



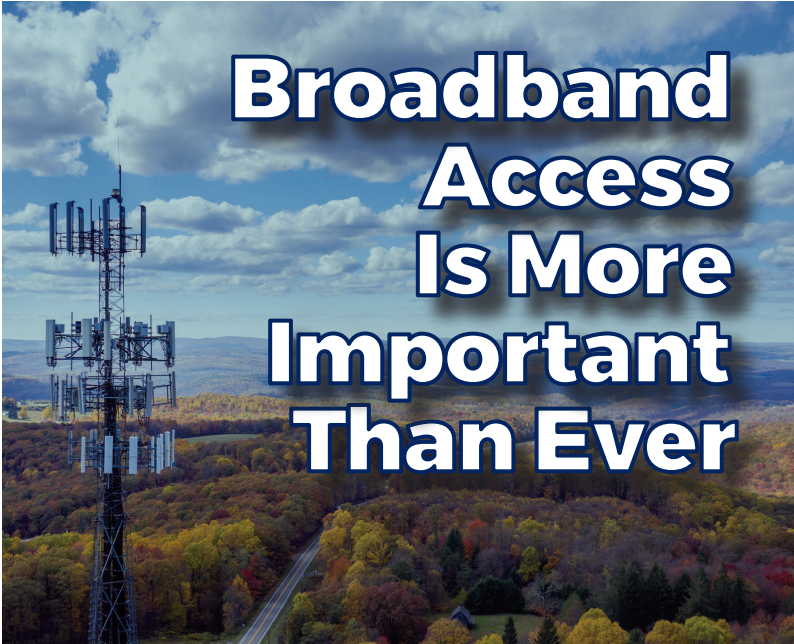
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# Broadband Access Is More Important Than Ever

The urgency and importance of improved broadband for the North Country is critical. If there's one thing the COVID-19 pandemic highlighted, the Mohawk Valley and North Country need a broadband boost. Our children have faced daily challenges of learning through spotty service at home. Our tourism industry relies so heavily on reliable and consistent internet. We must redouble our efforts to deliver meaningful broadband to our region:

- 📶 **Slash a tax to help expand broadband to all North Country residents** (A.4373)
- 📶 **Enact the “Wireless Broadband Eligible Facility Permitting Act” to provide municipalities the authority to regulate wireless companies** (A.896)
- 📶 **Protect residents from paying high costs by eliminating fees between utility companies and municipalities** (A.4197)
- 📶 **Tax credits for small businesses that invest in restructuring and investing in high-speed broadband**
- 📶 **Grants for collaboration between local and county governments that develop creative and cost-efficient ways to deliver high-speed broadband to residents**
- 📶 **Promote telecommuting for students and adults who have found increased productivity in the digital world**

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