



Media Release

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nbn™ network arrives in Narrogin

More than 2,000 residents and businesses within Narrogin can now experience the benefits of fast broadband, following the recent switch on of the **nbn™** network in the area.

There is already a fixed wireless tower in the area, available for more than 500 premises to connect to the **nbn™** network.

nbn is gearing up to deliver its biggest year yet and aims to be almost 50 percent complete by 30 June 2017, meaning by the end of 2017 two out of three homes across the continent will be able to order an **nbn™** service.

State Corporate Affairs Manager, Ebony Aitken said:

"The roll out is gaining momentum in WA with more than 400,000 premises now able to access fast and reliable broadband. In fact, to date more than 70 per cent of **nbn's** rollout has happened in regional and rural areas.

"This is great news, especially as we're expected to spend an additional 22 more days on the internet this year than we did two years ago* according to a study **nbn** commissioned last year."

In 2015, **nbn** was being made available to 1,300 homes and businesses per week in WA. Last year that rate increased to more than 2,100 new properties a week and this year, it is forecast to reach around 5,500 premises every single week in WA.

"We're reaching a very significant turning point as we aim to finish the build by 2020 and become the first fully-connected continent in the world," she said.

Narrogin Shire, Chief Executive Officer, Aaron Cook said:

"The **nbn™** network is expected to have a large impact on the Narrogin business and residential community and we look forward to the positive economic and educational outcomes."

By 30 June 2017, **nbn** is targeting a total footprint of 5.4 million homes and businesses. The number of people able to connect will expand to 9 million homes by June 2018, with the end of the rollout then in sight.

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Making the switch is not automatic. Customers will need to speak to their preferred service supplier to connect to the **nbn™** network and will have 18 months before most existing landline phone and internet services are replaced by services over the **nbn™** network. They do not need to stay with their current provider, and can shop around to find an internet service provider that will best meet their individual needs.

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*Important to note that once new areas are able to connect, our first priority is to notify homes and businesses within the area. Our website will then be updated following this as it requires additional time before accurately reflecting the newly active status of an area.

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