

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ELECTRICAL UPGRADES

AEP Ohio officials have proposed an electrical transmission project in Franklin County

AEP Ohio representatives plan to build .2 miles of double circuit 138-kilovolt (kV) transmission line from the existing Bexley – Saint Clair 138-kV Transmission Line to Drew Substation, off the intersection of Woodland Avenue and Maryland Avenue in Columbus. Construction on Drew Substation began in November. Improvements also involve replacing .4 miles of wooden poles with taller steel poles along the existing transmission line to accommodate connecting the new power lines to the electric grid.

The improvements are necessary to provide power to AEP Ohio's Drew Substation. Adding the new substation allows the company better distribute electricity throughout the grid and meet the area's growing electrical demand.

AEP Ohio officials filed the following project components with the Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB):

- **Construction Notice:** Bexley-Saint Clair 138 kV Transmission Line Cut-In Project, Case No. 25-1023-EL-BNR. This component involves replacing .4 miles of wooden poles with taller steel poles along the Bexley-Saint Clair 138 kV Transmission line to accommodate the new power lines.

- **Letter of Notification:** Drew Extension East and West 138 kV Transmission Line Project, Case No. 25-1024-EL-BLN. This component involves building .2 miles of double circuit transmission line from the existing Bexley-Saint Clair 138-kV Transmission Line to Drew Substation.

If approved, crews expect construction to begin in February and conclude in early 2027.

The Construction Notice and Letter of Notification to construct, operate and maintain these facilities awaits OPSB review. The OPSB accepts motions to intervene in the Construction Notice and Letter of Notification up to 10 days following the publication date of this notice. The requirements to intervene are included in Rule 4906-2-12 of the Ohio Administrative Code. Please address motions to the Ohio Power Siting Board, 180 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43215-3793 and cite Case No. 25-1024-EL-BLN.

The accompanying map shows the project area. Please use this map only as a general guide due to its reduced scale and limited detail. Copies of the Construction Notice and Letter of Notification, including specific details about the location and construction, are available for public inspection at the following locations:

- **Columbus Main Library**, 111 Front St., Columbus, OH 43215.

- **Columbus Library Martin Luther King Branch**, 1467 E. Long St., Columbus, OH, 43215

- **Ohio Power Siting Board**, 180 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH, 43215-3793, 866-270-6772, contactopsb@puc.state.oh.us.

Electronic versions of the Construction Notice and Letter of Notification are available at AEPOhio.com/OPSBFilings and at the OPSB website at opsb.ohio.gov. Search under pending cases for Case No. 25-1023-EL-BNR and Case No. 25-1024-EL-BLN.

The following local city and county government officials have been served with a copy of the Construction Notice and Letter of Notification as required by OPSB regulations:

- **Franklin County Commissioners:** Erica Crawley, John O'Grady, Kevin Boyce
- **Franklin County Clerk:** Brittany Razek
- **Franklin County Engineer:** Adam Fowler
- **Franklin County Regional Planning Commission:** Mark Doll
- **Franklin County Soil and Water Conservation District:** Denna Clem
- **Columbus City Council:** Shannon Hardin, Rob Dorans, Nicholas Bankston, Lourdes Barosso de Padilla, Otto Beatty, Nancy Day-Achauer, Melissa Green, Emmanuel Remy, Christopher Wyche
- **City of Columbus Mayor:** Andrew Ginther
- **City of Columbus Clerk:** Toya Johnson
- **City of Columbus Planning Manager:** Stephanie Kinsler, Belkis Schoenhals

If you are a local city or county government official and would like an electronic or hard copy of the Construction Notice or Letter of Notification, please contact Meghan Blankenship at the information listed below. To ask a question or make a comment about the project, please call 614-933-2998 or AEPOhio_Outreach@aep.com.

Mail inquiries may be sent to the following address:

AEP Ohio

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