

South Bend-Niles Transmission Line Project

Indiana Michigan Power (I&M) representatives plan power grid upgrades to improve electric reliability for customers in southwestern Michigan and northern Indiana. The South Bend-Niles Transmission Line Project involves updating a substation and about 12 miles of electric transmission line from South Bend, Indiana to Niles, Michigan.

What

The project involves:

- Rebuilding about 4 miles of power line from FourFlag Substation off South 3rd Street in Niles to the Indiana State Line on Stateline Road.
- Rebuilding about 8 miles of power line from Stateline Road to South Bend Substation on Edison Road.
- Upgrading Swanson Substation off Hickory Road in Granger.

Why

The project benefits include:

- Strengthening the local electric transmission system by replacing aging poles and wires with modern equipment.
- Increasing capacity to address the growing demand for electricity in the area through upgrading Swanson Substation.
- Improving operational performance, reducing the likelihood of extended power outages and enhancing electric reliability for area customers.

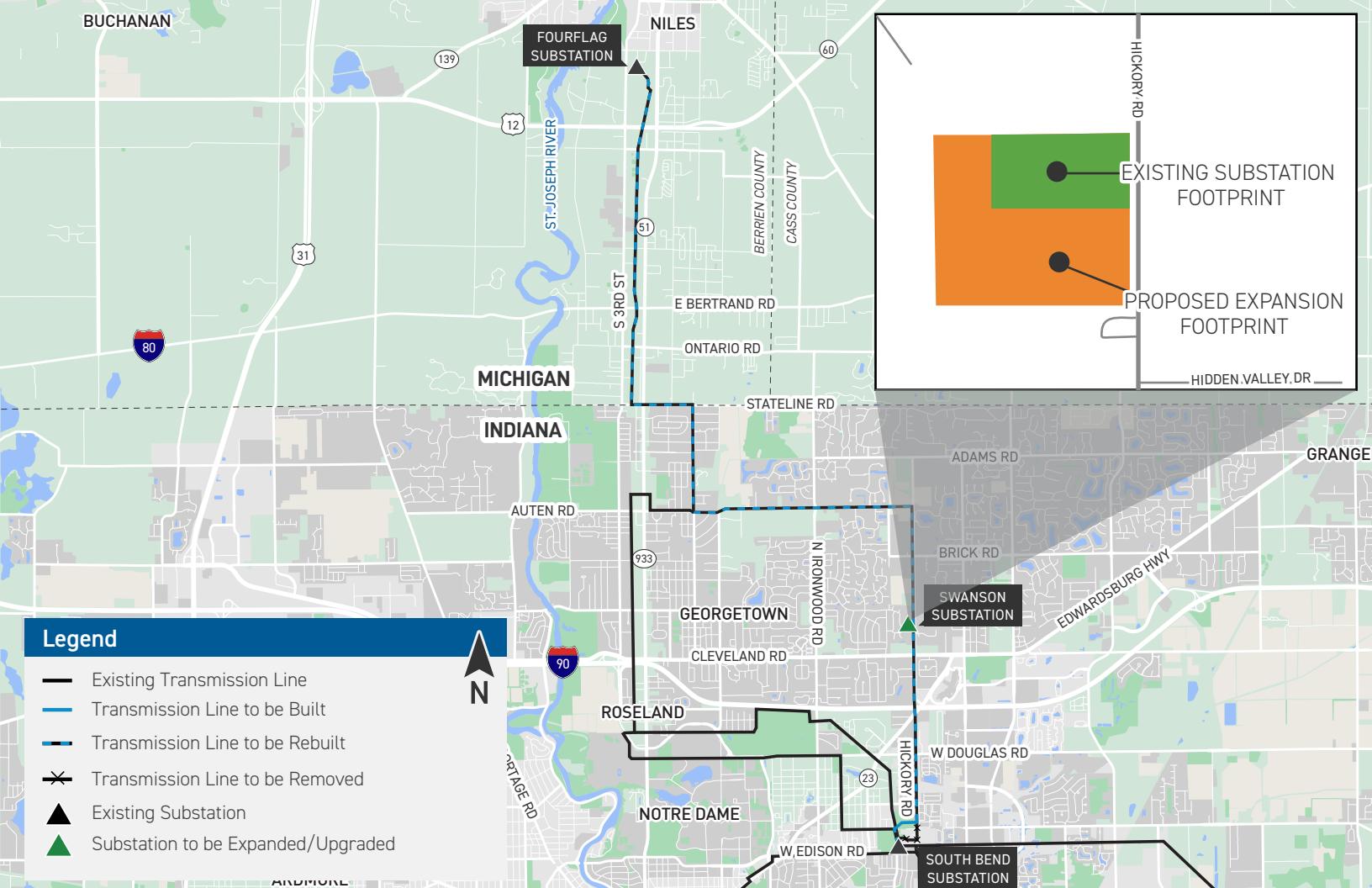
Where

The project area includes:

- South Bend, IN
- Clay and Harris townships in St. Joseph County
- Niles, MI
- Niles and Milton townships in Berrien County

Project Schedule

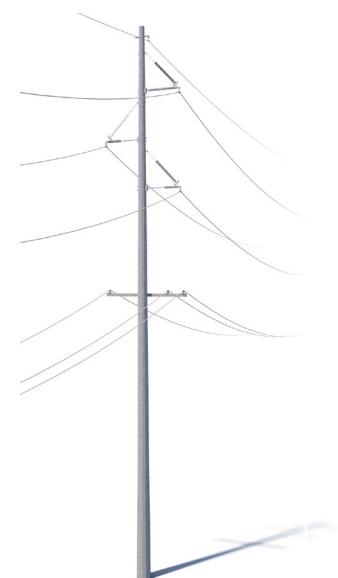
	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
Project Announcement November 2022	•								
Right-of-Way Communications Late 2022 - Fall 2029	•	•							
Field Activities & Engineering Early 2023 - Spring 2028	•	•							
Substation Construction Early 2026 - Fall 2027				•	•				
Transmission Line Construction Spring 2026 - Fall 2029				•	•				
Facilities Placed In Service Summer 2026 - Fall 2029				•	•				
Restoration Activities Fall 2026 - Spring 2030				•	•				



Typical Structures*

The project involves installing steel poles.

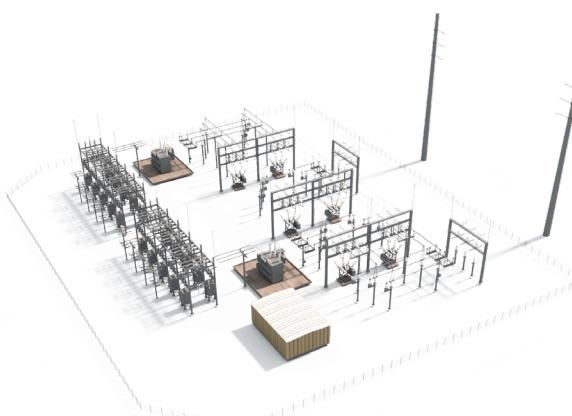
Typical Pole Height:
Approximately 90 feet*
Typical Right-of-Way Width:
Approximately 60 feet*



*Exact structure, height, and right-of-way requirements may vary.

Substation**

Substations serve as electrical intersections converting power to voltage levels for use in homes and businesses.



**Substation shown is a general depiction of the proposed facility. It does not represent final design.



We value your input. Please send comments and questions to:

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