

ROCKDALE-WEST MIDDLETON TRANSMISSION LINE PROJECT

American Transmission Co. began a comprehensive public outreach campaign for the Rockdale-West Middleton Transmission Line Project in 2004. The need for the project was identified several years earlier as utility planners observed the tremendous growth in Dane County and the steady increase in the use of electricity. At the time, the county was served by a network of 69-kilovolt and 138-kV electric transmission lines, some of which were loaded to near maximum capacity.

While improvements to the system have been made in recent years, this 345-kV project will strengthen the Dane County transmission system and help ensure reliable electricity for the region.

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT AND REGULATORY REVIEW PROCESS

ATC has a practice of engaging the public and other interested stakeholders in its proposed transmission line projects as a way to identify possible routes far in advance of filing a regulatory application with the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin.

After more than five years of public involvement and regulatory review, the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin approved the project and ordered a route in June 2009. The PSC conducted a comprehensive review and evaluation, including a study of the project need, and held technical and public hearings.

To learn more about the PSC's comprehensive review of this project, visit www.psc.wi.gov and enter Docket ID 137-CE-147.

PROJECT AT-A-GLANCE

Estimated project cost: \$219 million

Areas benefited: Dane County and southern Wisconsin

Length of line: Approximately 32 miles

Voltage: 345,000 volts

End points: The western end point of the line will be the Cardinal Substation, adjacent to the current West Middleton Substation in the Town of Middleton. The eastern end point of the line will be the Rockdale Substation located in the Town of Christiana.

Pole types: Pole types will consist of 100- to 110-foot steel monopoles along the majority of the route, with galvanized H-frame structures across the Yahara Wetlands and Y-shaped structures near the UW Arboretum. All structures will be galvanized steel.

ANTICIPATED PROJECT SCHEDULE

Public outreach	2004-2007
Submitted application to the PSC	October 2007
Project approved and route ordered by PSC	June 2009
Segment A construction work begins	August 2011
Segment B construction work begins	October 2011
Segment C construction work begins	Winter 2011
Segment D construction work begins	Spring 2012
In-service date	Early 2013

Pre-construction open houses will be held prior to work starting on construction segments.

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