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R-Project 345-kV



# Transmission Line PROJECT

## Transmission line open houses set for September

Nebraska Public Power District will host a second round of open houses in September for the R-Project. The R-Project consists of routing and siting a new electrical transmission line that will run from NPPD's Gerald Gentleman Station near Sutherland north to the Cherry County area, and then east to near the Holt/Antelope County line. The line is needed to enhance transmission system reliability, relieve congestion from existing lines within the transmission system, and provide opportunities for additional renewable energy generation.

The first round of open houses provided a project overview and identified the project's study area. Nearly 600 people attended the first round of open houses, which were held in January at six different locations within the study area. Now, the study area has been narrowed to corridors (see inside pages). The corridors were identified through a specific narrowing-down process (utilizing public input) of the original study area and reflect areas where a potential line route could be sited.

Please stop by one of the following meeting locations anytime between the hours of **2 p.m. and 8 p.m.** and allow at least 30 minutes to walk through the open house.

### **Monday, September 9**

Thedford Public Schools (old gym)  
304 Maple Street, Thedford, Nebraska

### **Tuesday, September 10**

Sutherland Public School (south gym)  
401 Walnut Street, Sutherland, Nebraska

### **Wednesday, September 11**

Sandhills Public School (gym)  
107 Gandy Avenue, Dunning, Nebraska

### **Thursday, September 12**

Community Center  
236 Main Street, Stapleton, Nebraska

### **Monday, September 16**

American Legion  
657 G Street, Burwell, Nebraska

### **Tuesday, September 17**

Wheeler Central High School (old gym)  
600 Randolph West, Bartlett, Nebraska

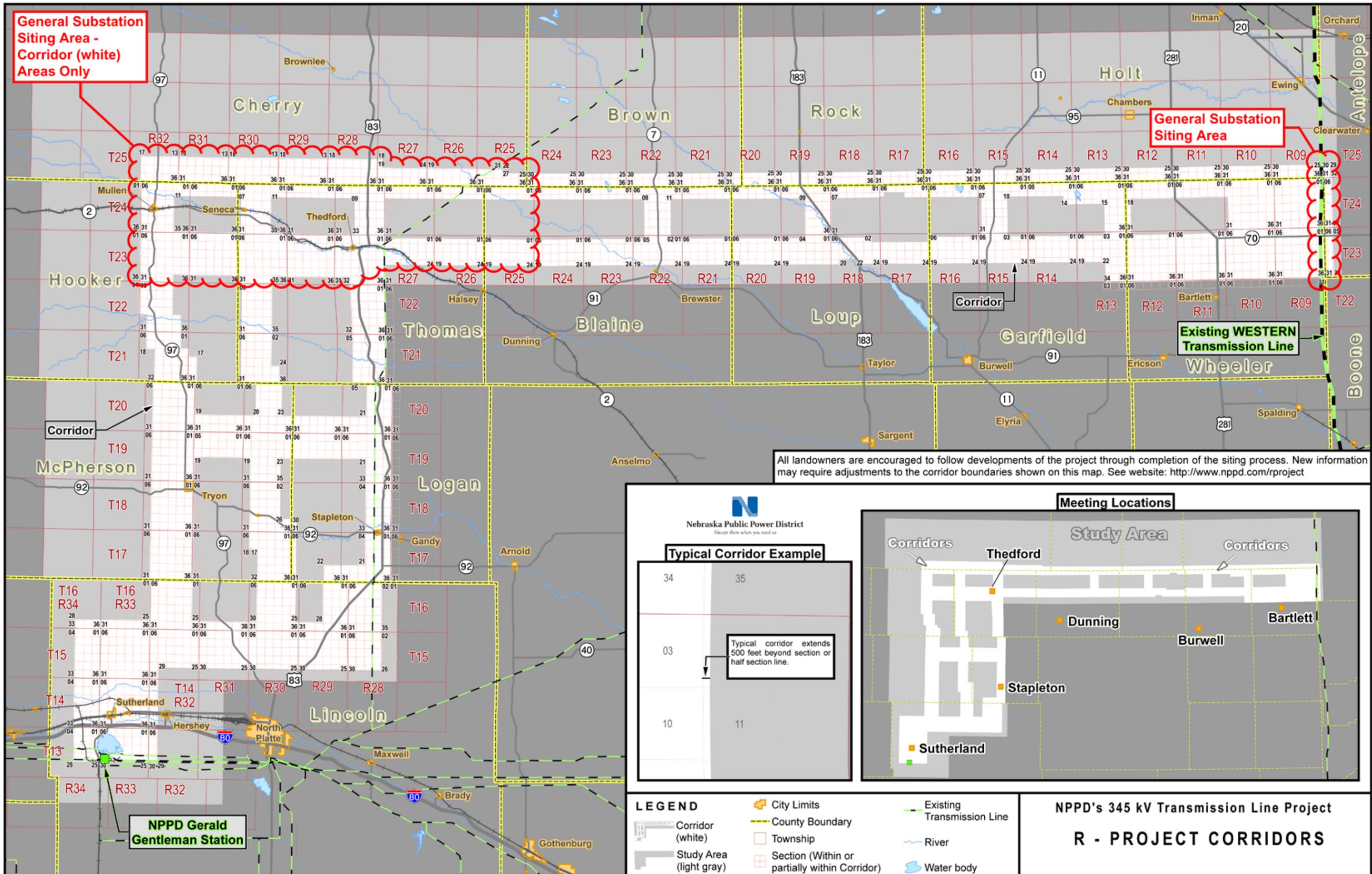
All landowners within the study area received this newsletter. Those within the corridors also received an invitation letter to the open houses.

If you are unable to attend the public open house meetings, please visit the online open house meeting on [nppd.com](http://nppd.com). Abbreviated information, maps and drawings from the open house meeting will be available, as well as an opportunity for you to provide comments. The online meeting will be accessible beginning September 9, 2013.

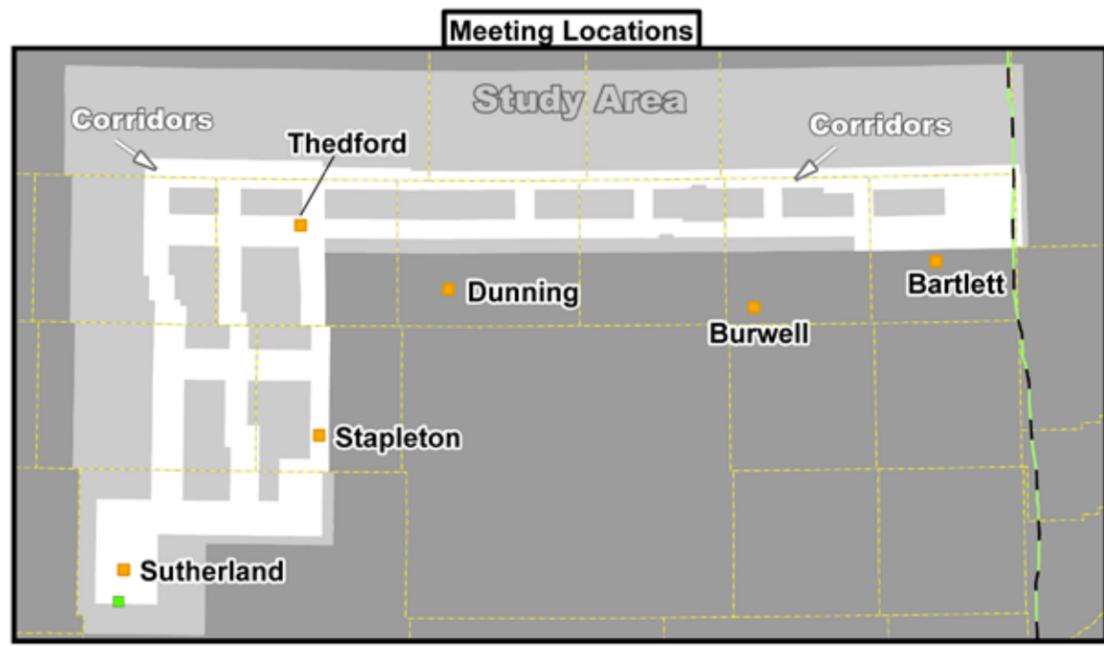
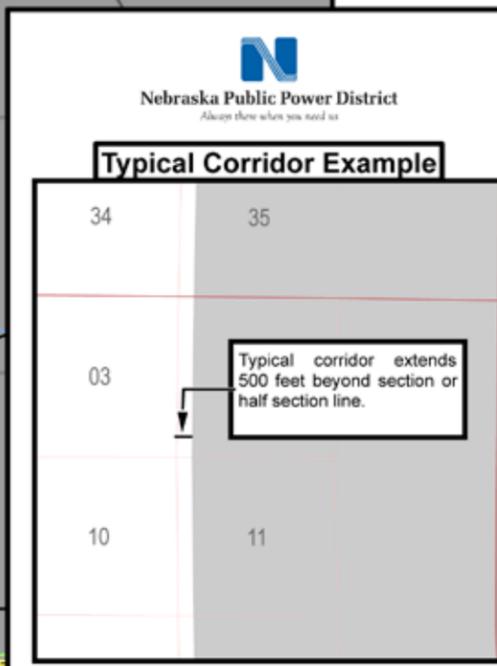
You may also share your feedback by emailing [powerline@nppd.com](mailto:powerline@nppd.com) or by calling the project hotline at 1-888-677-3412. All feedback will be taken into consideration before a final line route is chosen.

**General Substation Siting Area - Corridor (white) Areas Only**

**General Substation Siting Area**



All landowners are encouraged to follow developments of the project through completion of the siting process. New information may require adjustments to the corridor boundaries shown on this map. See website: <http://www.nppd.com/rproject>



**LEGEND**

Corridor (white)	City Limits	Existing Transmission Line
Study Area (light gray)	County Boundary	River
Township	Section (Within or partially within Corridor)	Water body

**NPPD's 345 kV Transmission Line Project**

**R - PROJECT CORRIDORS**

**NPPD Gerald Gentleman Station**



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# Public involvement key to project's success

From start to finish, the R-Project 345-kV transmission line project is expected to take about five years to complete.

## Project Milestones

- **January 2013**  
First Round of Open Houses (Study Area announced)
- **September 2013**  
Second Round of Open Houses (Corridors announced)
- **Spring 2014**  
Third Round of Open Houses (Alternative and Preferred Routes announced)
- **Fall/Winter 2014**  
Public Hearing (Proposed Route communicated)
- **Winter 2014/Spring 2015**  
Final Route announced  
Engineering/Survey/Easement Acquisition

- **Spring 2016/Winter 2017**  
Construction
- **January 1, 2018**  
Transmission Line In Service

Throughout the entire process, public involvement is a key component to the project's success. If you have comments or questions, please contact us via any of the methods listed at the bottom of this newsletter.



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