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FRII WIRELESS MESH NETWORK STARTS TESTING

FORT COLLINS, CO—FRII and the City of Fort Collins have collaborated to bring the first and only Wireless Mesh Network to the local area. Downtown Fort Collins will go LIVE and Wire-free on July 25th but testing of the Wireless Mesh Network began last Monday. Over 20 Wireless Access Points have been installed on City light poles, buildings and other utility poles to create a seamless mesh network in downtown Fort Collins. “Wireless mesh networks are going to be an important communication medium for the future. It’s been an exciting journey to work with the City of Fort Collins in this manner and put up one of the first networks of its kind,” states Barry Eastman, Director of Special Projects at FRII.

Through mutual needs and desires to expand technology in the Fort Collins area, the City of Fort Collins has been working with FRII to deploy the first phase of Wireless Internet Access. The City had been working on the idea of Wireless for some time and “it made sense that we would start in Downtown,” said City Manager Darin Atteberry. “Downtown is already a hub of activity, and now it’s the first place in Northern Colorado to offer Wireless Internet. I’m pleased that we’ve been able to partner with FRII to deliver this exciting new service.”

As of Monday, July 9, FREE Wireless access from FRII was available to anyone in the mesh network area. FRII welcomes the traffic of those wandering on to the network because the testing phase is an important one in the process of delivering a quality product. “As techy people, we have been testing the product from every technical angle internally. But now it’s time to see what it does when we let it do its thing outside of our controlled environment. We need to see what people DO on this network, how they use it and what types of activities users will ask it to do,” adds Eastman of the testing period.

“In the twelve years we’ve been working to provide the highest in technology products, I’ve taken great pride in how involved we’ve been in our hometown community. But nothing compares to this experience of working side-by-side with the City to provide these capabilities that will contribute to making Fort Collins even more of a great place to live and work,” says FRII CEO, Bill Ward.

About FRII

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We are a trusted source for your custom-designed communication structure. We are constantly creating new and intelligent solutions to make your life easier. Voice, Data, Storage - we are your connectivity expert.

AND NOW, COMING THIS SUMMER TO FORT COLLINS, CO: WIRELESS INTERNET ACCESS!