**Charter Will Start $5B Rural Broadband Build This Year**

Charter Communications will start work this year on its $5 billion rural broadband project but will begin building the infrastructure in earnest in 2022, executive Chris Winfrey told a media conference. He added that the provider, which is getting $1.2 billion from the federal Rural Digital Opportunity Fund, expects to receive double-digit returns from the project.

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