



Lucas Valley Cable Announces Transition to Digital

With the FCC mandated changeover from analog to digital just a few months away, Lucas Valley Cable is preparing a phased transition which will require some channel changes to be made, similar to what is happening nationally with all cable companies. The silver lining is that we will now be offering many more local HD programs as well as national ones. Stay tuned Sports Fans, ESPN HD and Bay Area Sports Net HD will be here soon.

New “Community TV” Plan

One of the many benefits of being a member of the Lucas Valley Homeowner’s Association is free access to TV Channels 2–13, 98, and the FM band. That is possible because the community owns the cable and the resources necessary to bring you that programming.

We ran a special Internet survey last month which attracted 89 responses. The survey results (detailed at www.lucasvalley.net/survey1.html) confirmed the fact that homeowners are replacing regular analog TV sets with digital sets at a rapid pace and that the Community TV service needed to be revamped to include both analog and digital versions of the most important local TV broadcasts. To accommodate this, the LVHA TV and Internet Committee worked with us to finalize this plan, and we are pleased to announce the new lineup. There are no changes to the most popular analog channels (Ch. 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 11). Channels 3, 12, 13, and 98, however, will soon carry the high-definition versions of these popular analog channels plus one more (see Lineup on flip side). Cable boxes or cable TV subscriptions will not be necessary to receive this new digital programming and the present restriction that limits digital TV sets to a limited list of brands will no longer apply.

Expanded TV Changes

Our Expanded TV customers will experience similar changes. While the four optional analog premiums will remain the same, the other channels in the Channel 15 - 22 range will be moved upward and some other channels will be moved or dropped to make room for HD channels. The new channels will include the HDTV versions of five Sacramento stations and a few new San Francisco/San Jose stations. In total, that means that Expanded TV customers will be able to receive 20 local and Sacramento digital TV broadcasts comprising 43 program choices.

These changes will take place in phases, as shown in the table below. Updates will be posted on Ch. 23 and on the www.lucasvalley.net web site.

Phase	Approx. Date	Description
1	Dec. 20, 2008	The present programming on Channels 3, 12, 13, 98, 15, 17, and 21-22 will be removed. Expanded TV analog channel numbers will be adjusted to conform to the new interim lineup shown on the back of this page.
2	Dec. 27, 2008	New digital signals will be phased into the channels vacated in Phase 1.
3	Jan. 17, 2009	Old digital signals will be removed. Present digital TV set owners will need to repeat the auto-programming step for each digital TV before this date. This will make room for more digital programming (see below) which will be the subject of a future announcement and further revisions to the channel lineup.
4	Feb 17, 2009 (day of analog broadcasting shutdown)	Some broadcasters plan to move their digital signals to different channels on the day of the analog shutdown. Those channels will temporarily disappear until we can adjust our equipment to re-acquire these stations. <i>The analog versions of all channels will not be affected by this change.</i>
5	Fall of 2009	Some broadcasters will not operate at full power until late in 2009.

ADDITIONAL CHANGES TO THE EXPANDED TV PLAN AND HD DIGITAL PAKS

In addition to the above changes, we are in the process of planning the imminent addition of many national HD cable channels, HD cable boxes, and cable cards. Further information on these changes will be provided in a separate announcement included with December billing statements. We encourage you to participate in this planning process by responding to a new survey at www.lucasvalley.net/survey3.html.

LVHA Community TV (Part of LVHA dues)

Analog Cable Channels. Includes FM radio.

2 KTVU Fox, San Francisco 2	6 KBCW CW, San Francisco 44	9 KQED PBS, San Francisco 9
4 KRON San Francisco 4	7 KGO ABC, San Francisco 7	11 KNTV NBC, San Francisco 11
5 KPIX CBS, San Francisco 5	8 LVHA Community Bul. Board	12 KBCW CW, San Francisco 44

New Digital Cable Channels (For the new TVs with digital QAM tuners)

3.1 KTVUHD Fox, San Francisco 2	12.11 KGOHD ABC, San Francisco 7	13.11 KNTVHD NBC, San Francisco 11
3.2 KTVU LATV, San Francisco 2	12.12 KGO ABC, San Francisco 7	13.12 KNTV WxPlus
3.11 KRON San Francisco 4	12.13 KGO AccuWx	13.13 KNTV Universal Sports
3.12 KRONHD San Francisco 4	13.1 KQEDHD PBS, San Francisco 9	98.1 KOFYHD San Francisco 20
3.13 KRON Traffic cams	13.2 KTEH PBS, San Jose 54	98.2 KOFYHD Azteca
12.1 KPIXHD CBS, San Francisco 5	13.3 KQED PBS World	98.11 KBCWHD CW, San Francisco 44

Expanded TV (Lucas Valley Cable Subscription Service)

Analog Cable Channels

14 HBO W	41 Encore Mystery	63 FLIX (Movies) - East
16 SHO W Optional Analog	42 Classic Arts Showcase	64 Animal Channel
18 TMC W Premiums.	43 Fox News Channel	65 Weather Channel
20 HBO2 W	44 Cartoon Network	66 HBO Plus - West
23 LV Cable Updates	45 Boomerang	67 HBO Signature - West
24 AMC E	46 KFTY Santa Rosa 50	68 Comedy Central
25 Disney Channel - West	47 CNN	69 Fit TV
26 E! Entertainment TV	48 Headline News	70 Travel Channel
27 KRCB PBS, Ronhert Park 22	49 Oxygen W	71 Food Network
28 HBO Family West	50 CNBC (Finance)	72 Nickelodeon
29 Discovery Channel	51 MSNBC	73 Fine Living
30 Lifetime	52 WGN America	74 BBC America
31 VH1	53 C-SPAN	84 ESPN Classic
32 History Channel	54 C-SPAN II	85 Tennis Channel
33 TBS Superstation	55 FX - East	86 DIY Channel
34 TNT	56 ESPN (Sports)	87 Sci-Fi Channel W
35 A&E	57 ESPN2 (Sports)	88 Tru TV
36 USA Network West	58 ESPN News (Sports)	89 QVC Shopping
37 Home and Garden TV	59 Comcast SportsNet BA	90 MTV E
38 Bravo W	60 Sundance Channel	91 Comcast SpNet BA +
39 Encore W	61 TV Land	92 ABC Family
40 The Learning Channel	62 Hallmark	93 KOFY San Francisco 20

Present ATSC Digital Cable Channels (will be replaced by new digital channels. See above and below.)

4.1 KRON San Francisco 4	9.1 KQEDHD PBS, San Francisco 9	13.1 KOVRHD CBS Sacr. 13
4.2 KRONHD San Francisco 4	9.2 KTEH PBS, San Jose 54	20.1 KOFYHD San Francisco 20
5.1 KPIXHD CBS, San Francisco 5	9.3 KQED PBS World	20.2 KOFY Azteca
7.1 KGOHD ABC, San Francisco 7	11.1 KNTVHD NBC, San Francisco 11	40.1 KTXLHD Fox Sacr 40
7.2 KGO ABC, San Francisco 7	11.2 KNTV WxPlus	44.1 KBCWHD CW, San Francisco 44
7.3 KGO AccuWx	11.3 KNTV Universal Sports	

New Digital Cable Channels (For new TVs with digital QAM tuners)

15.1 KRCB PBS, Rohn Park 22*	17.5 KTEH V-me	21.2 KVIE PBS
15.2 KRCB PBS, Rohn Park 22*	17.11 KDTV San Francisco 14	21.3 KVIE V-me
15.3 KRCB PBS, Rohn Park 22*	19.1 KKPX San Francisco 65	21.11 KXTVHD ABC Sacr 10
15.11 KICUHD San Jose 36	19.2 KKPX Qubo	21.12 KXTV ABC AccuWx
15.12 KICU Korean	19.3 KKPX Ion Life	22.1 KOVRHD CBS Sacr. 13
17.1 KTEH PBS, San Jose 54	19.4 KKPX Worship	22.11 KTXLHD Fox Sacr 40
17.2 KTEH KQED SD	19.11 KCRAHD Sacramento 3	22.12 KTXL LATV
17.3 KTEH PBS Life	19.12 KCRA NBC Wx Plus	
17.4 KTEH PBS Kids	21.1 KVIEHD Sacramento 6	

*Tentative.