

Core Wildland Sites throughout the country. Core NEON sites will require permanent scientific monitoring equipment. A full proposal will detail what types and where such infrastructure is needed. Any infrastructure proposals will follow the guidelines adopted by this plan and additional compliance may be required. A separate NEPA analysis is currently being developed for this project.

Wireless Internet (WiFi)

This FONSI modifies Alternative C in regards to WiFi in lodging. In order to protect the experience expected at historic lodging locations, the availability of WiFi will not be approved at the Lake Hotel, Old Faithful Inn, the Roosevelt Lodge, Old Faithful Lodge, Lake Lodge or the Mammoth Hotel. WiFi will be limited in these areas, to the greatest extent possible, by limiting the approval of technologies under the park’s control in these areas. Where cell phone service is available, visitors with the appropriate technology (i.e., Blackberries, air cards) may still be able to access the Internet at these locations, but the NPS will not permit commercial WiFi services to be installed. WiFi could be approved at the Old Faithful Snow Lodge, Canyon Village, Grant Village, Lake Lodge cabins and Old Faithful Lodge cabins. The Table 1 below provides more specifics on locations.

The following rationale was developed to reach decisions on which park lodging could have WiFi service opportunities.

WiFi will not be approved if:

- the lodging structure is a National Historic Landmark (NHL).
- the lodging structure is likely to become a National Historic Landmark.
- in a lobby of historic lodging.
- most visitors are likely to expect a historic or rustic setting or experience.

WiFi could be approved in structures if:

- use of WiFi would have little potential to affect other visitors even if the building is historic.
- potential is low that WiFi signals could propagate into areas where WiFi signal was not desired.
- opportunities for WiFi in nearby locations were not available.

The table below lists buildings within developed areas of the park where WiFi coverage will not be approved, areas where WiFi coverage could be approved in the future, and a brief rationale for the determination. The WiFi service for areas listed in the second column of the table could be provided via commercial vendors approved to provide such service through park concessioners within Yellowstone National Park.

TABLE #1 - WiFi Locations for Yellowstone National Park	
WiFi will not be approved in these locations	WiFi could be approved in these locations
Canyon Village	
	Everywhere <i>(little effect to visitors; less expectation of an historic setting)</i>
Grant Village	
	Everywhere <i>(not historic)</i>