Subject: SWIFT Monthly Project Update - May 2021

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SWIFT Board Members and CAOs,

Please see the attached monthly project update for May 2021.



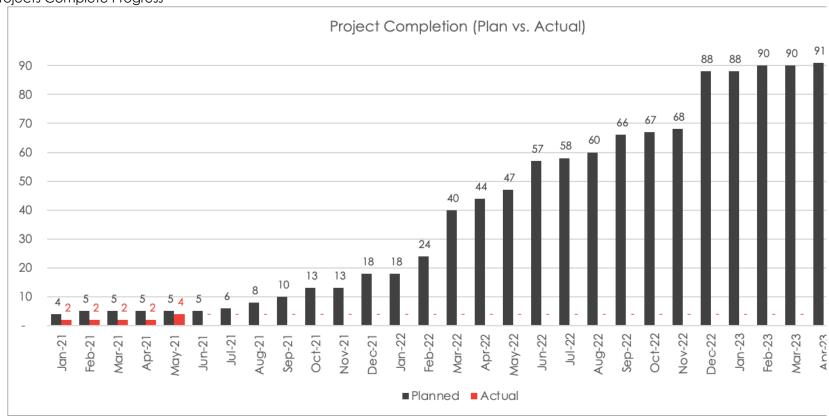
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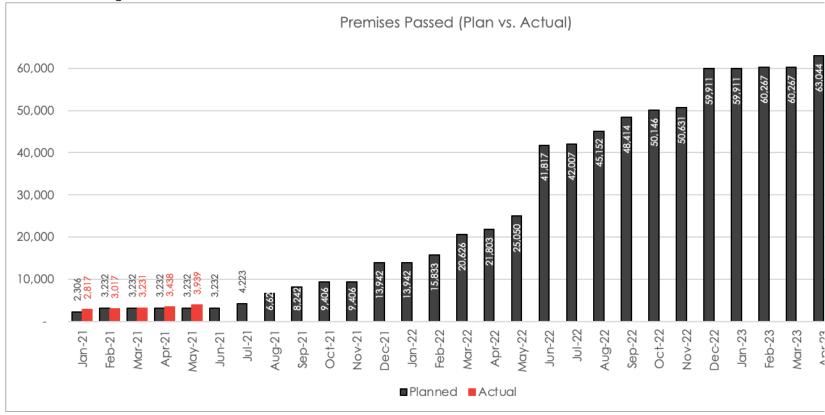
All report data is as at May 31, 2021

Status

- Procurement
 - All contracts executed (95), projects announced, and implementation underway.
- Implementation
 - Projects Complete Progress



- Net 1 project behind schedule
- Late (2)
 - LAM_09_EXEC (Kettle Point) No access to private community / Had to redesign to include new area / Construction complete, awaiting inspection and sign-off.
 - NOR_06_EXEC (Long Point) Significant delays due to environmental permits / Contingency plan in play to use microwave backhaul but will reduce prems passed / To be complete January 2022
- Early (1)
 - WEL_04_EHTEL (Ariss) Project completed ahead of schedule in January 2021
- Premises Passed Progress



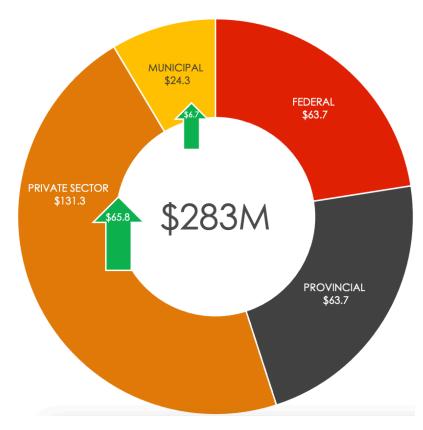
- Net 707 premises ahead of schedule
- Significant Construction Completion Delays
 - CHK_02_TEKS Construction delayed due to pending permits, major material delays, and Hydro One aerial pole permits for Wallaceburg, Tupperville, and Dresden.
 - CHK_03_TEKS Construction delayed due to major delays in material delivery and pending Gtel locates.
 - CHK_04_TEKS Construction delayed due to major delays in material delivery and pending Gtel locates.
 - ESX_17_TEKS Locates deferred until spring to a 103 private premises due to unavailability of owners. Construction complete will be delayed due to city construction on Haven Rd (unknown at this time when this will complete) impacting 22 premises.
 - ESX_18_TEKS Construction start delayed due to numerous revisions to the permits. Construction will be delayed due to more complex work in order to meet Lakeshore's request regarding vault placements, road crossings, and drawing layouts.
 - NOR_06_EXEC Environmental permits hindering progress.
- Implementation Metrics (see attached monthly report for details)

Metric	Complete	Total	% Complete	Change from Last Month
Contracts Executed	95	95	100%	0
Design Complete	47	95	49%	+9
Construction Started	36	95	37%	+11
Construction Complete	5	95	5%	0
In-Service	4	95	4%	+2
Premises Implemented	8,466	63,593	13%	+1,744
Premises Serviceable	3,939	63,593	6%	+747
KMs of Fibre	390	4,153	9%	+100

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Financial/Spending Update

- Private Sector contributions have increased by \$65.8M from budgeted amount.
- SWIFT+ contributions of \$6.7M received (Lambton County, Huron County and Dufferin County) in order to facilitate the award of an additional projects in those counties.
- Total project funding increased from \$210M to \$283M as a result.
- Note: Federal and Provincial contribution are 'up to' amounts and will depend on the results of the Phase 3 procurements.



Issues and Risks

- COVID-19
 - COVID-19 remains a risk for the SWIFT project
 - Need to keep an eye on potential supply chain issues.

Communications Update

- SWIFT has awarded 95 contracts totalling \$268 million in broadband infrastructure to bring high-speed internet access to more than 63,000 households and businesses across Southwestern Ontario by 2023.
- All awarded project details, including completion dates, can be found on SWIFT's website under the <u>Approved Projects</u> page.
- Residents that are interested in identifying if they are located in a SWIFT Funded project area are encouraged to visit our online interactive service map.
- Recent Announcements:
 - o SWIFT Broadband Projects Continue to Rollout in Bruce County
 - SWIFT Broadband Expansion Plans Now Underway in Oxford County
 - SWIFT Broadband Project Brings Greater Connectivity to Norfolk County
 - SWIFT Broadband Project Breaks Ground in Chatham-Kent

Regards,



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