

The Intersection of Consumer Demands & Wireless Technology:

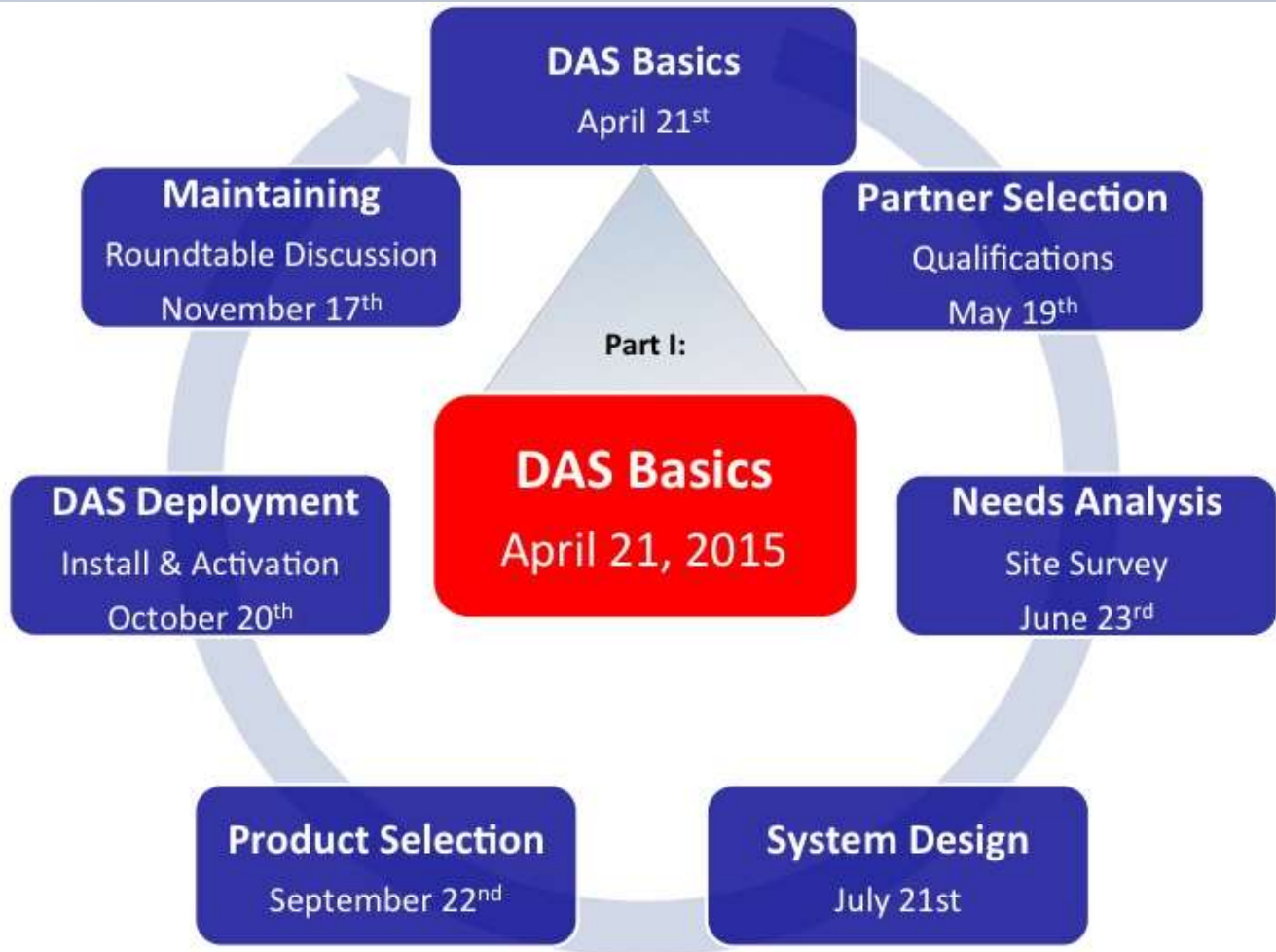
A Roadmap to the Lifecycle of a DAS Project



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Calendar of Events



Introduction to your Presenter

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Today's Agenda

- **Definition of Terms**
- **What is a DAS?**
- **Carrier Interface**
- **Components**
- **Considerations**

Common DAS Terms

- **IBW: In-building Wireless**
- **WSP: Wireless Service Provider (Carrier)**
- **HetNet: Heterogeneous Network**
- **DAS: Distributed Antenna System**
 - Cellular Enhancement
 - Radio Frequency Repeater System
 - Neutral Host: Multi Carrier
- **Technology: 2G, 3G, 4G/LTE, 5G**
- **RF Signal Sources**
 - Booster
 - Cellular Repeater
 - BDA (Bi-Directional Amplifier)
 - BTS = Base Transceiver Station
 - Small Cell

What is a DAS System?

A System that takes a Donor signal or a local Wireless Service Provider (WSP) Base Station signal and re-broadcasts it within the interior of the building while:

IBW SYSTEM

Enhances the signal to ensure it is dominant compared to the outdoor signal's)

Hand-off a call (both ways) transparently to the Outdoor / Macro network

Non impacting to the WSP's network

IBW SYSTEM

The subsystem

- Receives the Radio Frequency (RF) signals
- Consolidates all RF
- Transports them down a common infrastructure

DAS Applications

- Public Safety
- Land Mobile Radios
- Commercial (cell phones, tablets, etc.)

IBW SYSTEM

Signal Source Options:

Dedicated Cell Site

Off-Air Repeater

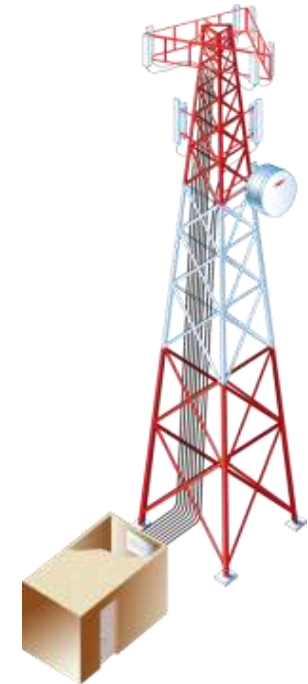
DAS Building Blocks

- **Wireless Carrier Interface**
 - Bring in wireless signal
- **Distribution System**
 - Distribute Wireless Signal

Wireless Carrier Interface



**Roof/Building mounted CellMax Donor Antenna:
Capture RF signal from WSP Tower**



Wireless Carrier Interface

Option 1: Repeater/Bi-Directional Amplifier

PURPOSE:

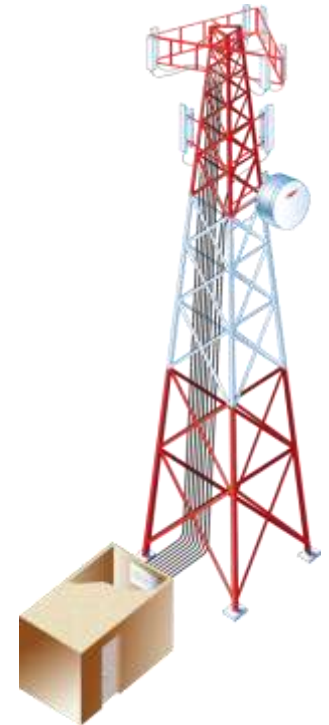
- Bring in wireless signal(s) from outside wireless network
- Feed distributed antenna system (DAS) with wireless signals to improve indoor wireless services
- Each Wireless Service Provider requires a dedicated Repeater



Wireless Carrier Interface

Option 2: Cellular Base Station

Base Station- Instead of using the nearby cell tower as a signal source, the wireless carriers may provide a base station on premise, which generates the RF signals. The base station is connected via T-1 lines back to the carriers MSO.



Wireless Carrier Interface

Who Decides?

Option 1
Repeater



Option 2
Base Station



Selection Criteria:

- Number of wireless subscribers
 - Can the outside macro-network support this additional traffic?
 - If Yes, then Option 1 is choice
 - If No, Option 2 is choice

Wireless Carrier Interface

Client Considerations

Option 1 Repeater



- Ambiance – Antennas on the roof
- Roof penetrations for cabling
- Available outside signal from each WSP

Option 2 Base Station

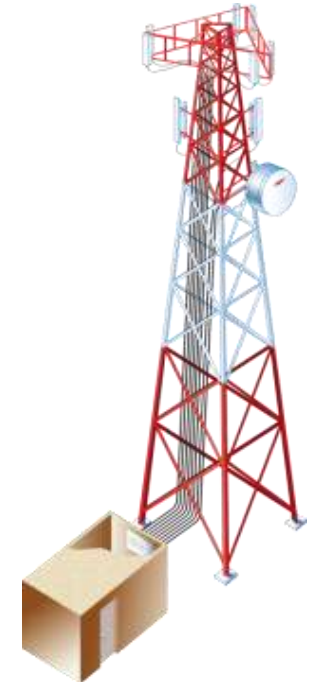


- Space available

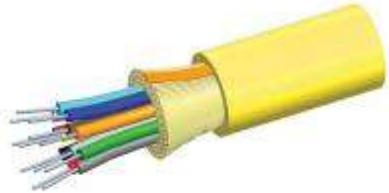
Distribution System



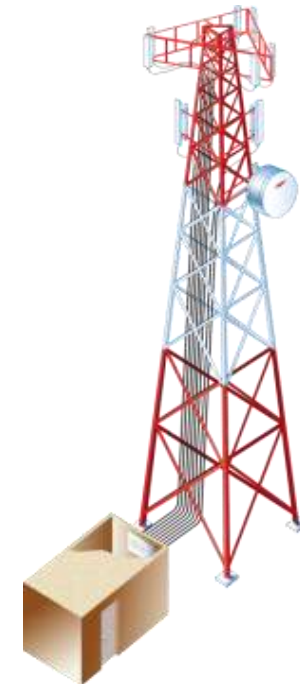
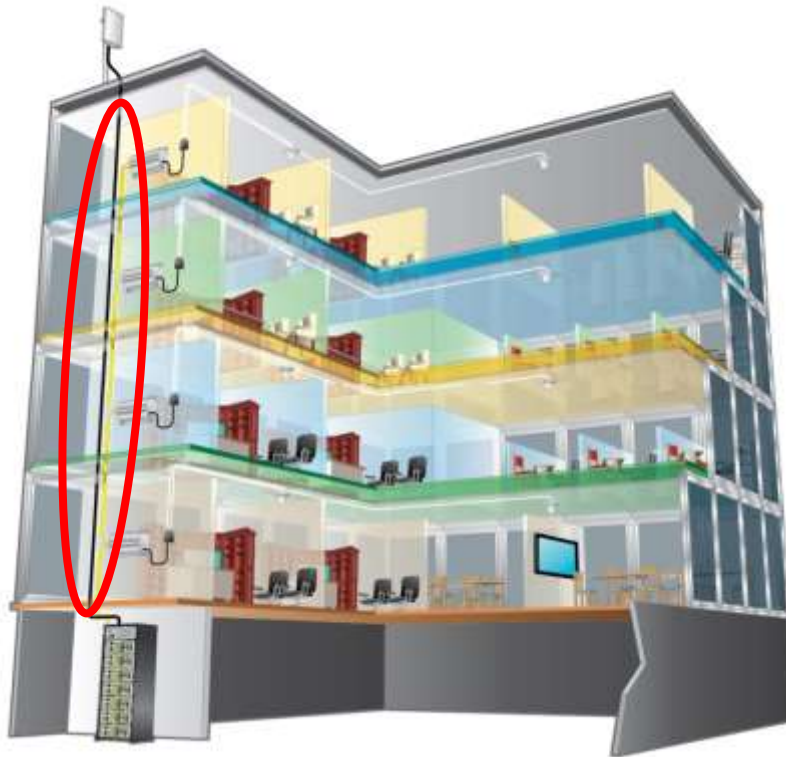
Fiber Head-End- converts the RF signal to Radio-over-fiber (RoF), which is then transmitted down single-mode fiber-optic cable to the fiber remote unit



Antenna System



Single-Mode or Multi-Mode Fiber- carries the converted RF signal to the fiber remote unit



Distributed Antenna System



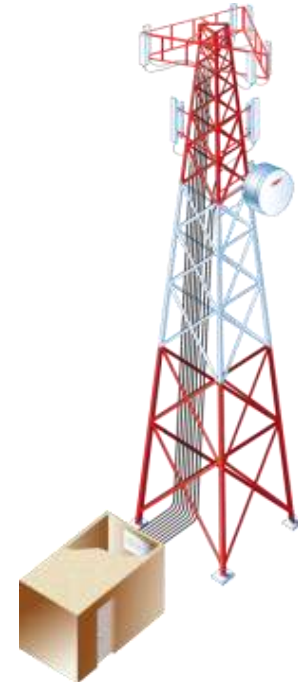
Remote Units- converts the RFoF transmission (Public Safety, Cellular, PCS, AWS and SMR) back to an RF signal



Antenna System



HELIAX 1/2" 50 Ohm cables carry the RF signal from the remote to the coverage antenna
CAT 6A cable carries the RF signal from the remote to the coverage antenna



Antenna Selection



CELLMAX-D-CPUSE
Directional



CELLMAX-O-CPUSE
Omni directional

Head End Equipment

Off-Air Signal Source

Fiber Optic Backbone

Remote Unit

Horizontal Cabling

Interior Antennas

Micro/Pico Cell

To/From Carrier(s)

Active Distributed Antenna System w/Optional Signal Sources



DAS Considerations

- Different than Wi-Fi which is **unlicensed** frequencies.
- The Wireless Service Providers own these frequencies – **licensed**.
- Use of these frequencies are...
 - Regulated by the FCC
 - Requires formal (explicit) approvals for use
- Failure to follow these “rules of engagement” may result in...
 - Possible legal action
 - System being turned off by the Wireless Carrier
 - It does not matter who PAYS for the DAS

For more Information regarding FCC Regulations

[:http://wireless.fcc.gov/signal-boosters/industrial-boosters/index.html](http://wireless.fcc.gov/signal-boosters/industrial-boosters/index.html)

DAS Considerations

- The System Design for the DAS must be approved by the Wireless Service Provider based upon their specific design requirements regarding:
 - **Defined Frequencies both present and future**
 - **Approved Products**
 - **Required Signal Strength (bars on phone) and quality of signal within the building to insure a positive caller experience**
 - **Dedicated RF Source**
 - **Acceptance Package For Approval**
 - Must be done in approved SW – iBwave
 - Design layout of components and cable paths on top of floor plans
 - Link Budget showing loss from RF Input throughout the system
 - Propagation Analysis of signal strength within the complex

Summary

- **There are different options when deploying a DAS solution:**
 - **Passive vs. Active**
- **There are two components to a DAS Deployment:**
 - **Carrier Interface (Bringing Signal In)**
 - **Distribution of the signal**
- **The Wireless Service Providers are stakeholders in the process regardless of who is paying for the solution.**
- **Licensed Frequencies require specific requirements for deployment.**
- **Who is responsible for the deployment of a DAS?**

Our Next Session

How to Select a Trusted DAS Partner: CommScope VAR Qualifications & Key Attributes of a Valued DAS Partner

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