



## **EAGLE-NET ALLIANCE SELECTS ZAYO TO EXPAND ITS NETWORK**

Expansion Adds 511 Miles of Fiber to Wyoming and Colorado Network

LOUISVILLE, Colo.– January 23, 2012 – Zayo Group announces today that [EAGLE-Net Alliance](#) has signed an agreement with Zayo expanding EAGLE-Net’s network capabilities in [Colorado and Wyoming](#). EAGLE-Net is a cost-sharing cooperative which provides commodity Internet and advanced education and research networks to Colorado school districts and other community anchor institutions. This expansion includes 511 miles of fiber connecting locations from Cheyenne, Wyoming, to Branson, Colorado, near the New Mexico border.

“EAGLE-Net’s selection of [Zayo](#) as the dark fiber provider for this project was done so after careful evaluation and a thorough RFP process,” states Randy Zila, CEO of EAGLE-Net. “Zayo’s network capabilities in Colorado and Wyoming provide the opportunity for us to reach our goal of connecting 72% of the 234 community anchor institutions throughout the state of Colorado by the end of August 2012.”

“Zayo provides network solutions for [K-12 and higher education](#) communities such as EAGLE-Net to support the growing bandwidth requirements of schools and universities,” states Steve Williams, Vice President for Zayo Central Region.

This agreement will help EAGLE-Net fulfill a significant part of the requirements of the \$100.6 million Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) grant that was awarded in September 2010 and is scheduled for completion in August 2013.

For more information on Zayo, visit [www.zayo.com](http://www.zayo.com).

### **About Zayo Group**

Based in Louisville, Colo., privately owned Zayo Group ([www.zayo.com](http://www.zayo.com)) is a national provider of fiber-based Bandwidth Infrastructure and network-neutral colocation and interconnection services. Zayo serves wireline and wireless carriers, data centers, Internet content and services companies, high bandwidth enterprises as well as federal, state and local government agencies. Zayo provides these services over regional, metro and fiber-to-the-tower networks. Zayo’s network assets include 44,000 route miles, covering 39 states plus Washington D.C. Additionally, Zayo has 4,500 buildings on-net, 450 Points-of-Presence (POPs), 2,100 cell towers on-net, and over 200,000 square feet of colocation space. Zayo was recently named one of the Denver-area’s Fastest Growing Private Companies by the Denver Business Journal.

### **About EAGLE-Net Alliance**

The EAGLE-Net Alliance (EAGLE-Net) is a Colorado intergovernmental entity which operates a cost-sharing cooperative that will deliver a carrier quality broadband network to more than 230 community anchor institutions. EAGLE-Net is building a sustainable network to better connect education, libraries, government and health care facilities statewide. EAGLE-Net also provides commodity Internet services with access to advanced research and education networks.

EAGLE-Net was awarded a Round-2 \$100.6 million Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) infrastructure grant in September 2010 from the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA), and will bring it to completion by August 2013. For more information, go to [www.co-eaglenet.net](http://www.co-eaglenet.net).

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