

## **Workshop on Wireless and Broadband Infrastructure Development**

Thursday November 15 and Friday November 16, 2007

Marriott Courtyard, 475 Yonge Street, Toronto

Organized by the Community Wireless Infrastructure Research Project  
(a Peer Reviewed Research Study sponsored by Infrastructure Canada)

### **Proposed Agenda**

#### **Thursday November 15**

Morning:

- Introductions
- What is Public Infrastructure?
- Keynote Speaker: Bill St. Arnaud, CANARIE

Afternoon:

- Community Case Studies
- Municipal Case Studies
- Strategies for Developing Public Infrastructures

Dinner (location TBA)

#### **Friday November 16**

Morning:

- US and International Case Studies
- Policy Issues

Afternoon:

- Open Discussion:
  - Future directions for the development of public broadband infrastructures
  - Barriers and Challenges and how to overcome them

The workshop will end by 4 p.m. on Friday.

The workshop brings together developers of community and municipal wireless infrastructures, as well as academic researchers and policy makers. Our objective is to provide a forum to share experiences and expertise in infrastructure development, to identify challenges in broadband deployment and implementation, and to share ideas as to how to overcome barriers to public broadband infrastructure development.

Participants are coming from CANARIE, City of Fredericton, City of Toronto, Columbia University, Concordia University, Ethos Wireless Consulting, Île Sans Fil (Montreal), K-Net (Northern Ontario), Ontario Ministry of Government Services, Ottawa Gatineau Wi-Fi, New America Foundation (Wireless Future Program), Pennsylvania State University, Ryerson University, University of San Francisco, University of Toronto, Wireless Nomad, Wireless Toronto, and York University.