



# The Baca Connection

Baca Valley Telephone Co., Inc. ♦ Sierra Communications, Inc.

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## Ask about Bundled Service!

Basic Residential Telephone Service

High Speed DSL

Voice Mail

Caller ID... Name and Number

Unlimited Local Calling (278 & 375)

Unlimited Long Distance

Available to BVT telephone customers with residential service

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## Baca Valley Awarded Stimulus Money...

*"Although high-quality broadband service is often considered a luxury item, it should be available to all. I am excited about these investments in New Mexico's broadband infrastructure, which is important to the economic development of our rural communities."*

New Mexico Senator Tom Udall

We are excited to announce that Baca Valley Telephone Company has been awarded federal stimulus funds to upgrade telephone and broadband Internet service in parts of Union and Colfax counties. This funding will allow Baca Valley to expand fiber optics to our customers in some outlying areas that have not benefited from previous system upgrades. Baca Valley Telephone was one of eleven companies across the nation selected for this funding.

According to Manager Paul Briesch, the project will replace outdated, deteriorating copper wire and low bandwidth microwave systems in some areas, while providing new connectivity in others. The project will enable advanced, high-speed DSL service throughout Baca Valley Telephone Company's service area.

"This broadband project will not only create construction jobs to upgrade the high-speed Internet network, but more important it will provide high-speed DSL service throughout the area," said USDA Rural Development State

Director Terry Brunner. "Bringing broadband to rural America is the right thing to do. By paving the way for our citizens who live in small communities, we open the doors for them to compete in a global 21st-century economy. The communication connectivity will open new opportunities not only for homes and businesses, but for community institutions such as health facilities, libraries, public buildings and community centers." ...continued

## Antivirus Soft... another Rogue Clone

A screen pops up telling you your computer is infected by viruses and spy-ware. A professional look makes you think it's legitimate, so you click on the link to purchase the "fix". Or you might even click on the X to close the window. Either way, your computer is most likely infected.

Antivirus Soft is another clone of previous rogue security programs. You can become infected

while visiting unknown and unreliable websites. It can also enter systems with the help of Trojan applications. All this is done without your knowledge. Once a system is infected the virus can be difficult to remove.

Antivirus Soft does not remove parasites...it is the parasite! Don't be fooled... always use reliable, up-to-date security programs and keep an eye out for rogue anti-virus, anti-spyware software.

## Password Update...

BVT's tech support team continues to work with our Internet customers to make sure all passwords meet the new criteria.

**New Password Criteria**  
at least 6 characters with 3 of the following:

- \* numbers
- \* uppercase letters
- \* lowercase letters
- \* and special characters such as !, @, #, \$, \*, [, (.

If your passwords have not been updated please call for assistance.

## New and Updated Directory Listings

### Des Moines

Baca Valley Telephone	278-2101
Bruton, Matt & Sarah	278-3270
Cornay, Jeff	278-3455
Feldman, Jerry & Roxann	278-2434
Keele, Travis	278-3122

### Maxwell

Baca Valley Telephone	375-2101
Dept. of Game and Fish	
District Officer	375-2033
Johnson, Janelle	375-2234
Mitchell, Dolores	375-2354
Rogers, Charles & Judy	375-2444

Clip and Keep



Directory information provided on our website  
[www.bacavalley.com](http://www.bacavalley.com) is updated monthly.

## Need to change your directory listing?

The delivery date for the 2010/2011 Las Vegas-Raton telephone directory is September 2010. If you are a Baca Valley *telephone* customer and need to make changes to your directory listing, please contact our office by June 1st, 2010.

## Don't go digging up trouble...



Know what's below.  
**Call before you dig.**

The federally mandated national "Call Before You Dig" number, 811, was created to help protect you from hitting underground utility lines while digging.

Every digging job requires a call - even yard projects. If you hit an underground utility line you can harm yourself or those around you, disrupt service to an entire neighborhood and be responsible for fines and repair costs. For more information visit: [www.call811.com](http://www.call811.com).

**Always Call 811 before you Dig!**

## BVT Awarded Stimulus Money *cont...*

An archaeology study must be completed along the route where the 90 to 100 miles of fiber-optic cable will be installed. General Manager Briesch said it will take several months to complete the work and plans to have services available to customers by the end of the year. "We're excited about this project and have started the engineering and design work," he said. "When the project is complete we will have locations where there is fiber to the house...a major technological advancement for our area."

"This is a significant investment in some of the smaller communities in our state that are not yet benefiting from full broadband access," U.S. Sen. Jeff Bingaman of New Mexico said. "It will provide the infrastructure needed to help students learn and small businesses grow."

BVT's subsidiary, Sierra Communications, offers Internet service in Raton. "Even though our Internet service in Raton is not part of the funding, we are working on plans for an upgrade we hope to implement in the near future that will benefit our customers in Raton," said Briesch.

Two New Mexico companies were selected for funding, Baca Valley and Western New Mexico Telephone Company of Silver City.



## Motorola Radios

Baca Valley Telephone is now a dealer for Motorola Radios.

*Call for more details...*



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