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EASTERN ONTARIO REGIONAL NETWORK

Welcome to the Eastern Ontario Regional Network (EORN) newsletter. Below you'll find an update on the Cell Gap Project as well as some other things we are commonly asked about. Please encourage others to [sign up](#) for the newsletter as well.

Improved cell service in eastern Ontario

The Eastern Ontario Regional Network (EORN), the Ontario Ministry of Infrastructure, Infrastructure Canada and Rogers Communications [announced that Rogers 5G mobile services are now available](#) in nine eastern Ontario communities, including four counties and one single-tier municipality.

Through nine new wireless sites and upgrades to 37 existing sites, Rogers 5G service is now available for the first time in the following underserved areas:

- Ontario County Highway 2 from Belleville to Shannonville
- Southern areas of Sandbanks Provincial Park
- Healey Falls to Campbellford South in Northumberland County
- Archer's Road to County Road 2 in Northumberland County
- Bridgenorth in Peterborough County
- Camp Kawartha in Peterborough County
- Glasgow Station to ON-17 in Renfrew County
- Demorestville in Prince Edward County
- Highway 7 in Maberly in Lanark County

Meet our new chair Pierre Leroux

Pierre Leroux has been a member of the EORN board of directors since 2020 and was elected chair at the new board's inaugural meeting in April. Pierre is a devoted family man, proud father of three young men, and husband of 25 years to Lynn. Since 2014, he has been serving as the mayor of Russell Township, driven by his passion for local government and community service. Pierre's commitment to his community is evident in his tireless efforts to bring a smile and positivity to people's lives. He often wears unique and colourful suits showcasing his vibrant personality and passion for making a difference. In addition to his community work, Pierre has a strong business background, having owned and operated a small business for almost two decades. He also holds a national-level certification in local government administration from Dalhousie University, demonstrating his dedication to excellence in his field.



2023 EORN board of directors

EORN has welcomed its 2023 board of directors with three returning members and six new members. The board is now made up of chair Pierre Leroux mayor of Russell Township and vice-chair Jennifer Murphy mayor of the Township of Bonnechere Valley, both of whom are Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus (EOWC) representatives. The other EOWC representatives on the new board are Liz Danielsen warden of Haliburton County, Nancy Peckford warden of United Counties of Leeds and Grenville and Carma Williams deputy mayor of Township of North Glengarry. The Eastern Ontario Mayors' Caucus (EOMC) representative is John Beddows mayor of

Gananoque and the public members are Carl Bickerdike, Brett Todd and Robert White.



The 2023 EORN board of directors. On the top left it is John Beddows alongside EORN CEO Jason St.Pierre. On the right top it is Nancy Peckford and on the Zoom screenshot below it is chair Pierre Leroux, Brett Todd, Carl Bickerdike, Robert White, vice-chair Jennifer Murphy and Carma Williams.

Equipment on the cell towers

Did you know that most towers in the Cell Gap Project will range in height from 60 meters to 90 meters? Antennas on these towers are approximately the height of a door and approximately the weight of a fridge, and they are generally attached to the tower structure before it is lifted in place by a crane. Upgrades to existing towers use the same antenna equipment. The Cell Gap Project radios immediately support both 4G and 5G and having both 4G and 5G capability allows for incremental capacity on

sites, and future-proofs today's network for tomorrow.



Resources

www.eorn.ca features a number of resources for municipalities and residents such as:

- [EORN backgrounder](#) (1 MB/PDF)
- [General information and FAQ on Cell Gap Project](#) (web page)
- [5G Technology Resource Guide](#) (15 MB/PDF)
- [Municipal Tower Siting Resource Guide](#) (10 MB/PDF).

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