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The Hidden Truth About Hybrid WANs

The segregation of MPLS circuits and public broadband links in enterprise networks is traditional practice, but one that is highly inefficient. In the age of cloud computing and real-time applications like VoIP and video that require tremendous bandwidth and traffic prioritization, businesses need more out of their WANs.

How can the enterprise WAN evolve to better utilize bandwidth across all links? It all starts with the hybrid WAN. Here are the secrets of the hybrid WAN: a primer on what it is, how it can be used by businesses and what benefits you can expect from it.

What is a hybrid WAN?

Simply defined, a hybrid WAN consists of an MPLS link and one or more broadband links on the same network. By making all of these circuits active, the hybrid WAN can draw upon an aggregated pool of bandwidth at all times. With this central resource in place,...

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An SD-WAN Can Mean Life or Death For Emergency Services Organizations

In recent years, emergency services organizations including Public Safety Answer Points (PSAPs) have started making the transition away from legacy telephony infrastructures, toward architectures that support VoIP and video and integrate their data and voice networks. This technological overhaul presents unique challenges, given the stakes and particular requirements of operating an E-911 or 999 network:

- For starters, 911/999 calls are often matters of life and death. Even brief periods of downtime or subtle degradations in network quality are unacceptable when responding to calls that require immediate action.
- Hard failure of the network can result in dropped calls, as well as disrupted traffic in the control channel. Soft failure can lead to packet loss and latency that degrades the quality of voice traffic.
- In the U.S., the Federal Communications Commission's Network Reliability and Interoperability Council requires any "Emergency Service Network" to be resilient against such failures. Its guidelines mandate that no single failure or interruption cause a complete system outage.

Transitioning to Voice over IP over the Wide Area Network (WAN) gives first responders a broader, richer set of tools for handling emergencies in record time. However, realizing benefits such as crystal-clear call quality via a VoIP connection requires careful implementation to mitigate associated risks.

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Take The Frustration Out of VOIP

VoIP makes it easier to communicate and collaborate—and at a lower cost than legacy business phone systems. But if phone calls and video sessions are choppy and distorted because of network performance problems or outright WAN failures—the price you're paying is too great.

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