Zuni Pueblo seeks advance services for telecommunications for the 21st century.

Zuni Pueblo is the farthest of the 19 pueblos located near the Arizona state line with a population of approximately 10,000 residents. There is an increased need to keep in contact with the outside world. Our lifeline is the telecommunication lines and systems that exist. However, the present lines and systems offered by our local telephone company are not capable of handling advanced forms of telecommunications. Therefore, Zuni Pueblo, the Zuni Service Unit Hospital, the Zuni Public School District, the Zuni Tribal Headquarters, and the residents request the Federal Communications Commission to assist us in receiving Advanced Telecommunication services.

Our agencies and residents request for advanced services in the following areas:
- Install telecommunication lines that have 256k bps or greater carrying capacity to accommodate LAN/WAN networks for internet/intranet connections.

- To accommodate tele-medicine and video tele-conferencing in the future.

- To accommodate direct Internet connections.

- Advanced phone systems that include voice mail and paging for offices, the school district and the hospital.

- Caller ID services.

- Enhanced 911 service that identifies caller information and location of resident, which would be very helpful for our elderly citizens.

- Overall improve service.

These are the areas that will improve and strengthen our communication lines within our pueblo and outside our reservation.