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I think the government should use the sewerage and water drainage system as an existing infrastructure to lay down the FTTH network. This technique is already being used in the UK because adding new infrastructure is too expensive so they are using the existing one.

Australian broadband is ridiculously slow and expensive (fact) even the education is suffering from that, for example University of Wollongong offers its students a 100mb of download per SEMESTER. thats a 100mb for 6 months. How on earth can they expect students to even research using such a stupid limit?

The new network should be atleast the current highest speed of 24megabits per second and go upto 100megabits per second. The government to save costs can build caching systems for todays most accessed websites such as youtube etc because half the population watches the same video over and over again and it has to come direct from the USA which costs the ISP in data. More pipelines towards countries such as the USA and Japan which have a high-speed network would certainly help reduce costs.

I'm just an international student from Pakistan that wanted to express his opinion because a 3rd world country such as mine has better internet facilities than Australia. Flabbergasting.

Regards

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