

WELCOME TO OUR OPEN HOUSE

We're here not just to explain the project but also to listen and answer your questions. In order to make the most informed decisions possible, SWEPCO needs and welcomes your involvement.

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:

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Sign in at the check-in table

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Visit each station for information on:

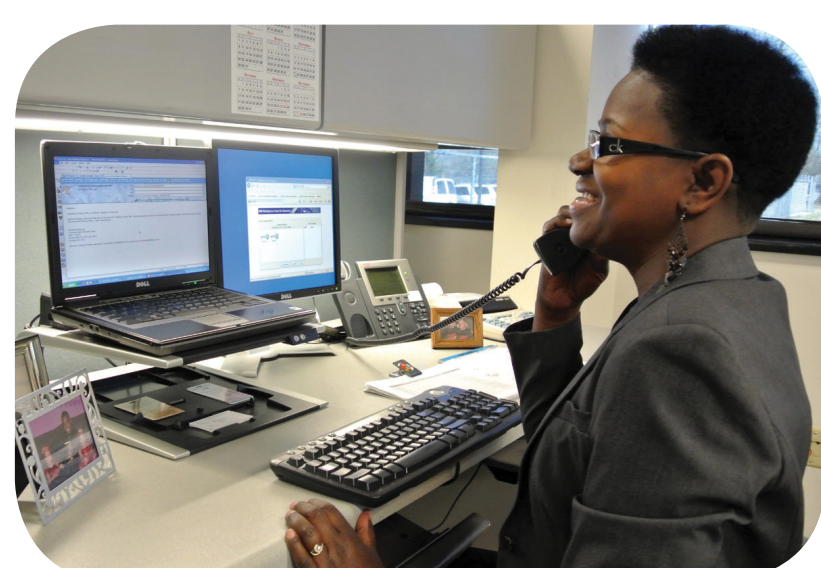
- PROJECT NEED & BENEFITS
- PROJECT MAP
- ENGINEERING
- RIGHT-OF-WAY

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Write down your questions and input on the comment card

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Return your comment card



VAN ZANDT COUNTY

TRANSMISSION IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT



[PROJECT NEED AND BENEFITS]

WHY IS SWEPCO PLANNING THIS PROJECT?

SWEPCO has agreed to construct, own, operate and maintain a new transmission line that replaces infrastructure currently owned by the Rayburn County Electric Cooperative. RCEC plans to remove this infrastructure as part of its exit from the Southwest Power Pool, a regional transmission organization.

Why is the project important to our community?

IMPROVED RELIABILITY

Improving and upgrading the area's electric transmission grid is necessary to ensure continued and improved reliability to residential, commercial and industrial electricity customers.

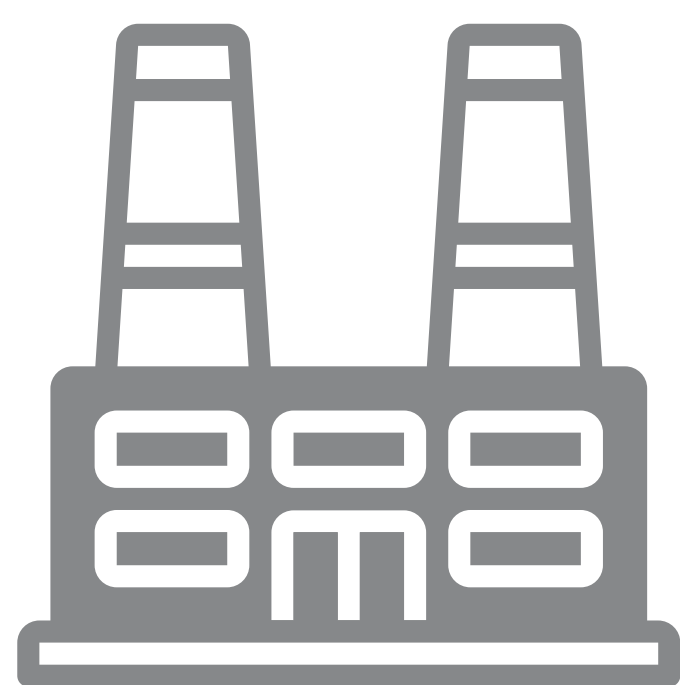
CUSTOMER BENEFITS

When electricity demand increases due to seasonal and extreme weather conditions, this investment will provide a robust electrical system designed to minimize the risk of a power outage.

MEETING FUTURE NEEDS

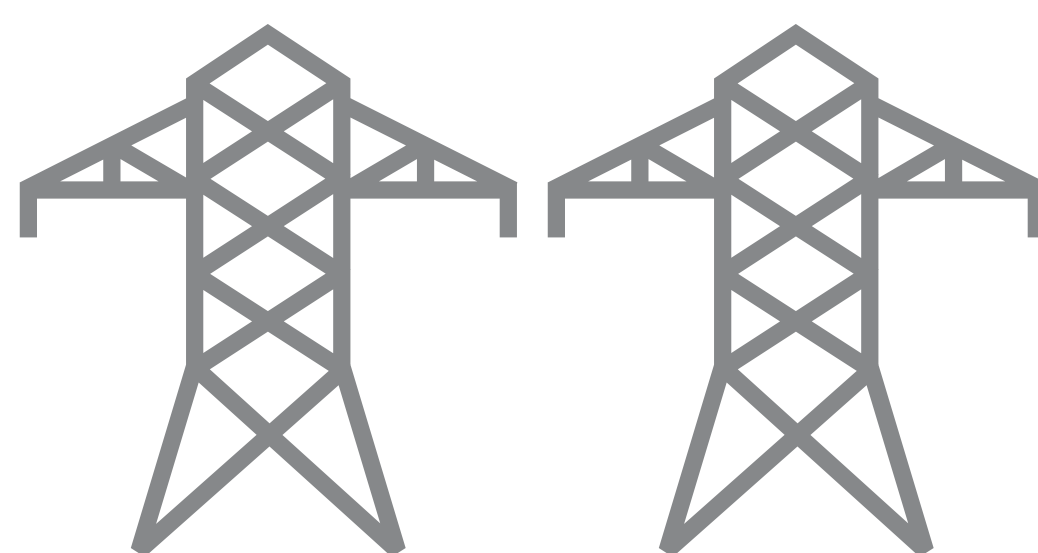
The system needs to be upgraded in order to meet the future demand of the area's projected economic development and population growth. SWEPCO is committed to serving its customers in Van Zandt County by investing in a reliable and resilient electric grid maintained to attract new businesses and support expansion of existing businesses.

HOW THE SYSTEM WORKS



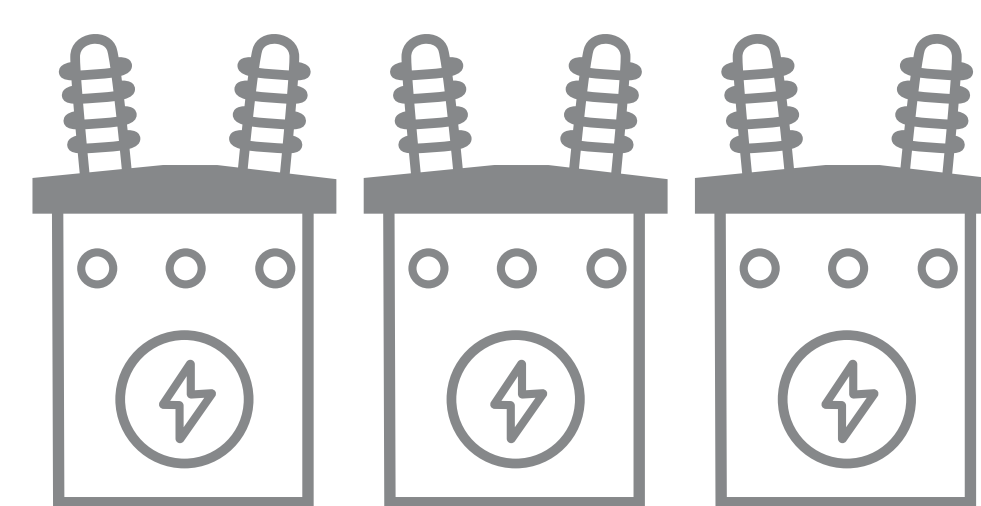
1) GENERATION STATIONS

SWEPCO produces electricity at coal, natural gas, and wind power stations and then transports it long distances over transmission lines.



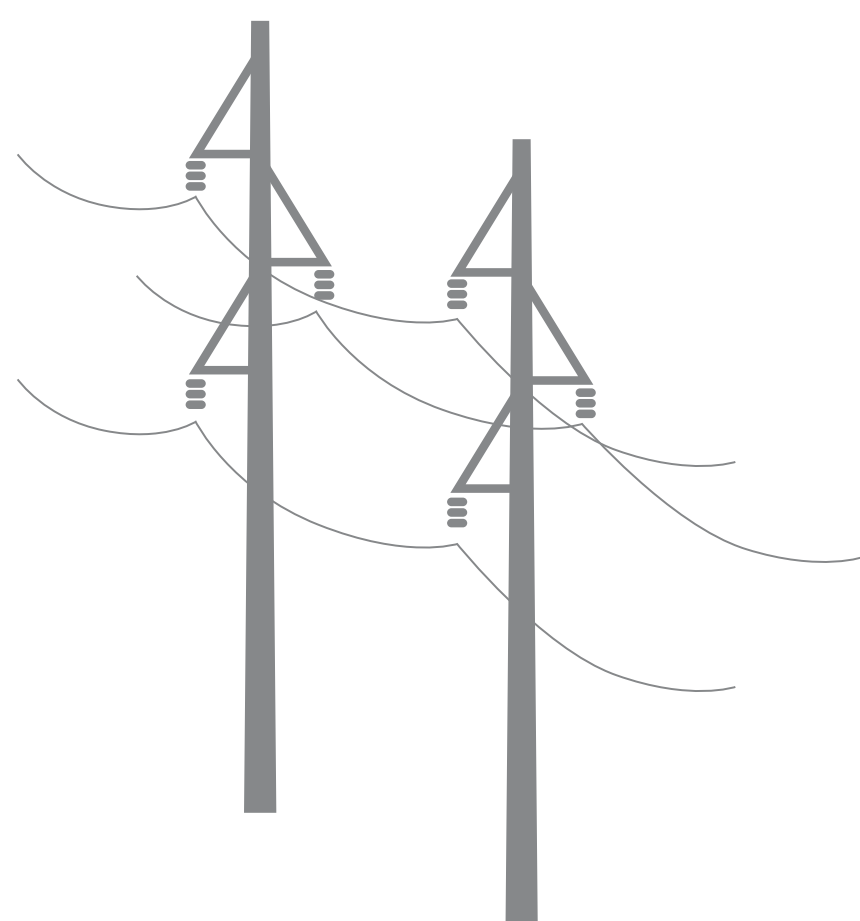
2) EHV TRANSMISSION

Extra-High Voltage (EHV) electric transmission lines are generally 345-kilovolt (kV) on SWEPCO's system.



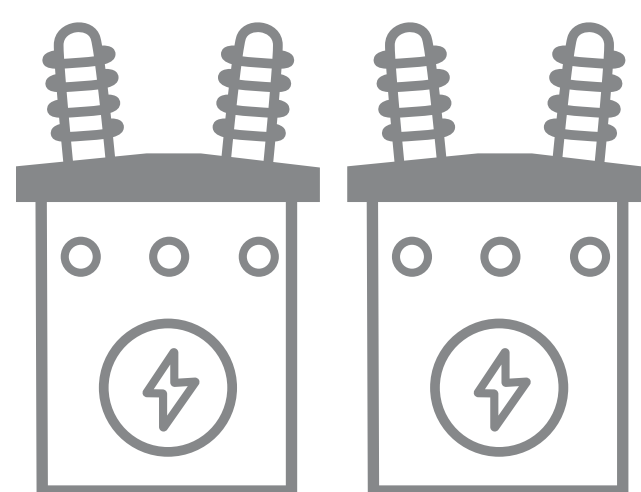
3) SUBSTATIONS

Substations direct the flow of electricity and either decrease or increase voltage levels for transport.



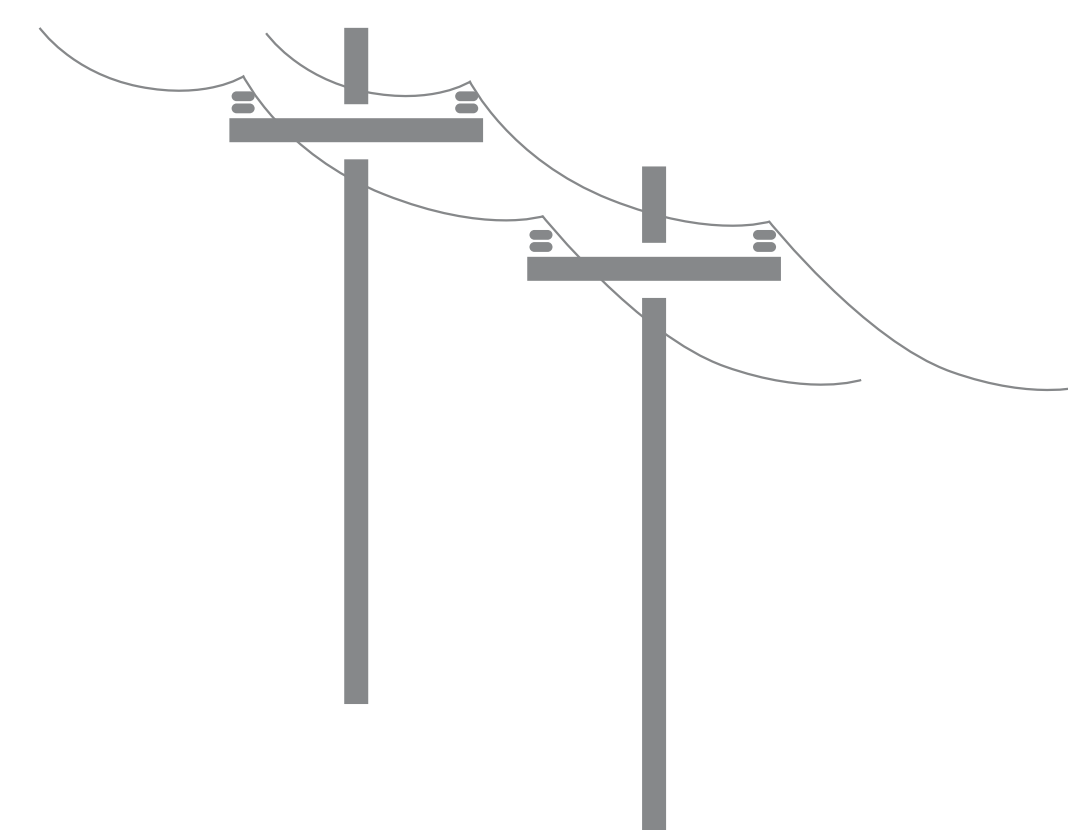
4) LOCAL TRANSMISSION

SWEPCO typically uses 69-kV, 138-kV and 161-kV transmission lines to move power shorter distances -for example, to different parts of a city or county.



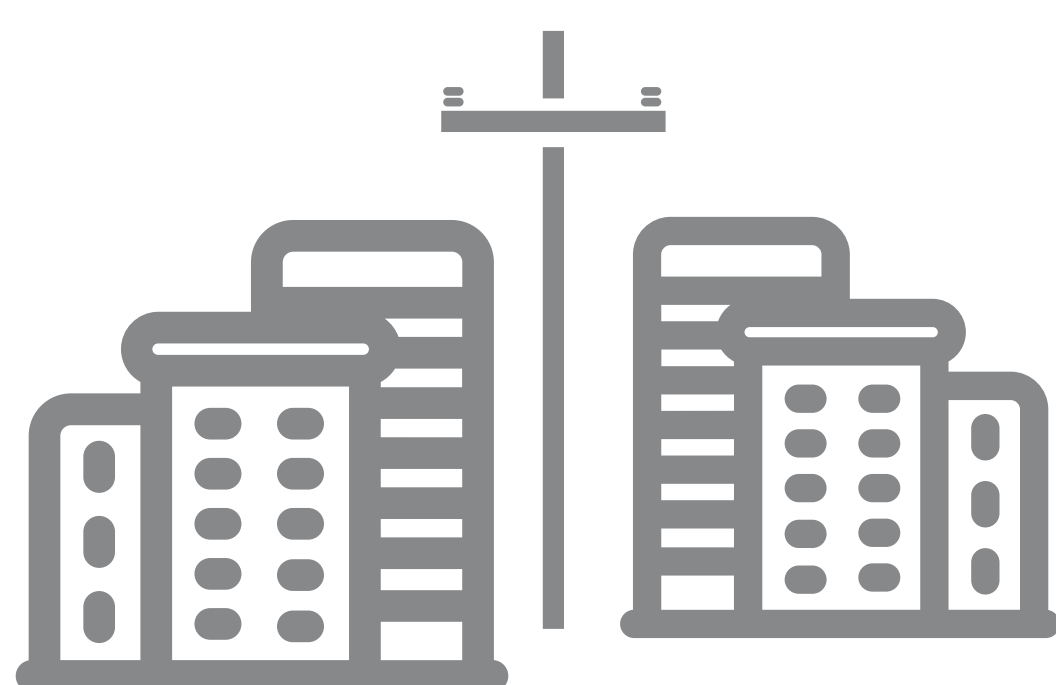
5) SUBSTATION

Substations transform 69-kV and 138-kV electricity into lower distribution level voltages such as 34.5 kV, 12 kV, or 7.2 kV.



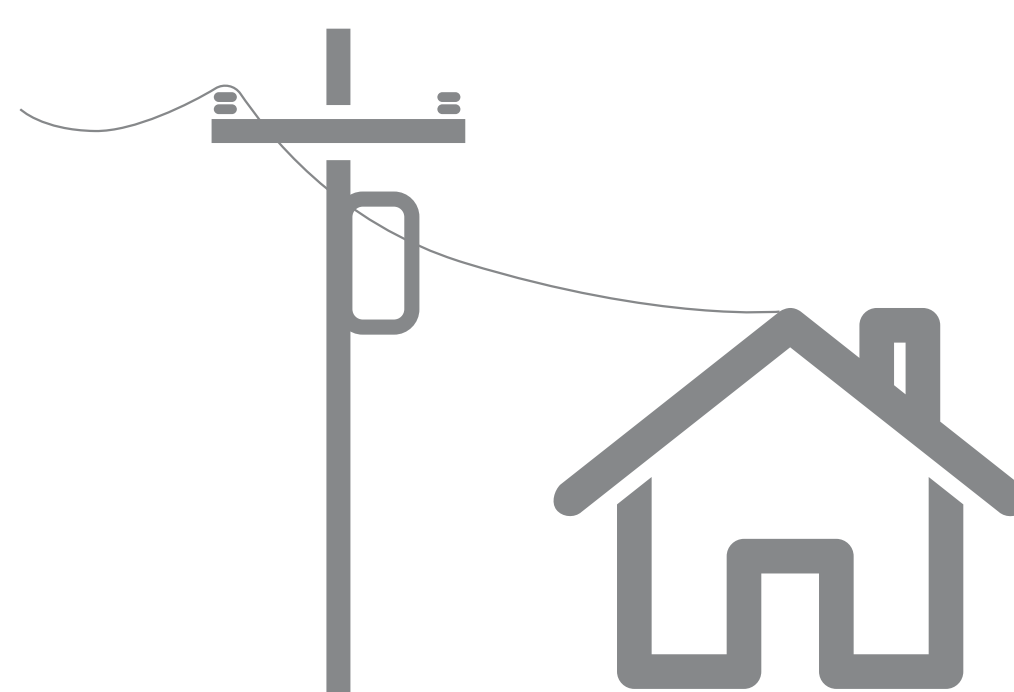
6) PRIMARY DISTRIBUTION

These main lines (also called circuits) connect substations to large parts of the community.



7) LATERAL DISTRIBUTION

These smaller capacity lines deliver electricity to neighborhoods and other smaller groups of customers.



8) INDIVIDUAL SERVICE

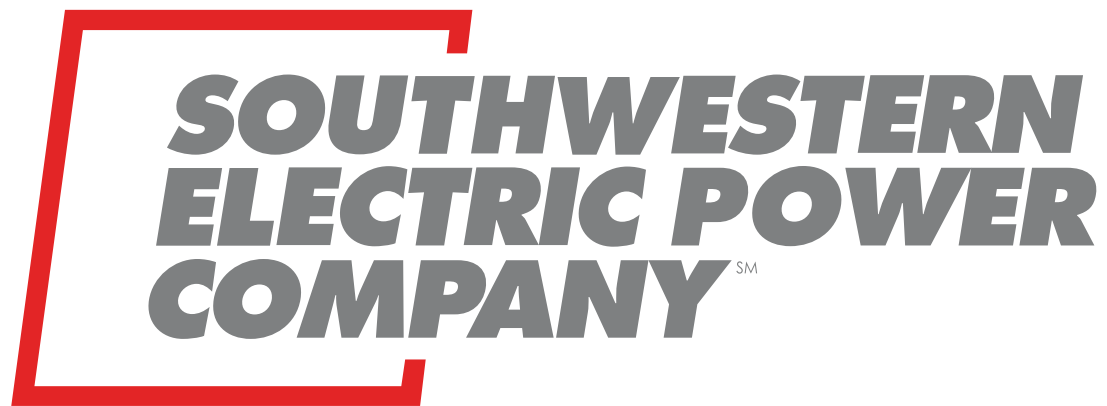
Smaller transformers step down voltage to levels customers can use 120/240 volts is typical for an individual residence.

TO USE AN ANALOGY, ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION IS SIMILAR TO OUR NATIONAL ROAD SYSTEM. THREE KINDS OF POWER LINES EXIST BETWEEN POWER PLANTS AND HOMES AND BUSINESSES:

- Extra High Voltage lines (EHV) are like electrical interstate highways.
- High voltage local transmission lines are like four-lane roads.
- Distribution lines are like two-lane roads that eventually connect to your driveway.

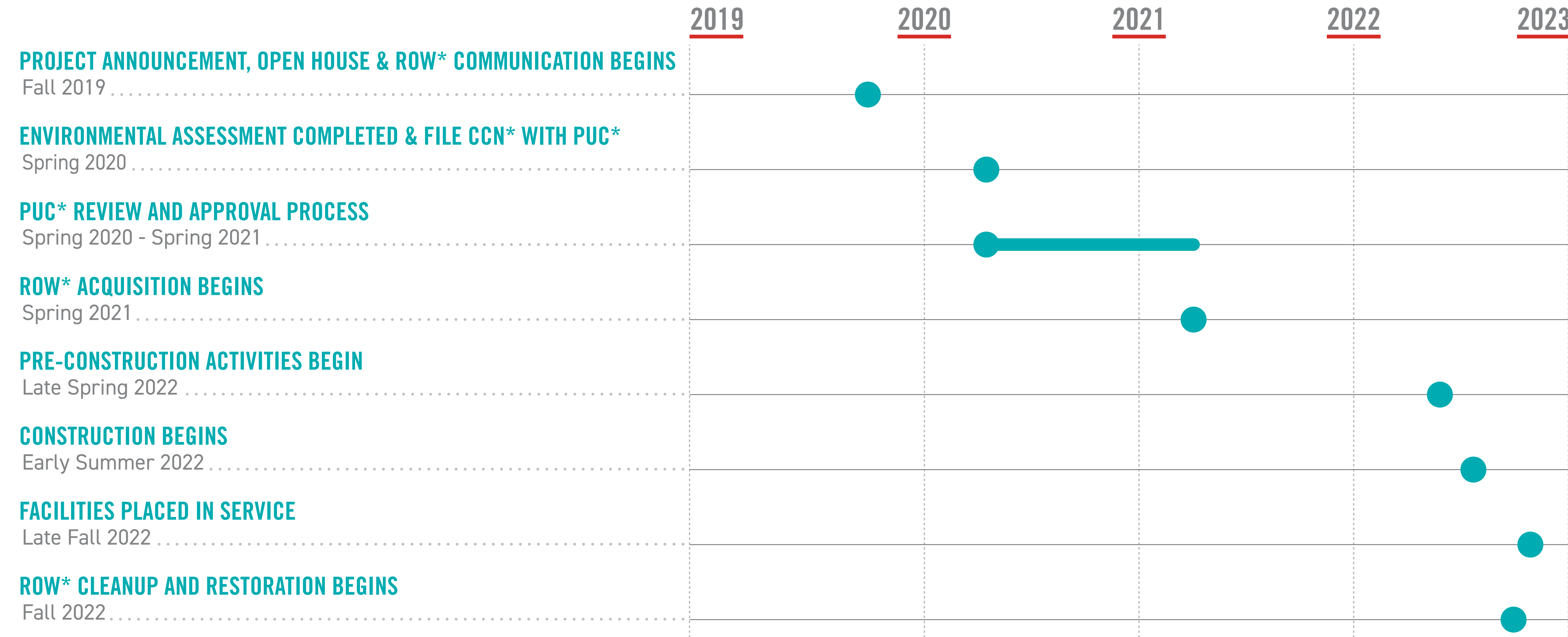
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[PROJECT SCHEDULE]

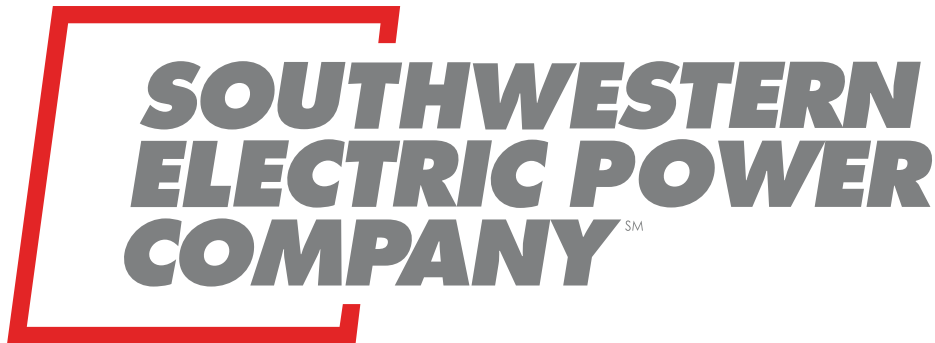


*ROW: Right-of-Way; PUC: Public Utilities Commission of Texas; CCN: Certificate of Convenience and Necessity

*Timeline subject to change.

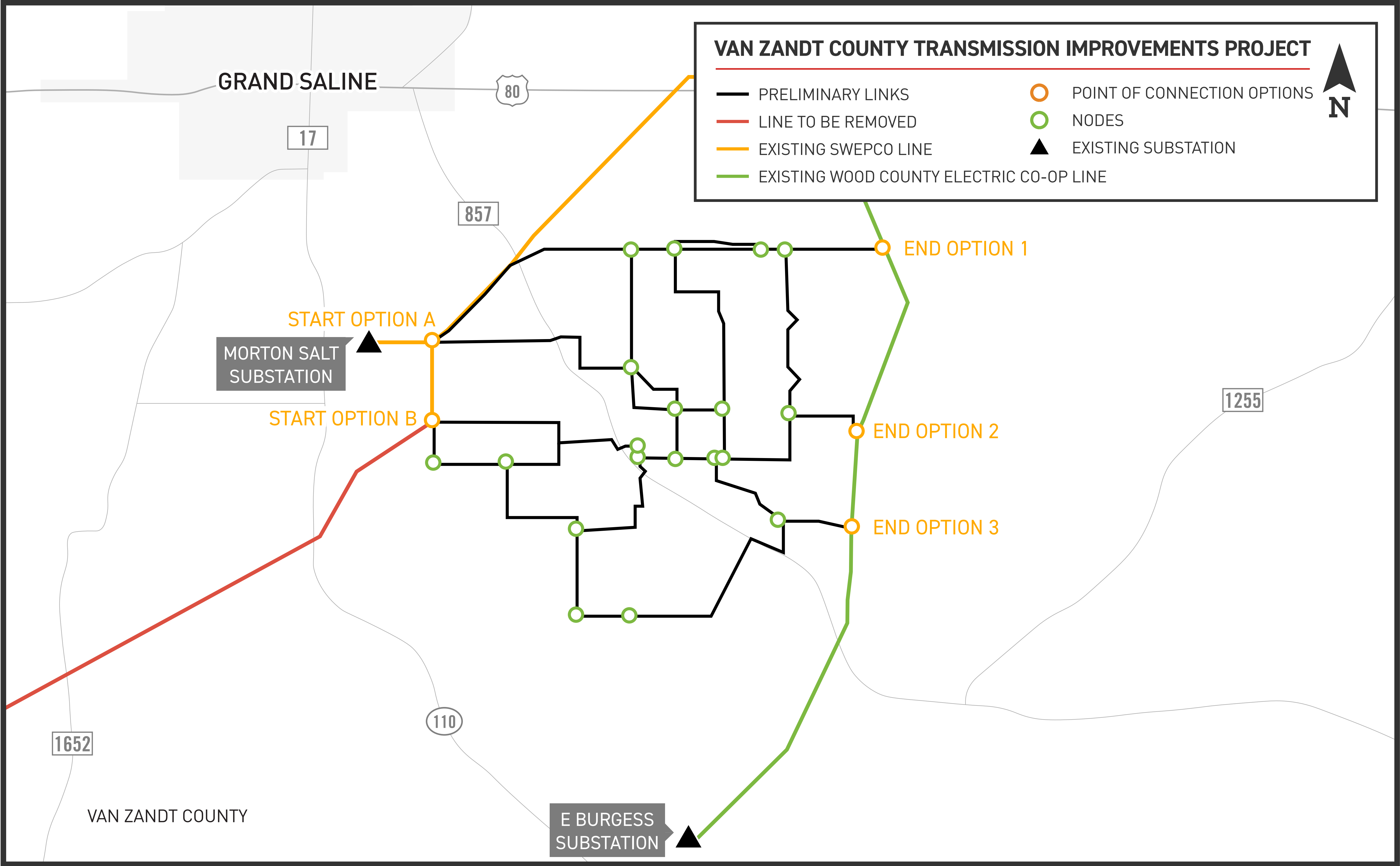
VAN ZANDT COUNTY AREA

TRANSMISSION IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

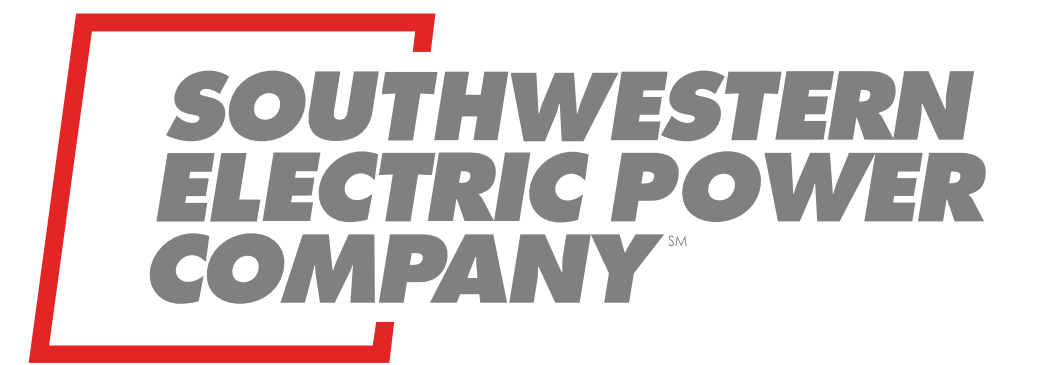


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TYPICAL STRUCTURES



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Typical Structure Height:
Approximately 80 feet

Typical Distance Between Structures:
Approximately 600 feet

Typical Right-of-Way Width:
Approximately 100 feet

RIGHT-OF-WAY ACTIVITIES



SWEPKO HAS TWO KEY PHILOSOPHIES THAT PERTAIN TO POWER LINE RIGHTS-OF-WAY:

1 Rebuilding transmission lines should cause the least possible disturbance to people and the environment, and

2 Property owners should be fairly compensated for any land rights that must be acquired.

SWEPKO studies the project area to determine the areas most affected and reach out to the landowners in the following ways:

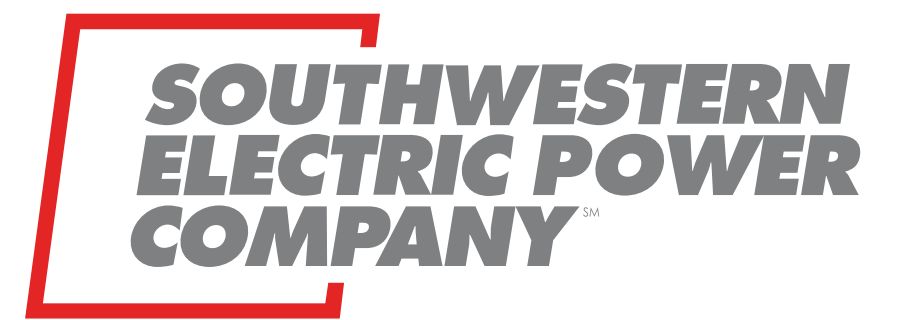
TO SECURE NECESSARY RIGHT-OF-WAY AND COMMUNICATE:

- Width of the right-of-way
- Terms and conditions of easement
- Landowner compensation

TO OUTLINE SWEPKO'S CONSTRUCTION PROCESS WITH A SPECIFIC FOCUS ON:

- Property restoration
- Damage mitigation as appropriate
- Safe construction of the transmission line

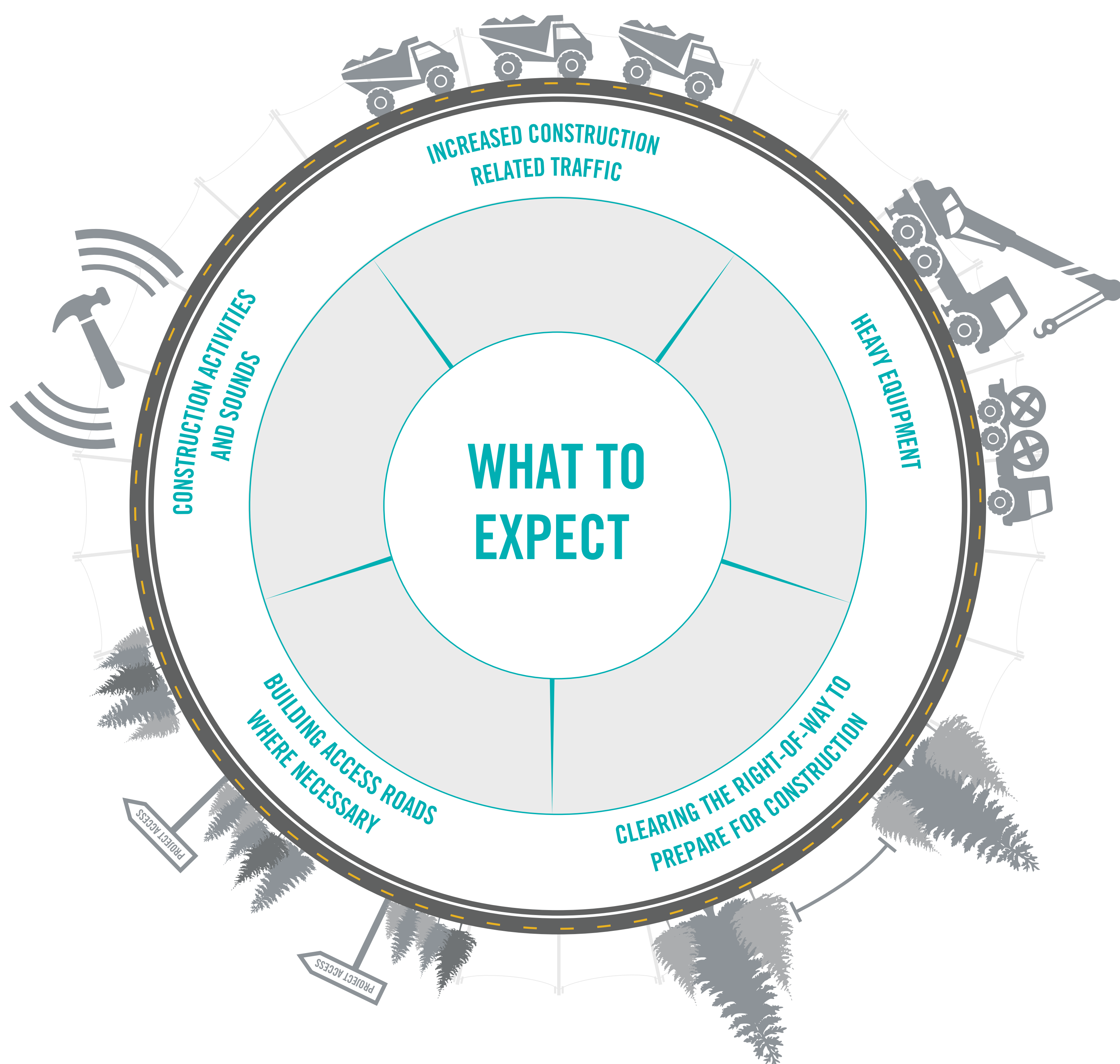
CONSTRUCTION PROCESS



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SWEPCO understands the work related to transmission grid improvements can sometimes be an inconvenience. That's why we make every effort during the construction process to be respectful of the environment and our neighbors, while safely working to ensure reliable electric service.



SWEPCO plans to work with individual property owners throughout the construction process. Team members will provide details of upcoming work and listen to customer feedback on how we can lessen the impact of our work. In the event damages should occur during the construction process, we will work to restore property as close to its original state as possible.

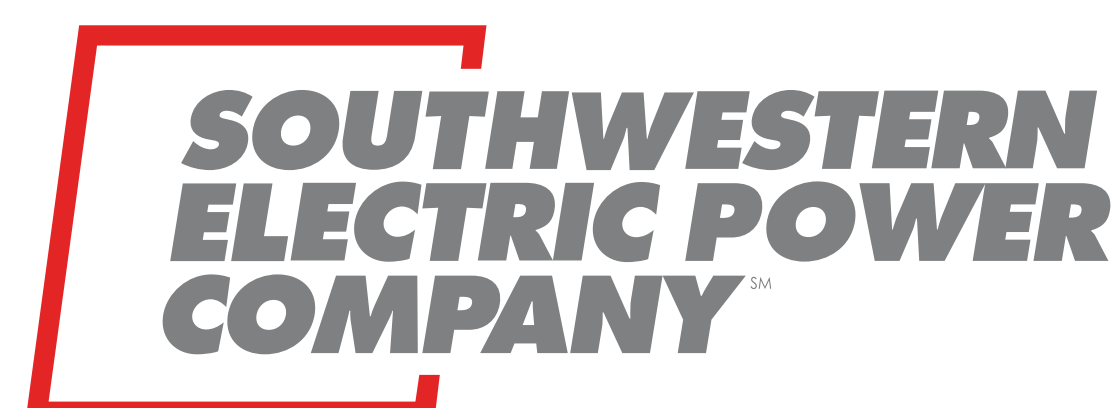
TELL US WHAT YOU THINK



Return your questionnaire here. Your insights and ideas will help our team lessen the impacts on your neighborhood during the construction of this transmission line.

THANK YOU

Thank you for attending the Open House. SWEPCO is proud to provide reliable electricity to your home and business and is committed to being a good neighbor. We understand that while improvement projects are critical to the reliability and safety of the local electric system, they can sometimes be inconvenient for you. We will work hard to address your concerns and offer reasonable solutions, working in a way that respects our neighbors and the environment.



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