

# COLORADO'S POWER PATHWAY

Project Update: Preferred route identified for Segment 5: Tundra - Harvest Mile

# **Transmission Line Routing Update**

Xcel Energy has identified the preferred transmission line route for Segment 5 (Tundra – Harvest Mile) of Colorado's Power Pathway. The Segment 5 preferred transmission line route follows the previously identified preferred transmission line route links east and then north from the Tundra Substation in Pueblo County to El Paso, Lincoln and southern Elbert counties. Please visit <a href="ColoradosPowerPathway.com">ColoradosPowerPathway.com</a> to view the preferred route location.

In Elbert County, the newly selected preferred transmission line route continues north to parallel Colorado Highway 86 west, a gas pipeline toward the northwest and an existing electric transmission line north to the county line. A portion of the preferred transmission line route in Elbert County includes transmission route links previously eliminated from consideration. These transmission route links were reconsidered based on public feedback. These options for the preferred route will reduce construction impacts while meeting project engineering and design requirements.

A portion of the preferred transmission line route in Arapahoe County has changed to utilize alternate transmission route links that head west and then north to connect with the previously identified preferred transmission route links along East Quincy Ave.

Xcel Energy land agents will be in direct contact with landowners within the Segment 5 preferred route to discuss the purchase of easements on their land.

## **Substation Siting Area**

The Substation Siting Area in Crowley County has been eliminated from further consideration. The Substation Siting Area in Pueblo County continues to be evaluated and a site will be identified if determined to be needed.

#### **Permitting Activities**

Land use permitting activities are underway for Segments 1, 2, 3 and 4 and approvals have been received

in Morgan, Kit Carson, Cheyenne and Kiowa counties. Use by Special Review permit approval for Washington County is anticipated in December. Segment 4 and 5 land use permitting activities are anticipated to begin in early 2023 in Arapahoe, Crowley, El Paso, Elbert, Pueblo and Lincoln counties. We encourage landowners to participate in the land use permit processes managed by the cities and counties that govern the permitting processes. For more information on public hearings and types of permits required, visit our **Permitting page** at ColoradosPowerPathway.com.

# About Colorado's Power Pathway

Colorado's Power Pathway is a proposed \$1.7 to \$2 billion investment to improve the electric grid and enable future renewable energy interconnections around the state. Colorado's Power Pathway includes approximately 560 to 650 miles of new 345-kilovolt electric transmission line and several new and expanded substations. If approved, segments of Colorado's Power Pathway could be operating as early as 2025. It will increase electric reliability, connect new energy resources in eastern Colorado, boost the regional economy and create jobs during construction.

## Have questions or comments?

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If you have general questions not related to Colorado's Power Pathway, please contact Xcel Energy Customer Care at **800-895-4999**.

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