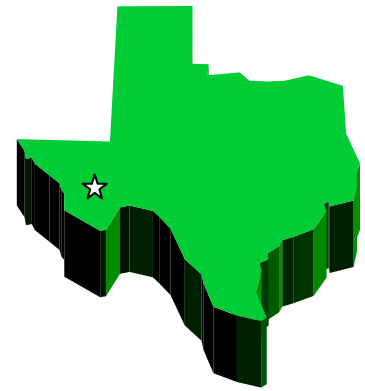


BIG BEND TELEPHONE COMPANY ALPINE, TEXAS



Historical Information:

- Big Bend Telephone Company was established in 1960 by Mr. Neville Haynes and is family owned. Big Bend Telephone is based in Alpine, Texas and presently provides 6,056 access lines in 14 exchanges, covering approximately 18,000 square miles and includes 8 counties.

Current Services:

- 562 route miles of toll fiber carrier
- All 14 exchanges have digital switches and by the end of the year will offer a full range of CLASS features throughout.
- Offer ADSL services to all exchanges in conjunction with local ISP's.

Advanced Services for the Future:

Big Bend Telephone is rapidly deploying several new technologies including Fiber to the Home.

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