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R-Project 345,000 Volt

Transmission Line PROJECT

NPPD Announces R-Project Proposed Line Route, Public Hearing Dates

After a nearly two-year routing and public involvement process, NPPD has identified a proposed route for the R-Project, a 345,000 volt transmission line project spanning approximately 220 miles in Nebraska. (See inside map). The transmission line project will run north from NPPD's Gerald Gentleman Station near Sutherland to a new substation to be sited adjacent to NPPD's existing substation east of Thedford. The new line will then proceed east and connect to a second substation proposed to be sited in Holt County. The R-Project will help enhance operation of NPPD's electric transmission system, relieve congestion from existing lines within the transmission system, and provide additional opportunities for development of renewable energy projects.

A series of eight public hearings on the R-Project are scheduled during the first two weeks of November. The hearings will be held in eight counties where the line route has been selected, with each meeting having a one-hour open house prior to the formal hearing. Property owners along the proposed line route and substation sites were mailed a certified letter inviting them to attend a public hearing.

The public hearings, required under Nebraska statutes, are conducted to present the proposed transmission project. A hearing officer will facilitate the hearing and a court reporter will be used to document all presentations by NPPD and landowner comments and questions.

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R-Project Public Hearing Dates, Locations and Times

Tuesday, Nov. 4

Stapleton

Logan County Fairgrounds
71 Highway 83
Open House: 12 - 1 p.m.
Public Hearing: 1 - 3 p.m.

North Platte

Holiday Inn Express
300 Frontage Road
Open House: 6 - 7 p.m.
Public Hearing: 7 - 9 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 6

Thedford

Thomas County Fairgrounds
83861 Highway 83
Open House: 12 - 1 p.m.
Public Hearing: 1 - 3 p.m.

Brewster

Community Center
250 Garfield Avenue
Open House: 6 - 7 p.m.
Public Hearing: 7 - 9 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 10

Burwell

American Legion
657 G Street
Open House: 12 - 1 p.m.
Public Hearing: 1 - 3 p.m.

Taylor

Loup Co. Community Center
406 4th Street
Open House: 6 - 7 p.m.
Public Hearing: 7 - 9 p.m.

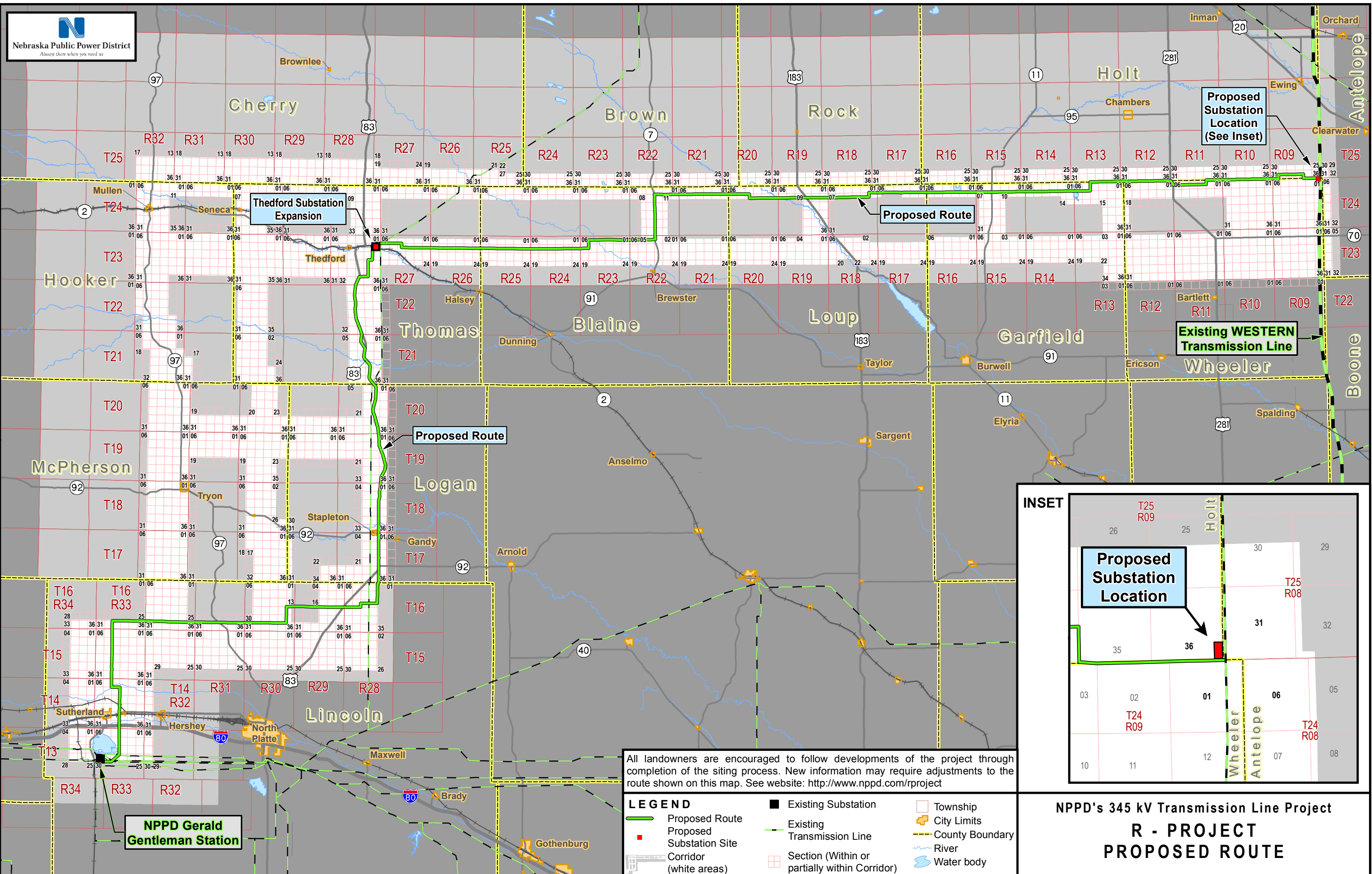
Wednesday, Nov. 12

Bartlett

Wheeler-Central High School
(new gym)
214 5th Street
Open House: 12 - 1 p.m.
Public Hearing: 1 - 3 p.m.

Chambers

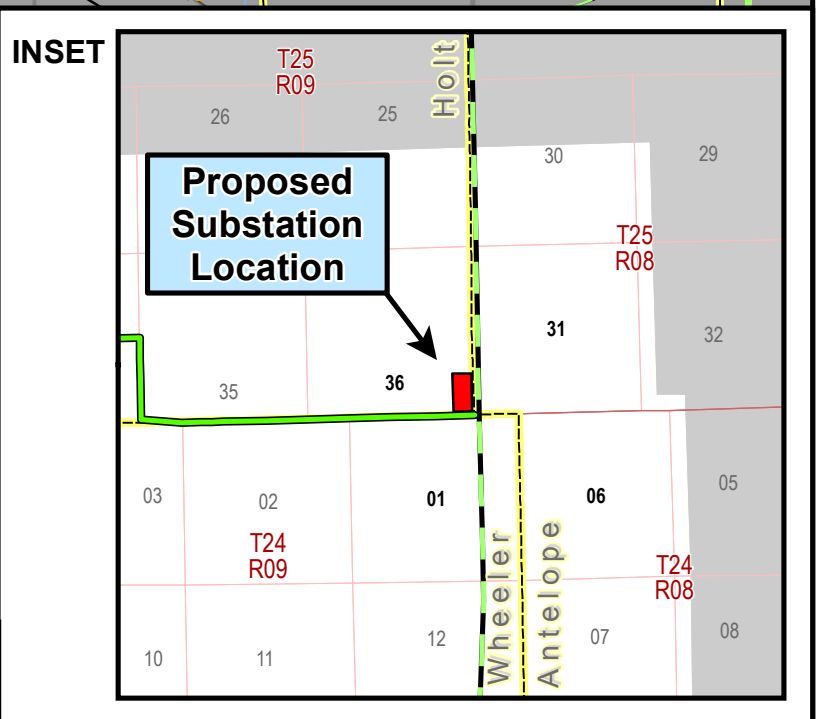
Community Center
107 E. Main Street
Open House: 6 - 7 p.m.
Public Hearing: 7 - 9 p.m.



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

LEGEND

Proposed Route	Existing Substation	Township
Proposed Substation Site	Existing Transmission Line	City Limits
Corridor (white areas)	Section (Within or partially within Corridor)	County Boundary
	River	Water body



NPPD's 345 kV Transmission Line Project
R - PROJECT
PROPOSED ROUTE

NPPD Gerald Gentleman Station

Proposed Substation Location (See Inset)

Proposed Route

Existing WESTERN Transmission Line

Proposed Route

Thedford Substation Expansion



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NPPD Shares R-Project Proposed Line Route

The first part of the public hearing consists of presentations on the project by NPPD and its engineering consulting firm, POWER Engineers. The topics will include the need for the project, engineering aspects, line route selection, and the easement acquisition process. Once that portion of the hearing is completed, the public will have an opportunity to speak.

Any individual can supply testimony or ask questions about the line project in two ways. One way is for the individual to speak from the podium, state their name and county where the property is located, and either present information that they feel is needed about the project, or ask questions about the project. Comment cards will also be available for landowners who prefer not to speak at the podium, but desire to make a statement or ask a question. The comment or question will be read aloud during the hearing.

Prior to each formal public hearing, NPPD will host a one-hour open house similar to the previous three rounds that have been held since January of 2013. Again, this will be an opportunity for the public to provide additional information regarding their property or ask specific questions about the project.

Following a 30-day comment period, NPPD will announce the final line route via a newsletter; thereafter, right-of-way agents will begin meeting with landowners for right-of-entry to conduct activities on the property. The initial activities include conducting surveys of proposed easement areas and proceeding with appraisal work. After engineering is completed, right-of-way agents will meet with landowners to fully explain the project as it relates to their specific property and explain terms and conditions of the easement needed for the line. NPPD strives for fair and respectful treatment of affected landowners during the entire process.

Contact us!

Share your feedback with NPPD by visiting the project website at www.nppd.com/rproject, emailing 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.



The R-Project 345 kV Transmission Line Newsletter is published by NPPD's transmission project team. It is intended to provide a project overview and communicate project developments.

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