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***Department of Public Service to Hold Public Hearings on the Final Draft of the 2018 Telecommunications Plan***

*Montpelier* - The Department of Public Service will hold public hearings to gather public input on the final draft of the 2018 Vermont Telecommunications Plan. The Plan addresses the major ongoing developments in the telecommunications industry, including broadband infrastructure development, regulatory policy and recommendations for future action. Public Comments will be considered prior to adopting the final plan.

The Department will hold five public hearings on the public comments draft of the Plan prior to adopting the final Plan. The hearings will be held as follows:

- Tuesday December 11th, at 6 p.m. at the Pavilion Auditorium at [109 State Street in Montpelier, VT](#)
- Wednesday December 12th, at 6 p.m. at the Catamount Arts Center in the Cabaret Room at [115 Eastern Avenue in St. Johnsbury, VT](#)
- Monday December 17th, at 6 p.m. at the Rutland Free Library in the Fox Room at [10 Court Street in Rutland, VT](#)
- Wednesday December 19th, at 6 p.m. at the Brooks Memorial Library at [224 Main Street in Brattleboro, VT](#)
- Thursday December 20<sup>th</sup>, at 2 p.m. at the John J. Zampieri State Office Building at [108 Cherry Street in Burlington, VT](#)

Copies of the draft plan and information about the comment period may be obtained from the Department of Public Service by visiting the [Department's webpage \(https://publicservice.vermont.gov/content/2018-telecommunications-plan\)](https://publicservice.vermont.gov/content/2018-telecommunications-plan) or by calling (802) 828-2811. Copies may also be requested by email sent to [psd.telecom@vermont.gov](mailto:psd.telecom@vermont.gov), or by writing to the Department of Public Service, 112 State Street Third Floor, Montpelier, VT 05620-2601. We welcome and encourage commentary on the Plan. Comments may also be submitted either electronically or by mail to the address above. A legislative hearing will also be scheduled, and the date will be announced. Please check the [Department's website](#) for updates and changes to the meeting schedule.

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