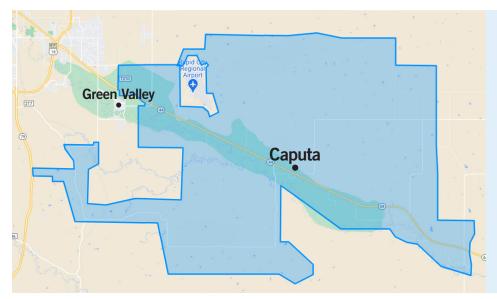
# Fast, reliable internet is coming your way!



## We look forward to serving you!

## Hello! Golden West is proud to serve the Caputa area with much-needed broadband internet service that is super fast and very reliable.

**Project Area** Construction will begin soon to bring advanced fiber-optic connectivity to the Caputa area. The project east of Rapid City runs along U.S. Highway 44 and extends from southwest of New Underwood to the east edge of Rapid Valley and south, with the Caputa community in the center. Adjacent to Golden West's New Underwood service area, the project will connect about 400 locations to much-needed broadband service, that is both fast and reliable.



• **250 Mbps** – **\$64.95** Best for email, browsing online, and streaming on one or two devices.

- **500 Mbps \$84.95** Best for streaming and connecting multiple devices.
- 1 Gig (Gbps) \$104.95 Best if you're a telecommuter, stream in high-definition, or are an avid gamer.
- No construction costs or installation fee if you request service by October 1, 2024.

After construction is complete later this year, fiber-optic connectivity will be available to all homes and businesses in the area shown in yellow above.

#### **About Construction**

Three contractors will work on behalf of Golden West to complete the project. They are:

- 1) CHR Solutions, from Mitchell, SD, will continue its work on easements, permits, and inspections.
- 2) MasTech North America, from Minnesota, will serve as the construction contractor and will begin burying cable in the ground May 13, weather permitting.
- 3) Golden West will serve as the wiring contractor and will handle all customer service throughout the

project. Please call us if you have questions at **1-855-888-7777** and ask for engineering. **NOTE:** Golden West issues every worker – employees and contractors – a Golden West badge with their name and photograph. For your safety, don't hesitate to ask to see it at any point during the project.

### Internet Service, Speeds, and Pricing

If you have preordered and the construction is complete, you can choose the speed that best suits your needs with no data limits or contracts. Important enhancements like Ultimate Wi-Fi and VIPRE Advanced Security will also be available to purchase.

#### Two Customer Appointments Needed

Golden West will schedule two appointments with you. At the first appointment early in the project, a Golden West field service technician will prepare your home or business for service. They will discuss the best placement for installing a clamshell or small box on the exterior of your home or business; this is



A clamshell must be hung on every home or business to get service.

the point to which the fiber-optic cable will be buried. The technician will also talk with you about any underground things on your property to avoid. At the second appointment towards the end of the months-long project, Golden West will connect your high-speed internet service.

#### Add Wi-Fi Options

With the growing options for smart devices, Wi-Fi is as important today as the internet connection itself. For optimum Wi-Fi coverage and support along with exceptional protection and control, Golden West recommends subscribers get Ultimate Wi-Fi for just \$11.00 per month.

At a minimum, Golden West strongly encourages you to take Managed Wi-Fi. For \$6.00 a month, Golden West leases you a router and provides Wi-Fi technical support. You won't have as much control over your network or as much protection from online threats, but Golden West will still help with any Wi-Fi connectivity issues you may encounter and will replace your router when necessary.

If you are very tech-savvy, you can use your own router from Golden West's list of tested devices. Visit **goldenwest.com/router** for more information and a list of tested routers.

#### When Will My Broadband Internet Service Become Active?

If you preorder service, you should have an active broadband connection by the end of 2024. Preordering can be done on the Golden West website; advanced payment of \$60 is not due until your service activation is scheduled.

When you preorder, you'll indicate whether you want residential or business service. You will also provide Golden West with all your preferred contact information, including contact name(s), physical address, mailing address, preferred email address(es), and preferred phone number(s) for both calling and texting. This will help Golden West and its contractors stay in touch with you throughout the months-long construction process.

### How do I preorder service?

To begin, visit goldenwest.com/caputa.

Enter your address to determine availability, select "High Speed Internet Service," and complete the contact form to start the process to receive service.

Scan to sign up today!





PO Box 411, Wall, SD 1-855-888-7777, option 3 goldenwest.com/caputa

#### Preorder service today!

Order soon to avoid construction and installation costs; advanced payment of \$60 is <u>not due</u> until your service activation is scheduled later this year or early next.

#### Phone & Cable TV Services

You will want to keep your current landline phone service as Golden West is not offering these services. If you rely on cell service, please contact us to discuss using your Wi-Fi to place calls.

You will also want to keep video or television service with your current provider as Golden West is not offering this service. However, if you do take Golden West broadband internet services, you can use your high-speed Golden West internet connection to use a streaming service instead.

#### **Can I Decline Golden West Service?**

Of course! Golden West will only bring infrastructure to you if you preorder service. There is a benefit to preordering service during the initial construction period as there will be no charge to bring the fiber-optic infrastructure to you then. Those who do not preorder service may be subject to construction costs and/or contract terms if they order service after the initial construction is complete.