Elisha Project

Great River Energy, wholesale electric supplier to Itasca-Mantrap Cooperative Electrical Association, proposes to construct a new 34.5-kV transmission line and 115/34.5-kV bulk substation in Becker and Hubbard counties. This project will improve the reliability of the transmission system in the area by looping the 34.5-kV system and reduce risks associated with low voltage and transmission line overloading.

Overview

The Elisha Project has three project components, all of which are needed to complete the overall project (see map on back for proposed route).

- A 115-kV two-mile transmission line will extend from Itasca-Mantrap’s existing Potato Lake substation to the new proposed “Elisha” 34.5/115-kV transmission substation.
- The Elisha transmission substation located in Section 20 of Arago Township that will transform the voltage from 115 kV to 34.5 kV, along with improving the area’s transmission system.
- An approximate 12-mile, 34.5-kV transmission line will extend from the proposed Elisha substation to Itasca-Mantrap’s existing Pine Point substation. The Pine Point substation is located on the northwest corner of Becker County Roads 44 and 58.

Permitting and public involvement

An environmental review will be conducted for the project, requesting comments from federal, state and local agencies. The 115-kV transmission line and bulk substation will obtain the necessary permit approval prior to construction. A conditional use permit is not required for the 34.5-kV portions of the project.

Landowner contact/easement acquisition

A Great River Energy representative will contact and meet with landowners, who will have a proposed easement on their property, to provide project details and to present an easement offer.

Schedule

| Notifications | Summer 2018 |
| Survey/design | Fall 2018 |
| Easements and obtain permits | Fall 2018 – Summer 2019 |
| Transmission line construction | Spring 2020 – Summer 2021 |
| Energization | Spring 2021 |

Quick facts

- Length – 14 miles
- Voltage – 34.5 kV and 115 kV
- Structures – Primarily wood poles
- Spans – 300 to 400 feet apart
- Right of way – Generally 100-foot-wide right of way in most areas, which may overlap with road right of way in some areas

Project representatives

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Proposed project

About Great River Energy

Great River Energy is a not-for-profit wholesale electric power cooperative which provides electricity to 28 member-owner distribution cooperatives. Together, our systems provide power to approximately two-thirds of Minnesota geographically and parts of Wisconsin, serving 700,000 families, farms and businesses.