

**National Grid  
OUTREACH AND EDUCATION PLAN  
2020**

**Appendix B**

**Outreach and Education Materials**

## **Appendix B**

# **Infrastructure Investments and Developments**

Appendix B Outreach Materials

Project	Case # (if any)	Collateral (Restricted to April 1, 2019 – March 31, 2020)	Method of Distribution
150th Street Lining Gas Project	N/A	Project letter	Mailing
Belmont Ave. Lining Gas Project	N/A	Project Letter	Mailing
Brielle Ave Governor 305 Refurbishment	N/A	Fact Sheet	Mailing
		Community Board Presentation	In-Person
Brookview Gas Gate Station	N/A	Introduction Letter	Mailing
		Construction Update Letter	Mailing
		Construction Update Letter	Mailing
		Construction Update Letter	Mailing
Clay-DeWitt Line 3 and Clay-Teall Line 10 Rebuild & Reconductor Project	15-T-0305	Construction Commencement Notice	Mailing
		Field Card	In-Person
		Herbicide Letter	Door hanger
		Website	Digital
Dutch Broadway Gas Project	N/A	Project Fact Sheet	Mailing
		Introduction Letter	Mailing
		Project Update Letter	Mailing
		Fact Sheet	Mailing
		Project Update Letter	Mailing
Pipeline E37 Reliability and Resiliency Gas Project (Albany Loop)	19-T-0069	Field Card	In-Person
		Online Advertisement – Open House	Digital
		Fact Sheet	Digital; In-Person; Mailing
		Times Union Online – Open House	Digital
		Advertisement – Public Statement Hearing	Print
		Advertisement – Public Statement Hearing	Print
		Fact Sheet	
		FAQ Fact Sheet	In-Person
		Open House Invitation	Mailing
		Website	Digital
Gardenville 141/142 115kV Rebuild Project	18-T-0561	Public Statement Hearing Notice	Mailing
		Public Statement Hearing Letter	Mailing
		Website	Digital
GE Geres Lock Reconductoring Project	N/A	Field Card	In-Person
		Project Letter	Mailing
Hartfield – South Dow Line #859 34.5 kV Sub-Transmission Rebuild Project	N/A	Door Hanger	In-Person
		Vegetation Letter	Mailing
Huntley Lockport 36/37 Reconductoring Project	N/A	Preconstruction Letter	Mailing
		Field Card	In-Person
		Construction Completion Letter	Mailing
Junius Street Lining Gas Project	N/A	Project Letter	Mailing

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<b>Lockport Batavia 112 Transmission Line Rebuild Project</b>	N/A	Project Introduction Letter	Mailing
		Municipal Outreach Letter	Mailing
<b>Long Island Avenue System Reinforcement Project</b>	N/A	Fact Sheet	Mailing
<b>Mariaville Gas Regulator Station</b>	N/A	Construction Commencement Letter	Mailing
<b>Mohawk Valley Hospital Project</b>	N/A	Project Fact Sheet	Mailing
<b>Nassau County Project</b>	N/A	Door Hanger	In-Person
<b>New York Gas Projects</b>	N/A	Door Hanger	In-Person
<b>Pipeline 34 Replacement Project</b>	18-T-0487	Hydrostatic Letter	Mailing
		Website	Digital
<b>Pipeline 11 New York Mills Gas Project</b>	N/A	Project Commencement Letter	Mailing
		Project Conclusion Letter	Mailing
		Project Conclusion Letter	Mailing
		Restoration Letter	Mailing
<b>Pipeline 55 Charging Stations</b>	N/A	Project Construction Letter	Mailing
		Project Construction Letter	Mailing
		Fact Sheet	Mailing
<b>Royal Avenue Substation</b>	N/A	Project Introduction Post Card	Mailing
<b>SL-54 Gas Project</b>	N/A	Fact Sheet	Mailing
		Project Introduction Letter	Mailing
<b>Spier Falls to Rotterdam #2 Shieldwire &amp; Insulator Replacement Project</b>	N/A	Fact Sheet	Mailing
		Project Introduction Letter	Mailing
<b>Ticonderoga Sanford Lake Line #4 Retirement Project</b>	N/A	Ticonderoga Sanford Lake Project Letter	Mailing
<b>Troy URD Farrell Road and Highpointe Drive Utility Work</b>	N/A	Project Introduction Letter	Mailing
<b>Two Mile Creek Substation</b>	N/A	Project Letter – Bike Event	Mailing
<b>West Ashville Substation</b>	16-T-0499	Website	Digital
<b>West Milton Distribution Project</b>	N/A	Project Introduction Post Card	Mailing



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Dear Sir or Madam,

Energy plays a critical role in our day-to-day lives and ensures the well-being of our community. That's why we are investing in infrastructure upgrades that will help us to provide safe and reliable natural gas to our customers for years to come.

### We will be working in your neighborhood.

National Grid and Progressive Pipeline Management will be performing infrastructure upgrades in your area.

**Date:** To begin in June 2019, typically within 15 days from this notification.

**Completion time:** Typically, within 90 days from construction start.

**Construction days and hours:** Monday - Friday 9 AM – 4 PM (occasional non-weekday work may be required)

**Where:** 150<sup>th</sup> Street between Rockaway Blvd. and North Conduit Ave.

**Traffic:** Will remain open during construction hours. A traffic flagger will be on-site during work hours to safely direct vehicles. When construction is done for the day the site will be secured and plated allowing regular traffic to resume. Safety is our priority, please be mindful of the site during and after construction hours.

### What you can expect during construction.

Typical natural gas main replacement includes:

- Marking out underground utilities within the project scope area (e.g., water, sewer, gas, electric, etc)
- Excavation of the street and/or sidewalk and laying of new gas main
- Temporary disruption of street parking
- Temporary and then permanent restoration of disturbed areas in accordance with DOT specifications.
- Replacing National Grid gas customer's individual gas service lines, where required, and connecting the piping to the new main
- In accordance with NTS requirements, in most instances National Grid gas meters will need to be relocated to the outside of the home or business (no charge).

### Scam Awareness – Important Reminders:

- National Grid employees and contractors carry photo identification cards. If someone requests entry into your home or business and does not show the proper ID, don't let that person in. Please call National Grid at 1-718-643-4050 or your local law enforcement.
- National Grid does not seek payment in the field for work being performed. If you are asked for money as it relates to these services, do not provide it and please call us immediately.

### For our current National Grid customers

We'll contact you when we are ready to hook up your home to the new natural gas main. You will experience a temporary interruption of natural gas service on the day that the crew works to reconnect your home to the new gas main. A representative from the construction crew will contact affected home and business owners 24–48 hours in advance to schedule this work. Typical service line work will take one business day. Visit [ngrid.com/serviceline](http://ngrid.com/serviceline) to view an example of this process.

**We're here for you if you have any questions about the project.** Please call me at (631) 755-6753.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Joe Fedele  
 Stakeholder Management  
[joseph.fedele@nationalgrid.com](mailto:joseph.fedele@nationalgrid.com)

# Project Introduction Letter

## 150<sup>th</sup> Street Lining Project

### Planned construction in your neighborhood

National Grid is writing to notify you of plans to perform a project in your neighborhood. This project will be taking place on 150<sup>th</sup> Street between Rockaway Blvd. and North Conduit Ave.

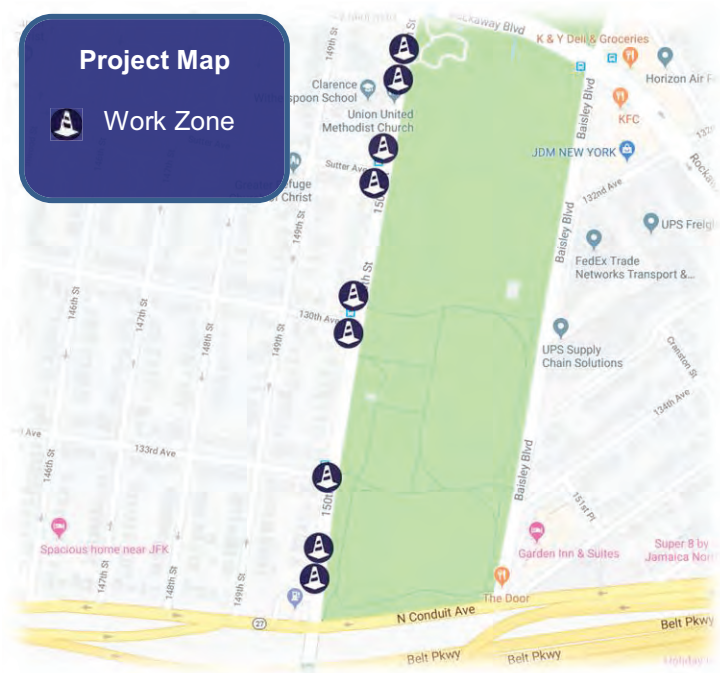
The project will upgrade and modernize the existing natural gas main on 150<sup>th</sup> Street. Construction is scheduled to begin in June. Please refer to the map on this page for your reference.

A traffic flagger will be on-site during hours of construction to assist and direct vehicles during construction hours. Once construction is complete for the day, the site will be secured, and plates will protect the pits so regular traffic may resume. **Please refer to the other side of this document for more specific details on the project.**

We are committed to the safety of our crews, contractors and our customers. For your safety, please do not enter the work areas during construction. If you smell gas, dial 9-1-1 immediately. Also, be aware that all National Grid employees are required to carry a photo ID badge.

We all appreciate your cooperation and assistance as we safely move forward with this project. We value your community, input and support. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns regarding the project.

Joe Fedele  
National Grid  
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**Completion time:** Typically, within 90 days from construction start.

**Construction days and hours:** Monday - Friday 7 AM – 6 PM (occasional non-weekday work may be required)

**Where:** Belmont Avenue between Lincoln and Fountain Ave.

**Traffic:** Will remain open during construction hours. A traffic flagger will be on-site during work hours to safely direct vehicles. When construction is done for the day the site will be secured and plated allowing regular traffic to resume. Safety is our priority, please be mindful of the site during and after construction hours.

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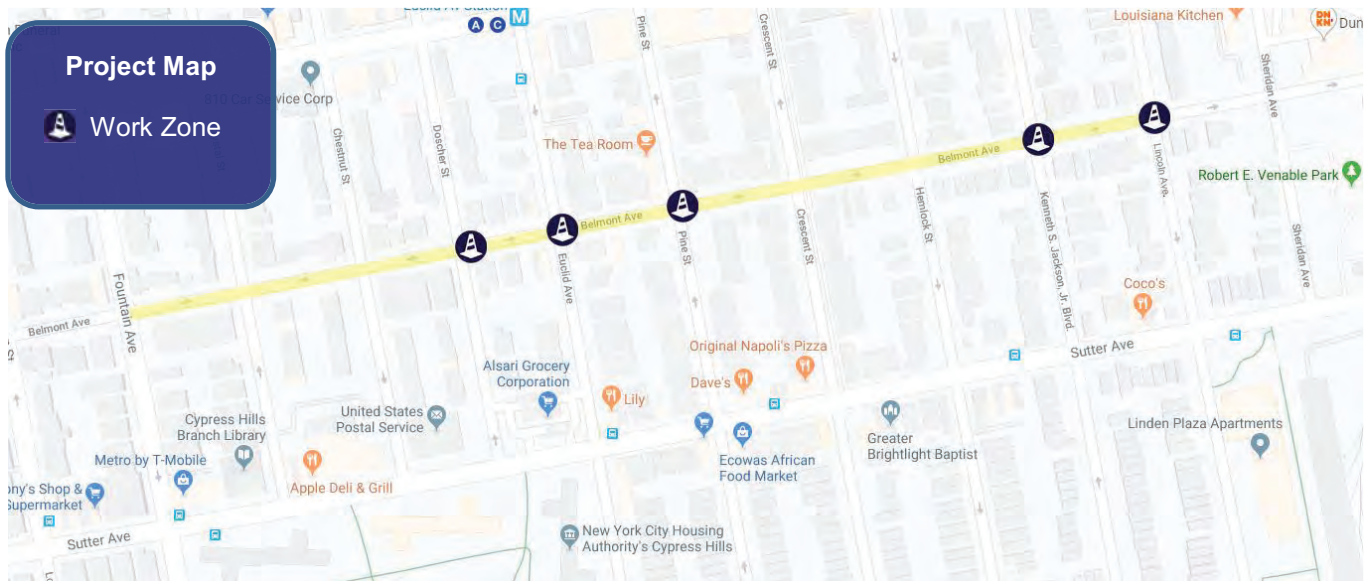
Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

# Project Introduction Letter

## Belmont Avenue Lining

### Planned construction in your neighborhood

National Grid is writing to notify you of plans to perform a project in your neighborhood. This project will be taking place on Belmont Avenue and will upgrade and modernize the existing natural gas main. Construction is scheduled to begin in July. Please refer to the map on this page for your reference.



A traffic flagger will be on-site during hours of construction to assist and direct vehicles during construction hours. Once construction is complete for the day, the site will be secured and regular traffic may resume. **Please refer to the other side of this document for more specific details on the project.**

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## **An update for our neighbors on Staten Island**

We're modernizing the natural gas system to provide better service to the community.

Starting in April 2020, National Grid contractor crews will be working along Brielle Avenue between Melba and Gower Streets, Staten Island, NY. This project will improve the safety and reliability of gas in the area through the refurbishment/upgrading of an existing underground regulator station, 1957 vintage. In addition to the upgrades of existing equipment, another vault and regulator will be installed under ground for added safety and reliability. This project is critical for winter gas reliability and must be completed ahead of winter weather.

We anticipate the duration of the project to run from April 2020 through November 2020.

### **What you may expect during construction:**

- Crews\* generally work between the hours of 9 am and 4 pm Monday through Friday, with a potential for Saturday work hours as well.
- Residents will have access to driveways during the project and flaggers will assist with access, if necessary.
- Some street parking along Brielle Avenue will be impacted to allow for traffic.
- Potential relocation/temporary closing of Brielle Avenue/ Manor Road MTA bus stop.
- South-side of the street will remain closed during work hours. Crews will maintain traffic flow through north-side of the street. Work will be plated after each day to allow for regular traffic in non-working hours/days.
- Homes on the north-side of the street will have their services transferred prior to the start of the work and will be contacted to set up an appointment for this work.
- The safety of the public and our crews is our first priority. Please use caution in construction zones, and pay attention to traffic cones, cone bars and barricades.

**Thank you for your patience.**



If you have any questions about this project, please contact Alex Kushnir at National Grid:

**1-631-861-2805**

\*Please note: Every National Grid employee carries a photo ID card, and any contractor doing work for us is also required to carry ID.

National Grid does not seek payment in the field for work being performed. If you are asked for money as it relates to these services, do not provide it and please call us immediately.

**National Grid responds to gas emergencies 24 hours a day. If you smell gas, act fast and call our gas emergency line at 1-718-643-4050 or 911.**

# Governor 305 Refurbishment

Staten Island, New York



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## Project Location



National Grid | Governor 305 Regulator Station | December 2019

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National Grid | Governor 305 Regulator Station | December 2019

## Project Information

Beginning in the Spring of 2020, National Grid plans to refurbish and update an existing underground distribution level regulator station located on Brielle Avenue in Staten Island.

### Project goals:

- Replace and modernize an aging infrastructure originally installed in 1957.
- Install an additional underground regulator at the site to increase an additional level of safety protection.
- Improve system safety and reliability.
- Improve local system capacity to support economic growth.

National Grid | Governor 305 Regulator Station | December 2019

## Governor 305 Regulator Station

### Refurbishment Details:

- The original station, and all associated station piping will be replaced with brand new materials
- New valves and regulation equipment will replace the parts originally sized for the system load in 1957
- Additional Underground safety regulator and vent piping.
- Transferring of 3 services north of the station



National Grid | Governor 305 Regulator Station | December 2019

## Existing Conditions



National Grid | Governor 305 Regulator Station | December 2019

## Existing Conditions



## Project Scope



### Construction projected to start in April 2020

- Transferring of some (three) existing services inside
- Excavating for additional vault and regulator to be housed inside
- Excavate old piping and vaults on Brielle Ave
  - Excavations will be plated for safe vehicle traffic and community safety outside of work hours
- Backfill and restore any disturbed street or sidewalk in kind
- Project completed by Fall 2020
- Fabricate new piping and equipment while rejuvenating concrete vaults

## Project Benefits

- A safer, more reliable and resilient natural gas system.
- Restoration and reevaluation of old underground vaults constructed over 50 years ago
- Updated regulation equipment and safety systems
- Project will improve the safety and reliability of the system in the area while also supporting any potential growth needs.



## Community Impacts

As with all projects of this size and scope, there may be some inconvenience to local residents and businesses. We are committed to work together with all residents and communities to minimize disruption while we bring long-term benefits to Staten Island through this project.

National Grid will proactively work to mitigate any potential inconveniences to the surrounding communities, including working jointly with Susan E. Wagner School and safely managing increased local traffic due to construction crew activities.



## Community Outreach Goals/Plan

MTA Bus Stop	Coordinating with MTA to relocate the bus stop to a safe, assessable location during construction hours. Communicating temporary bus stop with community.
Community Board	Presenting project to work together to complete the project in the safest, most efficient way with respect to the community.
Susan E. Wagner School	Proactively working with school officials to address safest conditions for work-site, school pick ups and traffic near the school.
Neighborhood Residents	Project has dedicated Stakeholder outreach team to engage residents with door-to-door notifications and conversations about the project and potential impacts.

## Project Team

- Alex Kushnir, Project Manager
- Kristen Heiss, Engineer
- Joe Fedele, Stakeholder Management
- Carol Decina, Customer & Community Management



January 27, 2020

Dear Neighbor:

Thank you for your cooperation as National Grid continues to upgrade the Brookview Gas Gate Station on Jensis Road in Schodack. **This letter is to inform you that work at the site will suspend operations until the spring.**

We anticipate that crews will be back on site in mid-March through early July. Work hours are approximately Monday through Saturday 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Please note that the construction schedule may change due to delays such as inclement weather.

There will be no interruption of natural gas service to any National Grid customers throughout the duration of this project. Please be aware that you may smell gas outside and notice gas leaks as crews are working. If you are concerned about a possible leak inside your home, immediately call 1-800-892-2345 or 911.

If you have any questions or concerns about the project, please contact me at (518) 603-1040 (cell) or (518) 433-3561 (office).

Thank you,



Erin Gryniak  
Lead Stakeholder Specialist  
National Grid

September 7, 2019

Dear Neighbor:

This letter is to inform you that National Grid will be upgrading the Brookview Gas Gate Station on Jensis Road in Schodack to enhance the resiliency and reliability of our gas transmission system. Crews will begin mobilizing equipment to the site the week of September 9 and construction is anticipated to conclude in early January 2020. Please note that the construction schedule may change due to delays such as inclement weather.

This work is being overseen by the New York State Department of Public Service, and National Grid has received all necessary local and state approvals and permits to commence construction. There will be no interruption of natural gas service to any National Grid customers throughout the duration of the project. Crews will be working on site approximately Monday through Saturday 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

For your safety, do not enter the construction site and please inform your children not to play in or around the area. Please be aware that you may smell gas outside and notice gas leaks as crews are working. If you are concerned about a possible leak inside your home, immediately call 1-800-892-2345 or 911.

If you have any questions or concerns about this project, please do not hesitate to contact me at (518) 603-1040 (cell) or (518) 433-3561 (office). I will communicate project updates and changes with you as we progress with construction. Thank you for your patience and cooperation throughout the duration of this project.

Sincerely,



Erin Gryniak  
Lead Stakeholder Specialist  
National Grid

May 27, 2020

Dear Neighbor:

Thank you for your cooperation over the past year as National Grid worked at the Brookview Gas Gate Station on Jensis Road. Crews have successfully completed most of the upgrades at the site and will return to complete the final construction activities next spring, which is subject to change. This project is instrumental to National Grid's commitment of investing in new, innovative infrastructure so we can continue to provide safe, reliable natural gas service to our customers.

Prior to resuming the remaining phase of the project at the Brookview site, I will mail additional communications to you. Please note that you may see National Grid personnel at the site conducting periodic inspections unrelated to this project. If you have any questions or concerns, you can contact me at (518) 603-1040, day or night. Thank you again for your ongoing patience and understanding regarding this project.

Best Regards,



Erin Gryniak  
Lead Stakeholder Specialist  
National Grid

March 6, 2020

Dear Neighbor:

This letter is to inform you that construction at the Brookview Gas Gate Station on Jensis Road will recommence on or around March 16, 2020.

Crews will be on site upgrading the station through early July. Anticipated work hours are approximately Monday through Saturday 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Please note that the construction schedule may change due to delays such as inclement weather.

Customers will not experience any interruptions of natural gas service throughout the duration of this project. Please note that you may smell gas outside and/or notice gas leaks as crews are working. Immediately call 1-800-892-2345 or 911 if you are concerned about a possible leak inside your home.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions about this project. I can be reached at (518) 603-1040 (cell) or (518) 433-3561 (office). Thank you for your ongoing cooperation as we complete this project.

Sincerely,



Erin Gryniak  
Lead Stakeholder Specialist  
National Grid



August 9th, 2019

**Clay-Dewitt and Clay-Teall Rebuild Project:  
Information Regarding Planned Construction Activities and Schedule**

Towns of Clay, Cicero, DeWitt and Salina in Onondaga County, New York

Dear Sir/Madam:

You are receiving this letter because you own or reside on property that will be crossed by or that abuts the Clay-Dewitt and Clay-Teall Rebuild Project (“Project”). The Project, to be performed by Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation (doing business as “National Grid”), consists of rebuilding the existing Clay-DeWitt Line 3 and Clay-Teall Line 10 115kV electric transmission lines in the Towns of Cicero, Clay, DeWitt, and Salina, all in Onondaga County. More information about the Project, including a Project map, can be found in the Construction Commencement Notice included with this letter.

The purpose of this letter is to give you information regarding the planned commencement of construction activities that will occur in your community. Selective tree and vegetation clearing and disposal, which is the first phase of site preparation and construction, is expected to start in your community within the next fourteen to forty-five days. After vegetation clearing is completed, National Grid’s contractors will commence with the installation of environmental controls and then construction of the transmission lines. This phase is anticipated to be conducted during 2019–2021. The final phase, ground surface restoration, is expected to conclude in the summer of 2021.

National Grid intends to maintain an updated schedule on the Project website, which is available at [www.cdctrebuildproject.com](http://www.cdctrebuildproject.com). When the Project is underway, specific schedule information about particular locations can be obtained by calling the Project hotline at (844)-324-3589.

National Grid is committed to the safety of its crews, contractors and customers. For your safety, please do not enter the Project site or rights-of-way during construction or tree clearing.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric Madia".

Eric Madia  
Stakeholder Relations, National Grid  
300 Erie Boulevard West  
Syracuse, NY 13202  
Phone: 1-844-324-3589  
Email: [info@cdctrebuildproject.com](mailto:info@cdctrebuildproject.com)



# Construction Commencement Notice

Clay-DeWitt #3 & Clay-Teall #10 Rebuild Project

PSC Case 15-T-0305

Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation (doing business as “National Grid”) anticipates that it will commence site preparation and construction of its Clay-DeWitt & Clay-Teall Rebuild Project in Segment 4 on or about August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

The Project consists of relocating and selectively reconductoring and reconstructing an approximately 13-mile portion of National Grid’s existing 115kV Line 3 starting at the Clay Substation in the Town of Clay, New York (“Line 3”) and existing 115kV Line 10 that presently runs for approximately 16 miles from the Clay Substation to the Teall Substation in the Town of Salina, New York (“Line 10”) (collectively, Line 10 and Line 3 are referred to as the “Existing Lines”). These Existing Lines presently travel a distance of approximately 13 miles parallel to each other on the same right-of-way (“ROW”), the width of which varies from 80 feet to 300 feet.

The Project consists of replacing the conductor on the Existing Lines with new higher capacity conductor, replacing or modifying a majority of the structures associated with the Existing Lines, relocating some of the Existing Lines within the ROW, and relocating other portions of the Existing Lines to a different ROW corridor. Most of the rebuilt or relocated Project lines will be supported by either: weathering steel, monopole, phase-over-phase double circuit structures; or weathering steel, single circuit, delta davit arm suspension structures. The project is anticipated to conclude June of 2021.

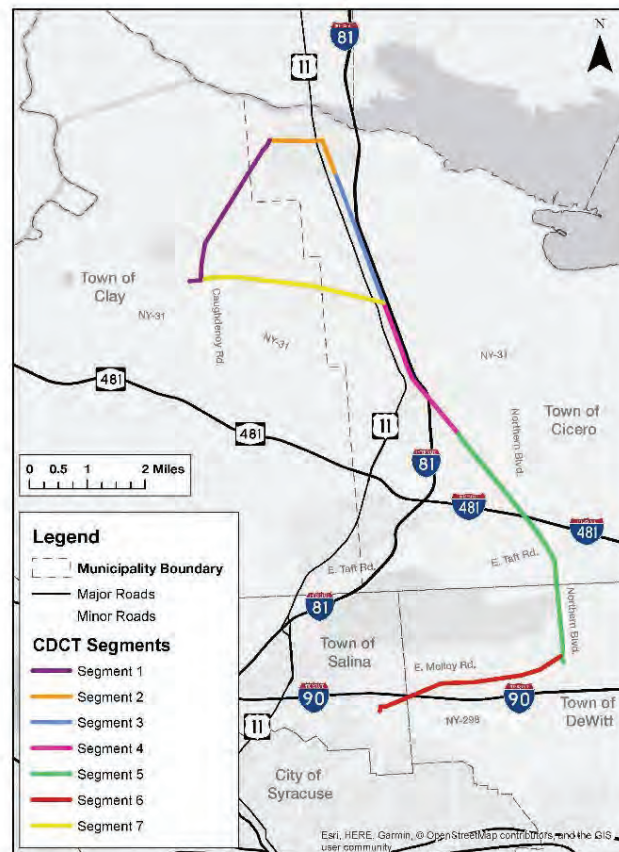
Any inquires or complaints during construction of the Project should be directed to:

**Eric Madia**

**National Grid Stakeholder Relations  
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Phone: 844-324-3589  
Email: [info@cdctrebuildproject.com](mailto:info@cdctrebuildproject.com)**

**Project Website:**

**[www.cdctrebuildproject.com](http://www.cdctrebuildproject.com)**



The Project is under the jurisdiction of the New York State Public Service Commission, which is responsible for enforcing compliance with environmental and construction conditions. The Public Service Commission may be contacted at:

**New York State Department of Public Service  
Environmental Compliance Section  
Contact: Ophelia Amegashie  
Empire State Plaza Agency Building 3  
Albany, NY 12223-1350  
Telephone: 1-518-474-8702  
[Ophelia.Amegashie@dps.ny.gov](mailto:Ophelia.Amegashie@dps.ny.gov)**

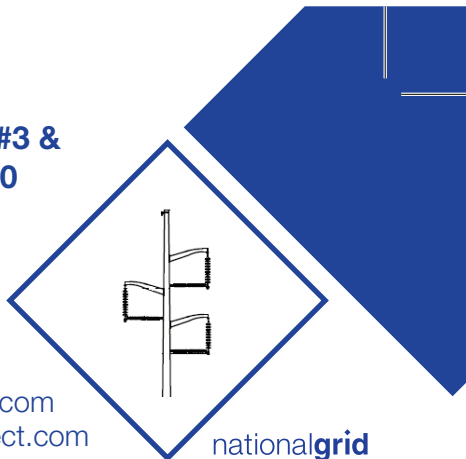
National Grid is giving this notice to local officials, emergency personnel and local media in the Project area and arranging for it to be displayed in public places.

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**Clay-DeWitt Line #3 &  
Clay-Teall Line #10  
Rebuild Project**

**Questions?**

844-324-3589  
CDCTRebuildProject.com  
info@cdctrebuildproject.com



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November 2019

Dear Property Owner:

During the vegetation clearing phase of the Clay – Dewitt, Clay - Teal 115kV Rebuild Project, National Grid will employ a variety of Integrated Vegetation Management (IVM) techniques. Mechanical clearing, hand cutting, mowing and selective herbicide applications are a few examples of such techniques.

The purpose of this notice is to give you timely information regarding herbicide applications to be implemented by our experienced, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation-licensed contractor in site-specific locations prescribed by the National Grid Forestry staff.

The herbicide application – as part of a planned IVM program – will enable National Grid to create stable, low-growing plant communities that require minimal maintenance.

All applications will be made in accordance with federal and state statutes and regulations and all of the requirements of the approved Environmental Management and Construction Plan (EM&CP) for this project.

The contractor that will be completing the work on this project will be BluRoc Land Clearing assisted by KW Reese, Inc. The contractor's representative is Mr. Tyson Shook, who may be contacted at 413-270-3183 during normal business hours. The products that will be used for the herbicide applications during this phase of the project will be Rodeo or a combination of Garlon 4 and Polaris (both for the treatment of stumps to prevent re-growth) depending on the time of year and site-specific conditions. The labels for these products can be accessed at <http://www.cdctrebuildproject.com/#herbicide> or by requesting a copy from the contractor's representative.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this herbicide application, please contact the contractor's representative. Also, if you have concerns regarding a water supply located within 100 feet of the right-of-way, or would like to know the specific 14-day period during which this application will be made, please call the contractor's representative listed above.

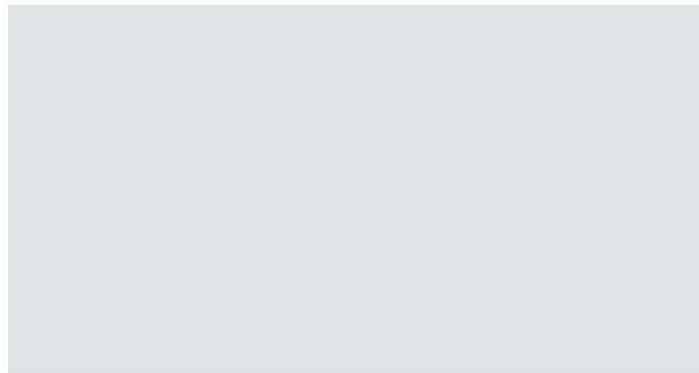
Thank you,

Jason Hudson  
National Grid Senior Forester

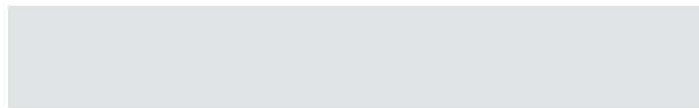
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**Clay-DeWitt #3 & Clay-Teall #10  
Rebuild Project**

Sorry we missed you!  
We want to let you know that:



If you have any questions, please contact us:



You can always find more  
information about the project at:  
**[www.CDCTRebuildProject.com](http://www.CDCTRebuildProject.com)**  
**844-324-3589 (Toll-Free)**

Thank you for your understanding.

**Project Update**



August 9th, 2019

**Clay-Dewitt and Clay-Teall Rebuild Project:  
Information Regarding Planned Construction Activities and Schedule**

Towns of Clay, Cicero, DeWitt and Salina in Onondaga County, New York

Dear Sir/Madam:

You are receiving this letter because you own or reside on property that will be crossed by or that abuts the Clay-Dewitt and Clay-Teall Rebuild Project (“Project”). The Project, to be performed by Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation (doing business as “National Grid”), consists of rebuilding the existing Clay-DeWitt Line 3 and Clay-Teall Line 10 115kV electric transmission lines in the Towns of Cicero, Clay, DeWitt, and Salina, all in Onondaga County. More information about the Project, including a Project map, can be found in the Construction Commencement Notice included with this letter.

The purpose of this letter is to give you information regarding the planned commencement of construction activities that will occur in your community. Selective tree and vegetation clearing and disposal, which is the first phase of site preparation and construction, is expected to start in your community within the next fourteen to forty-five days. After vegetation clearing is completed, National Grid’s contractors will commence with the installation of environmental controls and then construction of the transmission lines. This phase is anticipated to be conducted during 2019–2021. The final phase, ground surface restoration, is expected to conclude in the summer of 2021.

National Grid intends to maintain an updated schedule on the Project website, which is available at [www.cdctrebuildproject.com](http://www.cdctrebuildproject.com). When the Project is underway, specific schedule information about particular locations can be obtained by calling the Project hotline at (844)-324-3589.

National Grid is committed to the safety of its crews, contractors and customers. For your safety, please do not enter the Project site or rights-of-way during construction or tree clearing.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric Madia".

Eric Madia  
Stakeholder Relations, National Grid  
300 Erie Boulevard West  
Syracuse, NY 13202  
Phone: 1-844-324-3589  
Email: [info@cdctrebuildproject.com](mailto:info@cdctrebuildproject.com)

# Construction Commencement Notice

Clay-DeWitt #3 & Clay-Teall #10 Rebuild Project

PSC Case 15-T-0305

Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation (doing business as “National Grid”) anticipates that it will commence site preparation and construction of its Clay-DeWitt & Clay-Teall Rebuild Project in Segment 4 on or about August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

The Project consists of relocating and selectively reconductoring and reconstructing an approximately 13-mile portion of National Grid’s existing 115kV Line 3 starting at the Clay Substation in the Town of Clay, New York (“Line 3”) and existing 115kV Line 10 that presently runs for approximately 16 miles from the Clay Substation to the Teall Substation in the Town of Salina, New York (“Line 10”) (collectively, Line 10 and Line 3 are referred to as the “Existing Lines”). These Existing Lines presently travel a distance of approximately 13 miles parallel to each other on the same right-of-way (“ROW”), the width of which varies from 80 feet to 300 feet.

The Project consists of replacing the conductor on the Existing Lines with new higher capacity conductor, replacing or modifying a majority of the structures associated with the Existing Lines, relocating some of the Existing Lines within the ROW, and relocating other portions of the Existing Lines to a different ROW corridor. Most of the rebuilt or relocated Project lines will be supported by either: weathering steel, monopole, phase-over-phase double circuit structures; or weathering steel, single circuit, delta davit arm suspension structures. The project is anticipated to conclude June of 2021.

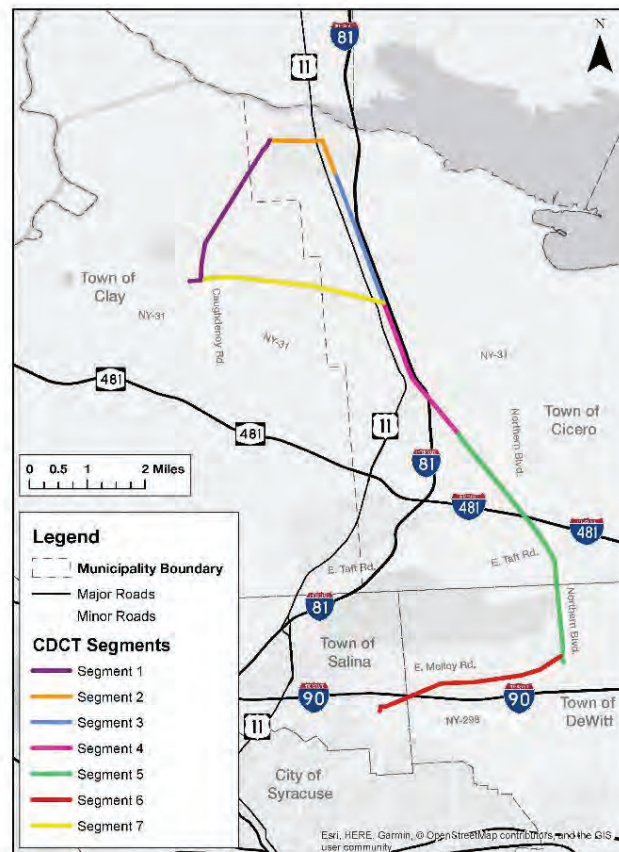
Any inquires or complaints during construction of the Project should be directed to:

**Eric Madia**

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300 Erie Boulevard West, Syracuse, NY 13202  
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Email: [info@cdctrebuildproject.com](mailto:info@cdctrebuildproject.com)**

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The Project is under the jurisdiction of the New York State Public Service Commission, which is responsible for enforcing compliance with environmental and construction conditions. The Public Service Commission may be contacted at:

**New York State Department of Public Service  
Environmental Compliance Section  
Contact: Ophelia Amegashie  
Empire State Plaza Agency Building 3  
Albany, NY 12223-1350  
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[Ophelia.Amegashie@dps.ny.gov](mailto:Ophelia.Amegashie@dps.ny.gov)**

National Grid is giving this notice to local officials, emergency personnel and local media in the Project area and arranging for it to be displayed in public places.

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# CLAY-DEWITT AND CLAY-TEALL REBUILD PROJECT

A major 115kV electric transmission line rebuild project in Central New York, brought to you by National Grid.

[Download the Fact Sheet \(/assets/fact-sheet/CDCT Fact Sheet 04302019.pdf\)](/assets/fact-sheet/CDCT Fact Sheet 04302019.pdf)

## PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Clay-DeWitt and Clay-Teall Rebuild Project is a 115,000 volt (or, 115kV) electric transmission line project that will enhance the reliability of the electric system in the Syracuse area. The project will be constructed in the communities of Clay, Cicero, DeWitt and Salina, in Onondaga County, New York

## PROJECT BENEFITS

The purpose and benefit of the Clay-DeWitt and Clay-Teall Rebuild Project is reliability of the transmission system, meaning that it will help strengthen the electric grid in Central New York to avoid disruption of electrical service. The Clay-DeWitt Line #3 and Clay-Teall Line #10 are important for transmission of safe, reliable electricity to the greater Syracuse area. Along with reliability benefits, the Project would provide:

- Less dependence on localized electrical generating facilities, thus promoting greater electrical generation diversity (e.g., renewables);**
- Replacement of aging infrastructure with modern equipment;**
- Greater reliability for businesses and the local economy.**

# PERMITTING

## **Article VII**

The Project team worked with various state and federal agencies to receive approval and certification for the Project, which began with an application to the New York State Public Service Commission (PSC, or Commission) for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need ("Certificate") under Article VII of the State Public Service Law [Ⓞ](http://www3.dps.ny.gov/W/PSCWeb.nsf/96f0fec0b45a3c6485257688006a701a/a021e67e05b99ead85257687006f393b/%24FILE/19336071.pdf/Article%20VII%20Final.pdf) (<http://www3.dps.ny.gov/W/PSCWeb.nsf/96f0fec0b45a3c6485257688006a701a/a021e67e05b99ead85257687006f393b/%24FILE/19336071.pdf/Article%20VII%20Final.pdf>). The Article VII process involves an evaluation of all potential impacts from the Project and includes a detailed environmental impact assessment. Other agencies, like the Department of Agriculture and Markets and the Department of Environmental Conservation, are parties to the Article VII process. The Commission issued an order granting the Project its Certificate on April 23, 2018, allowing for the Project to be constructed.

## **Environmental Management & Construction Plan**

National Grid received approval by the PSC of the Project's Environmental Management and Construction Plan (EM&CP) on June 13, 2019. The EM&CP includes best practices for construction as well as the Project's final design.

With the EM&CP approved, DPS will issue a Notice to Proceed with Construction. The community, including affected landowners, will receive a Construction Commencement Notice before the start of construction.

## **Other Permits**

Permits from other agencies are also required before construction can start. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will issue a permit under the Clean Water Act for construction activities in any waters under its jurisdiction (these typically include wetlands in upstate New York). The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) also reviews the project and makes determinations regarding structure heights and proximity to air fields. New York State Department of Transportation (DOT) permits will also be required for various Project road crossings.

The permitting process includes opportunities for public involvement and comment from permitting through construction. To contact National Grid with a question or comment, click the "Contact Us" link above.

## **How to Become a Party**

Interested persons who wish to participate as parties in this case may file for party status with the PSC. This may be done through the Commission's web site. From the home page of the Commission's web site ([www.dps.ny.gov](http://www.dps.ny.gov) [Ⓞ](http://www.dps.ny.gov/) (<http://www.dps.ny.gov/>)), a prospective party should click on "Search." On the Search page, the "Search by Case Number" box should be filled in with the number for this case (15-T-0305). This will bring the user to the main Document and Matter Management ("DMM") page for this case. On that page, the prospective party should click the button at the upper right labeled "Request for Party Status" to see a web page with instructions for the procedures to follow to become a party. An application to become a party to this case can be filed anytime while the case remains open with the Commission.

# DOCUMENTS LIBRARY

- All related documents on the PSC Website, including EM&CP [Ⓞ](http://documents.dps.ny.gov/public/MatterManagement/CaseMaster.aspx?MatterCaseNo=15-t-0305&submit=Search) (<http://documents.dps.ny.gov/public/MatterManagement/CaseMaster.aspx?MatterCaseNo=15-t-0305&submit=Search>)
- Construction Commencement Notice (</assets/CDCT-ConstructionCommencementNotice.pdf>)

## Project Visualizations

- Segment 1 (</assets/simulations/segment-1.pdf>)
- Segment 2 (</assets/simulations/segment-2.pdf>)
- Segment 3 (no visualization at this time)
- Segment 4 (</assets/simulations/segment-4.pdf>)
- Segment 5 (</assets/simulations/segment-5.pdf>)
- Segment 6 (</assets/simulations/segment-6.pdf>)
- Segment 7 (</assets/simulations/segment-7.pdf>)



# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is the timeline of the Project from start to finish?

What is the proposed height of the new structures?

Where can I get more information about the Project?

Will National Grid be acquiring property and easements?

Can National Grid acquire additional rights without landowner knowledge?

Can National Grid use or cross private property without permission?

How will National Grid limit access to the ROW during the construction of the project? Are all-terrain vehicles prohibited from entering it?

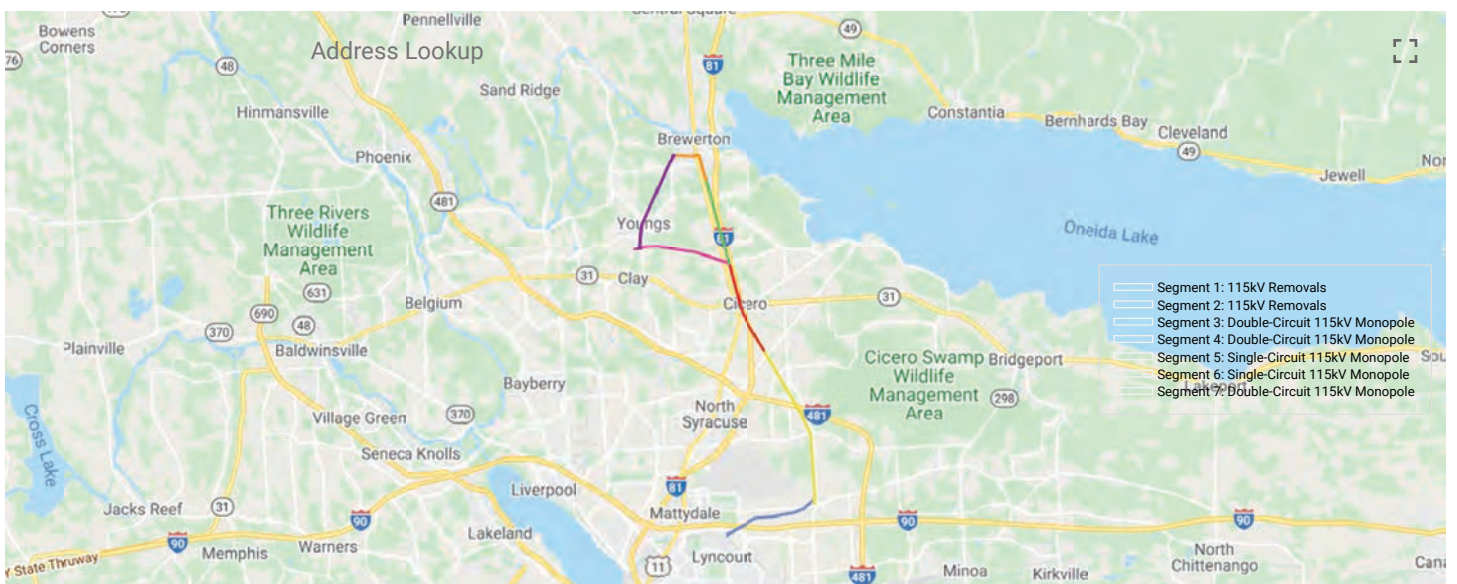
What will occur on National Grid's property and within vegetation management easement areas?

Did National Grid explore other construction/design options?

Why won't the lines be placed underground?

Will the rebuilt lines provide an improvement?

## PROJECT MAP



(<https://maps.google.com/maps?ll=43.160426,-76.124347&z=11&t=m&hl=en-US&gl=US&mapclient=apiv3>) East Syracuse Map data ©2020 Google

## PROJECT SEGMENTS

The Project is comprised of seven segments, each with a unique transmission corridor and construction plan. Below are descriptions of each segment. For segment locations, please see the Project Map above.

**Segment 1 (/assets/simulations/segment-1.pdf)** begins at the Clay Substation near the intersection of Caughdenoy Road and Verplank Road, travels northeast for 2.72 miles, ending near the intersection of Clarecastle Path and Longford Path. Currently, the corridor contains three single-circuit 115kV H-frame structures standing approximately 57—65 feet tall. The two outside structures and their conductors (wires) would be removed, leaving one existing single-circuit 115kV H-frame structure that stands approximately 65 feet tall. The structures that are removed would not be replaced.

**Segment 2 (/assets/simulations/segment-2.pdf)** Located in the Town of Cicero, Segment 2 begins near the intersection of Clarecastle Path and Longford Path, travels east then southeast for 1.31 miles, ending at the Bartell Road Substation, south of St. Elmos Drive. Currently, the corridor contains one double-circuit 115kV lattice structure, standing approximately 57 feet tall, along with a shorter 34.5kV sub-transmission pole for a portion of the segment. The 115kV lattice structures and conductor would be removed and not replaced.

**Segment 3** Located in the Town of Cicero, Segment 3 begins at the Bartell Road Substation south of St. Elmos Drive, travels southeast for 2.19 miles and ends near the intersection of State Route 11 and Meltzer Court. Currently, the corridor contains one double-circuit 115kV lattice structure, standing approximately 65 feet tall, along with a 34.5kV sub-transmission pole that stands approximately 39 feet tall. The 115kV lattice structure would be removed and replaced with a double-circuit 115kV monopole structure made of weathering steel, standing approximately 80 feet tall. The centerline of the new monopole structure would be placed approximately 50 feet from the edge of the existing transmission right-of-way.

**Segment 4 (/assets/simulations/segment-4.pdf)** Located in the Town of Cicero, Segment 4 begins near the intersection of State Route 11 and Meltzer Court, travels southeast for 2.55 miles and ends near where the transmission corridor crosses Darby Road. Currently, the corridor contains a double-circuit 115kV lattice structure, standing approximately 65 feet tall, along with a 34.5kV sub-transmission pole that stands approximately 39 feet tall. The 115kV lattice structure would be removed and replaced with a double-circuit 115kV monopole structure made of weathering steel, ranging from approximately 80 feet to 110 feet tall. In some areas, the structure centerline will remain the same as existing for the corridor; in other areas, the structure centerline will shift. For specific structure height and centerline questions, please contact the Project team via the "Contact Us" link above.

**Segment 5 (/assets/simulations/segment-5.pdf)** Located in the Towns of Cicero and DeWitt, Segment 5 begins near where the transmission corridor crosses Darby Road, travels southeast for 4.18 miles and ends near the junction of Northern Boulevard and East Molloy Road. Currently, the corridor contains two single-circuit 115kV H-frame structures that stand approximately 57—65 feet tall. Some areas of the corridor also contain a double-circuit 115kV lattice structure that stands approximately 65 feet tall, and a 34.5kV sub-transmission pole that stands approximately 34 feet tall. For the first 2.27 miles of the corridor, both existing 115kV H-frame structures would be removed and replaced with two single-circuit 115kV monopole structures standing approximately 80 feet tall and made of weathering steel. For the next 1.91 miles, the westernmost existing 115kV H-frame would be removed and replaced with a single-circuit 115kV monopole structure, also standing approximately 80 feet tall and made of weathering steel. The 115kV structures' centerline will be shifted to the east.

**Segment 6 (/assets/simulations/segment-6.pdf)** Located in the Towns of DeWitt and Salina, Segment 6 begins near the junction of Northern Boulevard and East Molloy Road, travels southwest for 2.58 miles and ends at the Teall Avenue Substation near the intersection of Townline Road and Factory Avenue. Currently, the corridor contains four separate single-circuit 115kV H-frame structures, standing approximately 57 feet tall, and one 34.5kV sub-transmission pole standing approximately 34 feet tall. The northernmost H-frame structure would be removed and replaced with one single-circuit 115kV monopole structure made of weathering steel, standing approximately 80 feet tall. The structure centerline would be the same as what exists today.

**Segment 7 (/assets/simulations/segment-7.pdf)** Located in the Towns of Clay and Cicero, Segment 7 begins at the Clay Substation near the intersection of Caughdenoy Road and Verplank Road, travels southeast for 2.5 miles and ends near the intersection of State Route 11 and Meltzer Court. The corridor currently contains two single-circuit 345kV lattice structures standing approximately 87 feet tall, and one double-circuit 345/115kV lattice structure standing approximately 134 feet tall. A new double-circuit 115kV monopole structure made of weathering steel and standing approximately 95 feet tall would be constructed on the southern end of the corridor. No structures would be removed from the corridor.

## CONSTRUCTION PROCESS

Rebuilding an electric transmission line involves a variety of activities set out in phases:



**1. Site Preparation:**

The first phase of site preparation and construction is tree and brush clearing. Clearing allows construction crews to build access roads and remove any trees that are in danger of falling into the transmission lines. Marshaling yards will be established to house materials and construction crews.



**2. Environmental Controls:**

Next, environmental controls will be installed to mitigate construction impacts to the area. These can include matting, silt fence, concrete washouts, among others.



**3. Transmission Line Rebuilding:**

The next phase is transmission line rebuilding, where foundations are poured, structures are spotted and erected, and new wire is strung and energized. Old structures are removed from the transmission right-of-way. This work is done with a variety of equipment, including cranes and other heavy equipment, using temporary work pads.



**4. Restoration:**

The final phase of construction is ground surface restoration, in which the construction area is restored to the condition it was in before construction.

# CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE

2020

2019

- 07/27/2020: Construction Update
  - Crews plan to continue installation of erosion and sediment controls, construction entrances, roads, work pads in Segments 4, and 7 near Brewerton Road and Burnett Road.
  - Restoration work is actively occurring in Segment 4.
  - Foundation work is anticipated to continue in Segment 1.
  - Crews anticipate to continue wire work in Segment 5 specifically near Darby Road, Hiller Drive, and Hyacinth Lane.
    - *Due to unforeseen circumstances, construction crews will be working in the right-of-way until approximately 8:00 pm from Wednesday, July 29 – Saturday, August 1 in this area of Segment 5. Crews may need to complete the work on Sunday, August 2. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause, and appreciate your understanding*
- 07/13/2020: Construction Update
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# HERBICIDE INFORMATION

During the vegetation clearing phase of the Project, National Grid will employ a variety of Integrated Vegetation Management (IVM) techniques. Mechanical clearing, hand cutting, mowing and selective herbicide applications are a few examples of such techniques. This work will be conducted by New York State Department of Conservation-licensed contractors in site-specific locations prescribed by National Grid Forestry staff. The herbicide application—as part of a planned IVM program—will enable National Grid to create stable, low-growing plant communities that require minimal maintenance. The labels for each of the herbicides to be used can be found below. The herbicide letter that is being distributed can be found here (/assets/CDCT-Herbicide/112019-CDCTHerbicideLetter.pdf).

- Escort XP (/assets/CDCT-Herbicide-072019/Escort XP.pdf)
- Garlon 4 Ultra (/assets/CDCT-Herbicide-072019/Garlon 4 Ultra.pdf)
- Krenite (/assets/CDCT-Herbicide-072019/Krenite.pdf)
- Milestone (/assets/CDCT-Herbicide-072019/Milestone.pdf)
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- Tordon 22K (/assets/CDCT-Herbicide-072019/Tordon 22K.pdf)
- Vastlan (/assets/CDCT-Herbicide-072019/Vastlan.pdf)

## GET IN TOUCH

For more information about the Clay-DeWitt and Clay-Teall Rebuild Project, please send us an email (mailto:info@cdctrebuildproject.com) or call us at (844) 324-3589.

### Contact Us With a Question or Complaint

Please use the form below to submit a question or complaint for this project to National Grid.

**National Grid**

P: (Phone) (844) 324-3589 (tel:8443243589)

E: (Email) info@cdctrebuildproject.com (mailto:info@cdctrebuildproject.com)

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# Project Introduction Letter

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Energy plays a critical role in our day-to-day lives and ensures the well-being of our community. That's why we are investing in infrastructure upgrades that will help us to provide safe and reliable natural gas to our customers for years to come.

### We will be working in your neighborhood.

National Grid will be performing infrastructure upgrades in your area.

**Date:** To begin in July 2019

**Completion time:** Typically, within 90 days from construction start.

**Construction days and hours:** Monday - Friday 7 AM – 4 PM (outside of major intersections and occasional non-weekday work may be required)

**Where:** Stewart Avenue, South Avenue, 6<sup>th</sup> Street.

**Traffic:** Will remain open during construction hours. A traffic flagger will be on-site during work hours to safely direct vehicles. When construction is done for the day the site will be secured and plated allowing regular traffic to resume. Safety is our priority, please be mindful of the site during and after construction hours.

### What you can expect during construction.

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- Excavation of the street and/or sidewalk
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Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Joe Fedele  
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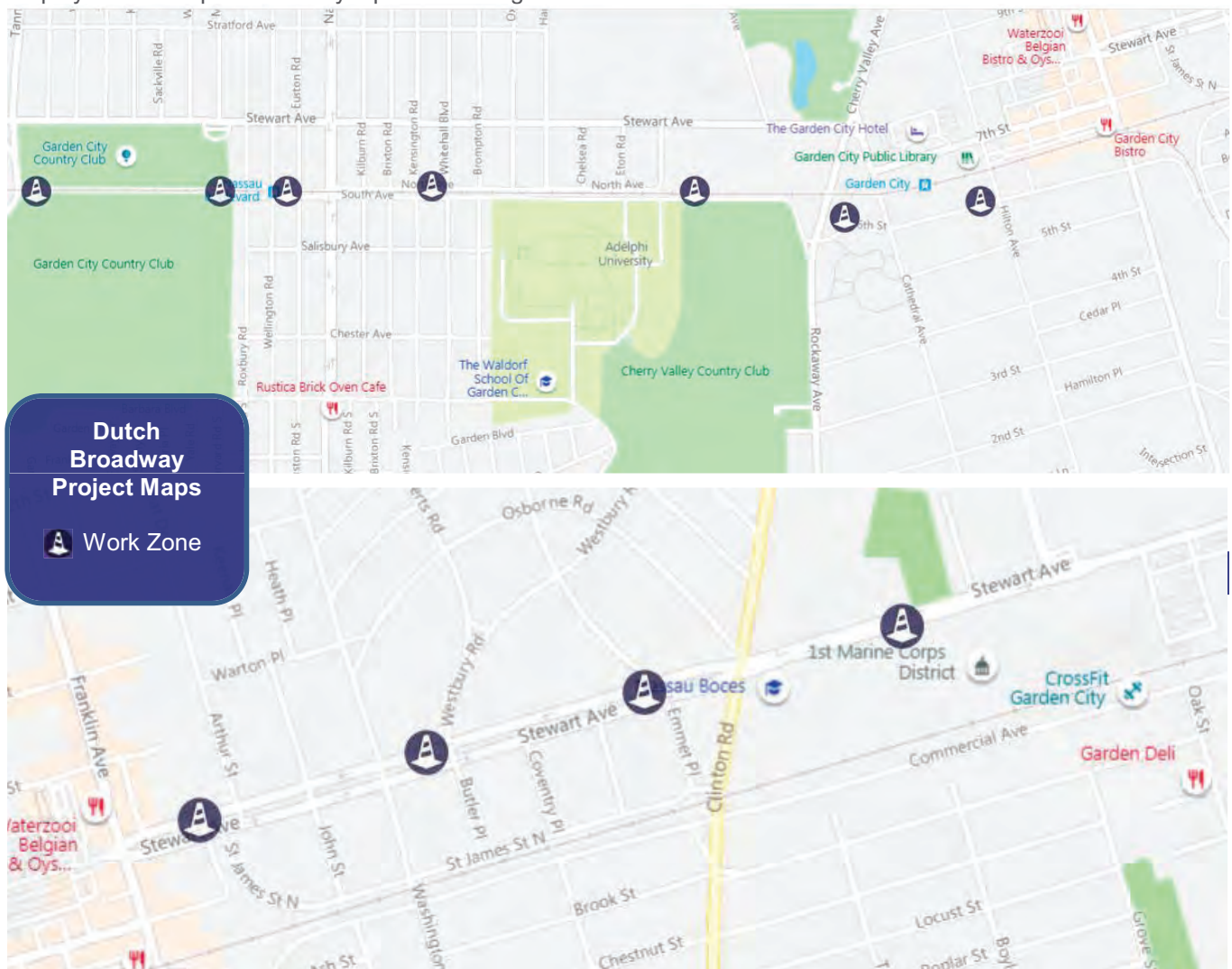
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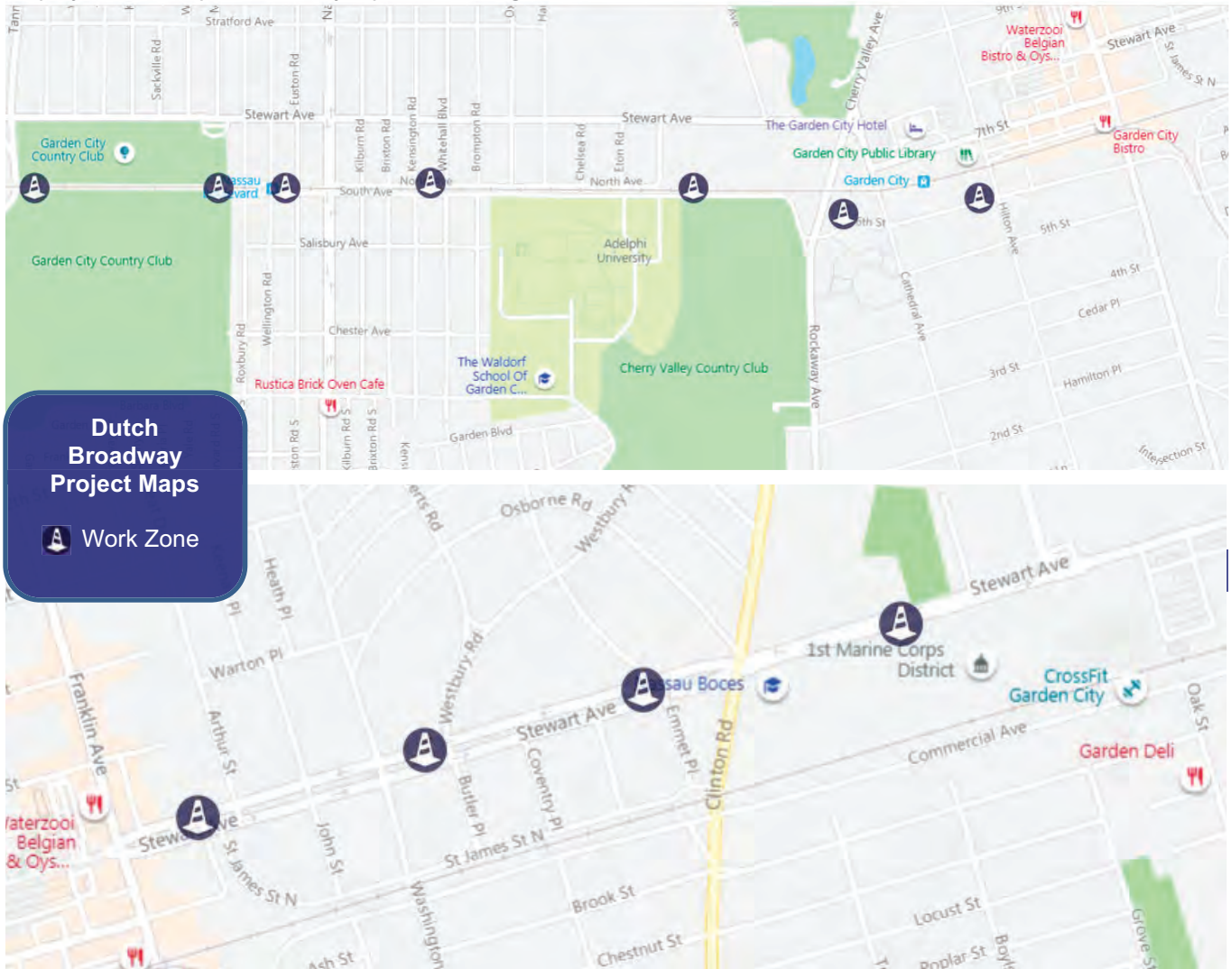
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As a continuation of the work that was done in your area in 2018; National Grid will be performing follow up work.

**Date:** To begin in July 2019.

**Completion time:** Typically, within 45 days from construction start.

**Construction days and hours:** Monday - Friday 7 AM – 4 PM (occasional non-weekday work may be required)

**Where:** At Dutch Broadway & Ridge Road, North Valley Stream, Makofske Avenue & Marguerite Avenue, Elmont and Roosevelt Avenue & Admont Avenue, Franklin Square.

**Traffic:** Will be open but modified during construction hours. A traffic flagger will be on-site during work hours to safely direct vehicles. When construction is done for the day the site will be secured and plated allowing regular traffic to resume. Safety is our priority, please be mindful of the site during and after construction hours. Please plan ahead and use alternate routes if possible.

### **What you can expect during construction.**

Typical construction used to facilitate robotic inspection include:

- Marking out underground utilities within the project scope area (e.g., water, sewer, gas, electric, etc.)
- Excavation of the street and/or sidewalk to expose pipe.
- Additional piping constructed onto existing pipe to facilitate robotic insertion
- Charging and deployment of robot for inspection
- Noise will accompany all activities of the project
- Temporary disruption of street parking
- Temporary and then permanent restoration of disturbed areas in accordance with DOT specifications.

### **Scam Awareness – Important Reminders:**

- National Grid employees and contractors carry photo identification cards. If someone requests entry into your home or business and does not show the proper ID, don't let that person in. Please call National Grid at 1-718-643-4050 or your local law enforcement.
- National Grid does not seek payment in the field for work being performed. If you are asked for money as it relates to these services, do not provide it and please call us immediately.

### **For our current National Grid customers.**

There will be no interruption to your gas service during this project.

**We're here for you if you have any questions about the project.** Please call me at **(631) 755-6753**.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,  
Joe Fedele  
Stakeholder Specialist  
[Joseph.Fedele@nationalgrid.com](mailto:Joseph.Fedele@nationalgrid.com)  
631.755.6753

### **Smell gas. Act fast.**

MOVE your family and pets to a safe area outside, and call 911 or alert National Grid's gas emergency contact number 1-800-490-0045 on Long Island and the Rockaway Peninsula. Never assume someone else will call.

### Planned construction in your neighborhood

National Grid is writing to notify you of plans to perform a project in your neighborhood. This project will be taking place at Dutch Broadway & Ridge Road, North Valley Stream, Makofske Avenue & Marguerite Avenue, Elmont and Roosevelt Avenue & Admont Avenue, Franklin Square.

The project will help us inspect the integrity and strength of the existing pipe in order to determine if any repairs are needed. Construction is scheduled to begin in July, 2019. **Please refer to the map on this page for your reference.**

Multiple traffic flaggers will be on-site during hours of construction to assist and direct vehicles during construction. Once construction is completed for the day, the site will be secured, and plates will secure the pits so regular traffic may resume. **Please refer to the other side of this document for more details on the project.**



We are committed to the safety of our crews, contractors and our customers. For your safety, please do not enter the work areas during construction. If you smell gas, dial 9-1-1 immediately. Also, be aware that all National Grid employees are required to carry a photo ID badge.

We all appreciate your cooperation and assistance as we safely move forward with this project. We value your community, input and support. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns regarding the project.

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# Dutch Broadway: Important South Avenue Update

*Ongoing work in your neighborhood: 09/24/2019*

National Grid is working to modernize the existing gas line on South Avenue. Due to unexpected difficulties, our work will be running later than originally expected this evening.

Our crews are currently completing welding and the process cannot be stopped until we are complete. Unfortunately, welding work will be ongoing until late tonight, around 11:00 PM.

We sincerely apologize for any inconvenience this may bring to you and your families. We are proactively working to mitigate any sound, noise and other potential impacts that may arise with this type of work.

We thank you for your understanding and patience during this time-sensitive work. Please do not hesitate to contact me for any questions



**For questions about this project,  
contact: Joe Fedele  
Stakeholder Management  
National Grid  
Cell: 516-382-6916  
[joseph.fedele@nationalgrid.com](mailto:joseph.fedele@nationalgrid.com)**

# Project Introduction Letter

## Dutch Broadway



This is an important notice. Please have it translated.

Este é um aviso importante. Queira mandá-lo traduzir.  
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Это очень важное сообщение.  
 Пожалуйста, попросите чтобы  
 вам его перевели.

Dear Sir or Madam,

Energy plays a critical role in our day-to-day lives and ensures the well-being of our community. That's why we are investing in infrastructure upgrades that will help us to provide safe and reliable natural gas to our customers for years to come.

### We will be working in your neighborhood.

National Grid will be performing infrastructure upgrades in your area.

**Date:** To begin in July 2019, typically within 15 days from this notification.

**Completion time:** Typically, within 90 days from construction start.

**Construction days and hours:** Monday - Friday 9 AM – 4 PM (occasional non-weekday work may be required)

**Where:** Stewart Avenue.

**Traffic:** Will remain open during construction hours. A traffic flagger will be on-site during work hours to safely direct vehicles. When construction is done for the day the site will be secured and plated allowing regular traffic to resume. Safety is our priority, please be mindful of the site during and after construction hours.

### What you can expect during construction.

Typical natural gas main replacement includes:

- Marking out underground utilities within the project scope area (e.g., water, sewer, gas, electric, etc)
- Excavation of the street and/or sidewalk and laying of new gas main
- Temporary disruption of street parking
- Temporary and then permanent restoration of disturbed areas in accordance with DOT specifications.
- Replacing National Grid gas customer's individual gas service lines, where required, and connecting the piping to the new main
- In accordance with NTS requirements, in most instances National Grid gas meters will need to be relocated to the outside of the home or business (no charge).

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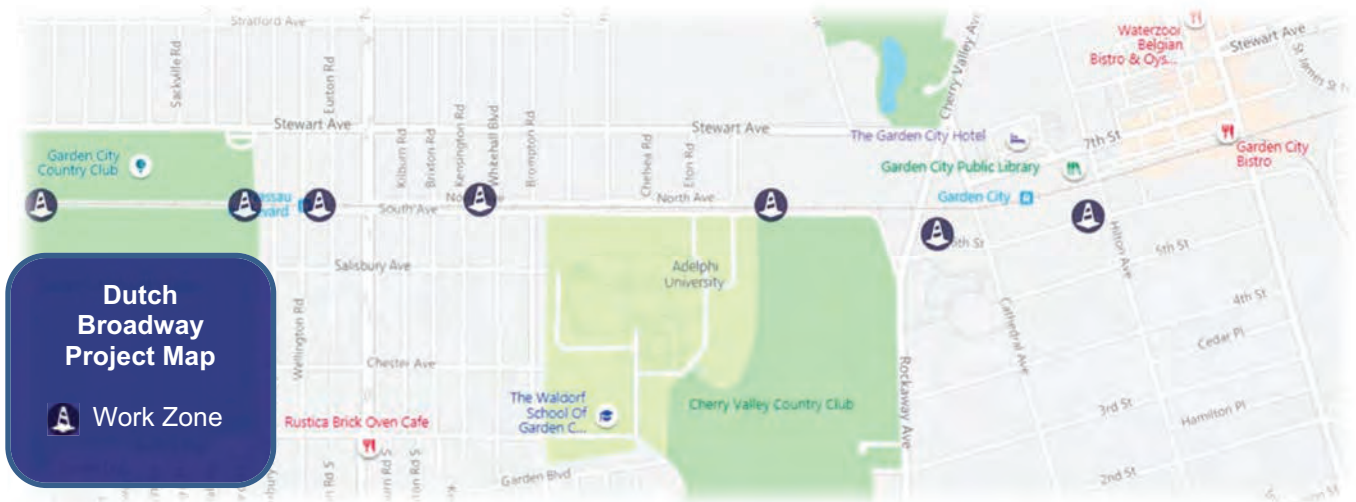
# Project: Dutch Broadway

## Planned construction in your neighborhood

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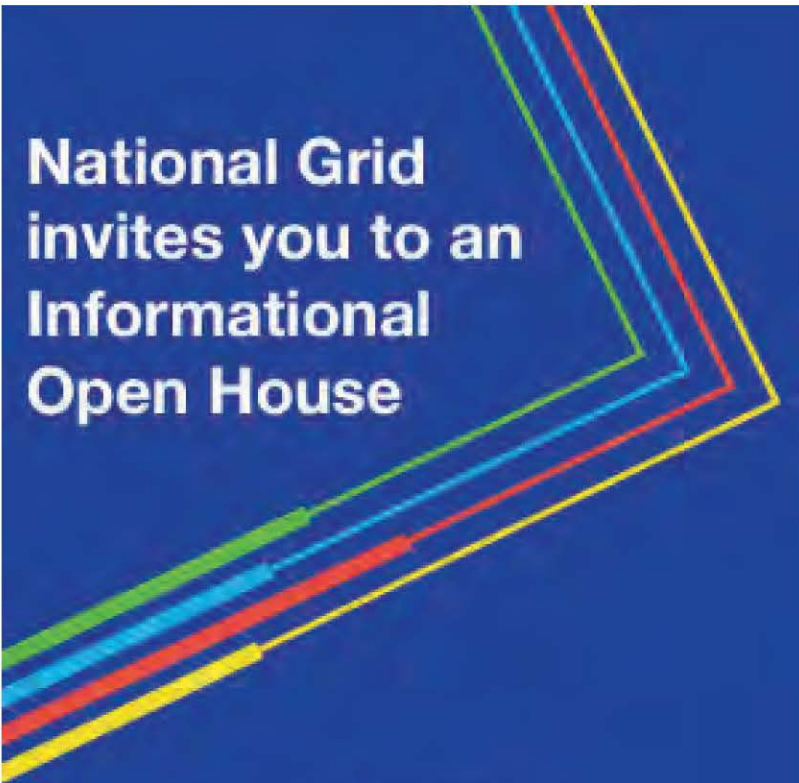
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## Greater Capital Region Infrastructure Resiliency Initiatives



### Delivering Reliability and a Clean Energy Future for our Customers

National Grid is investing and partnering to ensure natural gas reliability and resiliency for our customers in the Greater Capital Region, including Albany, Schenectady, Saratoga and the surrounding areas. Our multifaceted approach will reinforce reliability for more than 265,000 eastern New York customers, mitigate regional supply constraints – especially on the coldest days – and help deliver a clean energy future. To help achieve these goals, we are leading the way on a number of renewable natural gas, or RNG, solutions:

- **A demand response project** that will use advanced technology to help Albany-area commercial customers use less natural gas during periods of peak demand. The voluntary program will begin in the 2019/2020 heating season
- Establishing **injection stations for renewable natural gas** and compressed natural gas to add new supply into the existing eastern New York system.
- Working with eastern New York farmers to turn methane from **farm waste into renewable gas**
- Delivering energy efficiency programs to help upstate New York customers **save ~40 million therms** over the last decade, enough natural gas to energize 42,000 homes for a year
- Leading a collaborative effort to **develop gas quality standards and streamline RNG connection processes**
- Examining other upstate New York **renewable natural gas alternatives, including biomass and hydrogen blending**, in a collaborative process with other partners and stakeholders
- Delivering, in partnership with New York City, a first-of-its-kind initiative to **inject renewable gas from wastewater and food waste** into our gas distribution system (Newtown Creek Renewable Gas Project)
- Partnering with NYSEERDA to determine the effectiveness of residential **geothermal heating and cooling** on Long Island
- Authoring an RNG whitepaper on **the value of RNG** as an alternative energy source, which includes a **roadmap for implementation**
- **Partnering with the American Gas Association** to analyze RNG's potential nationwide

There is no doubt: a **clean energy transition is good for our customers and the economy**, and it's the right thing to do. All of these initiatives are innovative and will help deliver New York's renewable energy goals. The challenge is that they are relatively small in size and will take time to implement. **In fact, even if they were simultaneously available today in eastern New York, these initiatives still would not be enough to provide our customers with the resiliency and reliability they need in the near term.**

That is why, along with aggressively pursuing these initiatives, **we need the eastern New York Reliability and Resiliency Project**. This will allow us to use existing infrastructure more efficiently while continuing to add RNG to our portfolio.

### Pipeline E37 Reliability and Resiliency Project

While National Grid continues to lead the way on compressed and renewable natural gas initiatives, we also are ensuring the near-term resiliency and reliability of our existing gas system through our Pipeline E37 Reliability and Resiliency, or RRP. Through the RRP, we will reinforce our infrastructure to alleviate capacity constraints on our delivery system and reduce the risk of service interruptions that could impact regional customers, especially during periods of extreme cold weather. Our forecasts show that beginning as early as next winter (2019-2020), we will not have sufficient gas capacity to meet our customers' peak-day demand in the Greater Capital Region.

Additionally, without this project, National Grid may not be able to support new customer requests for service in the region, potentially forcing businesses and homeowners to turn to more expensive and less environmentally sound sources of fuel for heat. Along with pursuing renewable gas initiatives, **it is critical that the existing gas infrastructure be reinforced to ensure continued safe and reliable delivery to customers.**

#### The Pipeline E37 RRP will:

- **Enhance reliability** in the event of loss of gas supply
- **Complement National Grid's multi-faceted strategy** to reinforce existing gas service and introduce renewable gas alternatives to help meet New York's aggressive clean energy goals
- **Mitigate supply constraints and meet peak-hour system demands**
- Diversify the gas supply portfolio to **reduce dependence on limited supply pipelines**
- **Improve system reliability** for 265,000 existing customers as well as allow for continued system growth
- Provide an **additional 40,000 dekatherms of gas** each day to meet customer demand

## An ‘All of the Above’ Approach to Ensure our Customers’ Energy Needs are Met

The Pipeline E37 Reliability and Resiliency Project (RRP) is essential to ensure we continue to meet our customers’ near-term energy needs in the Greater Capital Region. The infrastructure reinforcement initiative was approved by state regulators in March 2018 as part of National Grid’s multi-party, three-year rate agreement. The RRP currently is undergoing state and federal permitting processes and we are hopeful it will be approved in time to meet our eastern New York customers’ 2021/2022 winter energy demand.

To be clear, National Grid remains committed to advancing new technologies and non-pipeline alternatives. We will continue to pursue renewable gas projects and other innovative technologies across New York (see page 1). However - and importantly - we have an obligation to serve our customers. The bottom line: to meet our customers’ near-term needs, we must be pragmatic. That means striking the balance between the scalability of RNG initiatives and reinforcing our existing infrastructure to meet customer demand. The RRP will maximize existing infrastructure and deliver improved reliability, resiliency and affordability – all while supporting regional clean energy goals to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Without the RRP, new customers and economic development projects may go elsewhere or may resort to less clean alternatives. In the near term, we believe the RRP will satisfy customer demand and support the region’s economic vitality.

## The Greater Capital Region: By the Numbers

**Regional Economic Development Investment:  
More than \$93M in regional business since 2003**

### Geography

Square miles	7,218
Counties	13
Cities, towns & villages	207

### Gas Customers: 265,000

Residential	244,500
Commercial	20,000
Industrial	500

### Electric Customers: 560,000

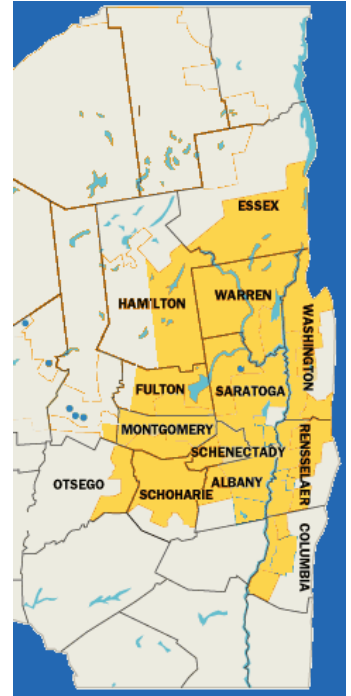
Residential	496,000
Commercial	60,000
Industrial	4,000

### Gas Delivery System

Pipe (miles)	4,096
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### Electricity Delivery System

Overhead Lines (miles)	11,500
Underground (miles)	3,200
Substations	>200



## Project Details

- This project will maximize the existing infrastructure by joining two sections of our system together to create a “loop” that will reinforce safe, reliable service. The majority of construction will be completed on National Grid–owned land.
- The need for natural gas increases about one percent each year in our region. We project that we will be unable to serve additional gas needs by the end of 2021 or earlier unless the eastern New York Reliability and Resiliency Project is completed.
- This project is part of a larger plan that includes renewable and compressed gas as well as other sources of energy.
- Support of this effort will ensure the ability for National Grid to provide natural gas service safely and reliably to existing and potential new customers in eastern New York.
- We are near the capacity of our natural gas system in eastern New York and need to reinforce our existing infrastructure to continue providing service to more than 265,000 customers in the Greater Capital Region.

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that opportunities for public information and comment will be held, as follows:

Date: Wednesday, April 10, 2019
Location: The Red Barn 99 Town Park Road East Greenbush, NY 12061
Times: 2:00 p.m. Information Forum 3:00 p.m. Public Statement Hearing 6:00 p.m. Information Forum 7:00 p.m. Public Statement Hearing

During the scheduled informational forums, maps of the proposed route will be on display. National Grid representatives will be available to answer questions about the Project, and a representative from the New York State Department of Public Service Staff will give a short presentation on the review process in this case. The public is welcome to stop in at any time during the informational forums to review information and ask questions.

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Although comments submitted via these alternate means will be accepted throughout the pendency of this proceeding, they are requested by April 24, 2019. Written comments received by the Department will become part of the record considered by the Commission. Written comments may be viewed online (go to www.dps.ny.gov) and may be viewed online (go to www.dps.ny.gov).

MUELLER REPORT Barr's summary is in dispute

Some investigators say AG didn't reflect findings accurately. By Nicholas Fawcett, Michael S. Schmidt and Mark Mazetti. The New York Times.

Washington. Some of Robert Mueller's investigators have told associates that Attorney General William Barr failed to accurately portray the findings of their inquiry and that they were more troubled by President Donald Trump than Barr indicated, according to government officials and others familiar with their frustrations.

At stake in the dispute is how the public's initial understanding of the government investigation. Some members of Mueller's team are concerned that Attorney Barr's initial report to Congress, which was the first narrative of the special counsel's findings, Americans' views will have hardened before the investigation's conclusions become public.

Barr has said he would move quickly to release the nearly 400-page report but needed time to scrub out confidential information. The special counsel's investigators had already written multiple summaries of the report, and some team members believe that Barr should have included more of their analysis in the four-page letter he wrote on March 24 laying out their main conclusions, according to government officials familiar with the investigation.

However, the special counsel's office never asked Barr to release the summaries, and he has not. The Justice Department quickly determined that the summaries contain sensitive information. The classified material, some grand jury testimony and information related to current federal investigations that must remain confidential, according to two government officials.

Barr was also wary of departing from Justice Department practice not to disclose derogatory details in doing an investigation, according to two government officials familiar with Barr's thinking. The chief of staff and others interviewed declined to discuss why some of the special counsel's investigators viewed their findings as potentially more damaging to the president than Barr's report indicated, although the report is believed to be the first FBI Director James Comey and his attorney Robert Mueller, and Attorney General Jeff Sessions to see the report to oversee the inquiry.

The fallout from Barr's report is being seen by some in the investigation as a sign of the Justice Department's unwillingness to take on the president. Barr's critics say the report is a sign of the Justice Department's unwillingness to take on the president.

At the same time, Barr and his advisers have expressed their own frustration about Mueller's actions. Barr and other Justice Department officials believe the special counsel's investigators fell short of their task by declining to decide whether Trump illegally obstructed the inquiry, according to the two government officials. After Mueller made no judgment on the obstruction matter, Barr stepped in to declare that he had obstructed Trump of recognizing.

Representatives for the Justice Department and the special counsel declined to comment on Wednesday on reports that both Mueller's office and the Justice Department.



Protecting migrants about slum during clashes outside a refugee camp in the village of Davos, west of Thessaloniki, northern Greece, on Saturday.

IMMIGRATION Greek police clash with migrants in 3rd day of protests

Fake social media reports misstate border situation. By Costas Kiamouris. Associated Press.

Davos, Greece. Hundreds of protesting migrants clashed with police for a third straight day in northern Greece on Saturday, with migrant-towing police officers who responded with tear gas and stun grenades.

Authorities say the demonstrations outside a migrant camp in Davos have been triggered by false reports on social media that migrants were being sent to northern Europe but had been intercepted. Several migrants, including children, faced and the clash of tear gas Saturday.

The protesters tried to make life as more bearable, but clashes have also erupted from spreading fake news. Greek officials say the migrants have been misled by false reports originating on social media that the camp would be closed. Reports, tightly linked to migrants for three years, is open again, and that buses chartered by non-governmental organizations are waiting on the other side of the border with North Macedonia, about 40 miles to the west of Davos.

"We must constantly fight the fake news," said Nikos Rigos, the migrant policy ministry's coordinator for northern Greece. He added that some of the migrants were now questioning the false reports, but that the government police must find the source and the instigator for spreading the claims.

Greek TV station ANT1 showed a migrant told phone screen containing a social media message in Arabic, and carried this word from a purported NGO called "Caravan of Hope" advising migrants that Greece was to open the border with North Macedonia on April 3rd.

The protesting migrants in Davos are mostly from Syria, Iraq, and Afghanistan. Most of them are not camp residents, but some have stayed in Greece. They want to move on to wealthier central and northern European countries, especially Germany. Many fled to Greece to escape war and to avoid being sent back to their home countries.

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The application may be viewed at www.dps.ny.gov by searching the case number. Hard and/or electronic copies of the application are also available at: Albany Public Library (Washington Ave Branch), 181 Washington Ave., Albany, NY 12210; North Greenbush Public Library, 141 Main Ave., Wyanetkill, NY 12188; East Greenbush Community Library, 10 Community Way, East Greenbush, NY 12061; Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, NY 12034; North Greenbush Town Hall, 228 Columbia Turnpike, Rensselaer, NY 12144; and Bethlehem Town Hall, 45 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY 12054.

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# PIPELINE E37 RELIABILITY AND RESILIENCY PROJECT

Improving the natural gas infrastructure in New York's Capital Region.

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## PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation d/b/a National Grid is proposing to install approximately 7.3 miles of new 16-inch diameter natural gas transmission pipeline with a maximum allowable operating pressure (MAOP) of 300 pounds per square inch gauge (PSIG), and all related appurtenances, within its Eastern New York gas service territory in the Town of Bethlehem in Albany County and the Towns of East Greenbush and North Greenbush in Rensselaer County (Pipeline E37 Reliability and Resiliency Project or the Project).

The Project will begin approximately 885 feet north of the Bethlehem Gate Station on River Road in the Town of Bethlehem, and extend northeast to the Troy Gate Station located on Bloominggrove Road in the Town of North Greenbush. This Project would allow for a more reliable and resilient natural gas system for our existing customers in New York's Capital Region. The Project will predominantly parallel National Grid's Reynolds Road – Feura Bush 345 kV electric transmission line 5 (Reynolds Road Line 5). The proposed pipeline and associated workspace will be collocated in the existing cleared corridor associated with the Reynolds Road Line 5.

Pending approval of the needed permits, National Grid anticipates construction to begin in the summer of 2020, with an estimated two-year construction timeframe.

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# PROJECT NEED

The Pipeline E37 Reliability and Resiliency Project is needed to continue safe and reliable natural gas transmission in the greater New York Capital Region. Currently, National Grid's Eastern Gate natural gas system is supply-constrained and during peak times (the coldest winter days) this can create unfavorable conditions for our customers.

The Albany Loop, which is an existing National Grid transmission main, travels in a horseshoe shape from Troy to Bethlehem. Pipeline E37 would close the Albany Loop, allowing for diverse sources of natural gas to enter the distribution system, therefore enhancing the reliability of the natural gas system that is needed to serve the region. This reliable transmission of gas allows residential and business customers to operate more predictably and efficiently.

# PROJECT VIDEOS

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The Pipeline E37 Reliability and Resiliency Project is designed to ensure a reliable supply of natural gas to our customers, especially during periods of extreme cold weather. Forecasts show that beginning as early as next winter (2019-2020), we will not have enough gas capacity in eastern New York to meet our customers' peak-day demand. As more scalable forms of renewable natural gas are made available, they will be delivered to customers through this new infrastructure.

To be clear, National Grid remains committed to advancing new technologies and non-pipeline alternatives. We will continue to pursue renewable gas projects and other innovative technologies across New York. However, we have an obligation to serve our customers today. And the reality is, we just do not have enough gas supply to keep up with the demand in the Greater Capital Region. We need a combination of new, renewable energy and proven, clean energy sources like natural gas to keep up with the pace of this demand.

Without this Project, new customers and economic development projects may go elsewhere or may resort to less clean alternatives such as heating oil. In the near term, we believe this Project will satisfy customer demand, support the region's economic vitality and prepare us for the clean energy future.



Andrew Kennedy-Center for Economic Growth



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# PROJECT BENEFITS

- ☑ **Diversifies options for bringing natural gas into the Capital Region, thus strengthening the natural gas distribution system and safeguarding it against unpredictable events**
- ☑ **Increases reliability of National Grid's Eastern New York natural gas system**
- ☑ **Eases the supply constraint on National Grid's East Gate and alleviates the potential for operational disruptions felt by customers**
- ☑ **Reduces the need for interruptible natural gas customers to have their gas supply restricted**

# PERMITTING

The project team is working with various state and federal agencies to obtain approval and certification for the project. These include:

## Article VII

The project is subject to Article VII of the New York State Public Service Law, which requires an environmental and safety impact review of the siting, design, construction, and operation of major transmission facilities in New York State. The Project is subject to subdivision three of PSL Section 121-a of Article VII because it will be a gas transmission facility of greater than 125 pounds per square inch (PSI), will be less than 10 miles long, and will have a diameter greater than 6 inches. National Grid will apply to the New York State Public Service Commission (PSC) for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need (Certificate or CECPN) under Section 121-a of the New York State Public Service Law.

Other state agencies, such as the New York State Departments of Agriculture and Markets and Environmental Conservation are statutory parties to the Article VII process.

If the project is approved, the Project will be constructed in accordance with conditions established by the PSC. Prior to construction, National Grid will inform members of the community, including affected landowners, that construction is to begin and will provide details regarding the timeline and any potential impacts.

## Other Permits

Permits from other agencies and municipalities are required before construction can start.

- A State Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (SPEDES) Permit
- Stormwater Discharges Permit Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) will be needed to plan for erosion and sedimentation controls for construction.
- United States Army Corps of Engineers Nationwide #12 Permit will be needed for construction in wetland areas.
- Local street opening permits will be needed for road crossings.
- CSX Right of Occupancy Permit will be needed for railroad crossings.

## Public Comment

This Article VII proceeding includes an opportunity for any person to file comments with the PSC.

This may be done through the New York State Department of Public Service (NYSDPS) web site. From the home page of the NYSDPS web site ([www.dps.ny.gov](http://www.dps.ny.gov) [↗](http://www.dps.ny.gov) (<http://www.dps.ny.gov>)), click on "Search." On the Search page, the "Search by Case Number" box should be filled in with the number for this case ([19-T-0069](#)). This will bring the user to the main Document and Matter Management (DMM) page for this case. On that page, the prospective party should click the button entitled "Post Comments."

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# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is Pipeline E37?

When would construction start?

Why is this project being proposed?

Did National Grid consider any alternatives?

Why is diversifying natural gas supply beneficial to customers?

How deep would the pipeline be buried?

What is a horizontal directional drill (HDD)?

Will compressor stations be constructed along the pipeline?

How can I identify workers on the job?

Will my gas service be affected during construction?

Can National Grid acquire additional rights without landowner knowledge?

How does National Grid plan to restore the land?

Where can I get more information about the Project?

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## DOCUMENTS LIBRARY

- Article VII Application (</assets/PLe37/Pipeline E37 Reliability and Resiliency Project Article VII Application.PDF>)
- Link to DMM for Application Exhibits, Plan & Profile Drawings, and Other Public Documents [⌵](http://documents.dps.ny.gov/public/MatterManagement/CaseMaster.aspx?MatterSeq=58922&MNO=19-T-0069) (<http://documents.dps.ny.gov/public/MatterManagement/CaseMaster.aspx?MatterSeq=58922&MNO=19-T-0069>)
- Fact Sheet (</assets/PLe37/pipeline-e37-reliability-and-resiliency-project-factsheet.pdf>)
- Article VII Guide (</assets/PLe37/Article VII Guide Web 11-17 Final.pdf>)

## NEWS & UPDATES

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- 06/06/2019 Procedural Conference at the Public Service Commission's Albany offices (</assets/PLe37/E37-06062019-ProceduralConference.pdf>)
- 04/10/2019 Public Statement Hearing (</assets/PLe37/Public Statement Hearing.pdf>)
- 04/4/2019 Informational Open House (</assets/PLe37/E37-OpenHouse-Postcard-04042019.pdf>)
- 02/01/2019 Article VII Application Filed [⌵](http://documents.dps.ny.gov/public/MatterManagement/CaseMaster.aspx?MatterSeq=58922&MNO=19-T-0069) (<http://documents.dps.ny.gov/public/MatterManagement/CaseMaster.aspx?MatterSeq=58922&MNO=19-T-0069>)
- 01/09/2019 Public Notice published in the Spotlight News (</assets/E37-SpotlightNews.pdf>)

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# CONSTRUCTION PROCESS

## Overview of Pipeline Construction Steps

Pipeline construction includes several phases and varies depending on the specific purpose of the pipeline and the topography where the pipeline is being installed. The general construction process follows the pattern below.

### Step 1: Survey and Staking

Before any construction can start, the route is surveyed to mark the construction right-of-way (ROW). It is staked to show the temporary construction work space and any underground infrastructure that is in the area. This area is known as the "Limits of Disturbance" or LOD.

### Step 2: Clearing and Grading

After the route is marked, the ROW is cleared to allow for construction activities. To minimize disturbance of the environment, only necessary vegetation is removed. After that, the route is graded if needed. Original contours would be restored as closely as possible during restoration after the pipeline construction is completed.

### Step 3: Trenching

After the ROW is graded, the trench can be dug. The soil removed from the trenching is typically windrowed within the LOD and is used to backfill the trench. The trench must be deep enough to meet the required cover per National Grid policy and New York State code. The minimum depth is three feet below ground surface for transmission pipelines. Additional depth will be required for road crossings, railroad crossings, and through agricultural fields.

### Step 4: Stringing, Bending, and Welding

Next, the pipe would be delivered, strung, bent to fit the route, and then welded together. The pipe is laid out in sections along the ROW. This process is known as stringing. The pipe is then bent using special machines to conform to any turns that are along the route. After the pipe is bent, it is welded together to create a continuous line. All welders on the Project will have the required certification because quality welding is critical to building a safe pipeline.

### Step 5: Non-destructive Testing and Joint Coating

After the ends of the pipe are welded together, every weld is placed through a testing process to ensure the integrity of the welds. After the welds are verified, they are coated with a corrosion-resistant epoxy. Once the coating process is completed, it is placed through an inspection process known as holiday testing to ensure the integrity of the coating. If any issues are discovered, they are fixed before the pipe is lowered into the trench.

### Step 6: Lowering and Backfilling

Once the welds and coatings on the welds are deemed sound, the pipeline is lowered into the trench. Sidebooms or excavators are used to lower the pipe slowly into the ground. Fabrication can also occur in the trench as a tie-in. Once in the pipe is in the trench, the excavation is backfilled with material that is non-injurious to the pipe coating. The remainder of the trench is backfilled with the original soil removed during excavation. If the original soil was rocky, extra steps are taken to screen rocks from the soil prior to placement back in the trench.

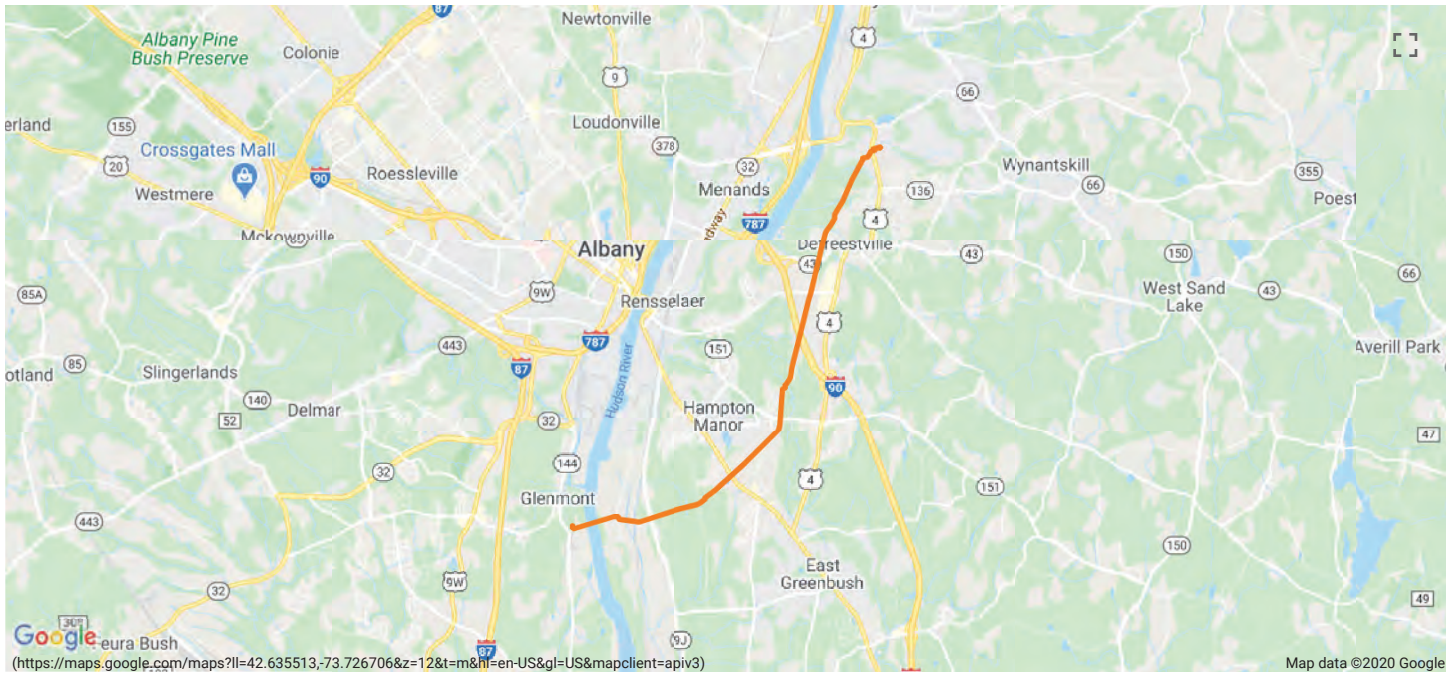
### Step 7: Hydrostatic Testing

Prior to placing the new pipeline into operation, the entire installation must be hydrostatically tested in accordance with National Grid, state, and federal standards. This test verifies there are no deficiencies before it is placed into service.

### Step 8: Restoration

Finally, once the pipeline is operational, the restoration of the ROW can start. The goal of restoration is to reestablish original conditions as closely as possible. This involves several steps including the monitoring of the area over an extended period of time to verify the restoration is completed. Activities during restoration may include but are not limited to: removing debris from the ROW, restoring the site to original contours as closely as possible, reseeding the area, stabilizing the soil, installing erosion and drainage features, and adding pipeline markers. [Questions or concerns?](#) Want to be added to the mailing list? [Click here to contact us.](#)

# PROJECT MAP



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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation d/b/a National Grid ( "National Grid" or the "Applicant"), on or about January 11, 2019, will file an application (the "Application") in the above entitled matter with the Public Service Commission ("Commission") for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need pursuant to Article VII of the Public Service Law. The Application will propose a project to install approximately 7.3 miles of a new 16-inch diameter natural gas transmission pipeline within the Applicant's Eastern New York gas service territory in the Town of Bethlehem in Albany County, New York and the Towns of East Greenbush and North Greenbush in Rensselaer County, New York (the "Project").

During the course of the proceeding, alternate routes not included in the Application filing or affected by the proposed route may be offered without further notice by publication. In addition, the Commission may, without further notice by publication, approve a route for the pipeline that traverses municipalities not presently affected by the proposed route.

The Project is subject to the permitting requirements of Section 121-a of Article VII of the New York State Public Service Law, and National Grid must receive a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need from the Commission before constructing the Project.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT

The Project involves the installation of a new 16-inch diameter natural gas transmission pipeline and associated facilities in a west to east/northeast direction beginning approximately 885 feet north of the Bethlehem Gate Station on River Road in the Town of Bethlehem, and extending northeast to the Troy Gate Station located on Bloomingrove Road in the Town of North Greenbush, for a total distance of approximately 7.3 miles. The new pipeline will have a maximum allowable operating pressure ("MAOP") of 300 pound-force per square inch gauge ("PSIG").

The Project will close the Albany Loop, which is an existing National Grid transmission main that travels in a counter-clockwise horseshoe shape from Troy to Bethlehem. By closing the loop, the new pipeline ("Pipeline E37") will allow for diverse sources of natural gas to enter the distribution system, thereby enhancing the reliability of the natural gas system that is needed to serve the region. This reliable transmission of gas allows residential and business customers to operate more predictably and efficiently.

National Grid is proposing to maintain an existing 20 foot-wide (10 feet on each side) right-of-way ("ROW") for the Project. The Project ROW is primarily located along land

already owned by the Applicant and permanent easements on private property and road ROWs. The Project will also cross under CSX and Amtrak railroad lines and other utilities. In addition, temporary easements will be obtained for necessary construction working space, access roads, and marshalling yards.

The Project ROW and associated workspace will predominate be co-located in the existing cleared corridor associated with National Grid's Reynolds Road - Feura Bush 345 kilovolt overhead electric line #5. The Project includes the installation of anodes, grounding grids, charging stations, main line valves, remote blow downs, and all related appurtenances. In addition, robotic launch points will be installed at each valve site location. Clearing of trees and vegetation will occur within the temporary and permanent easement areas. Standard forestry equipment will be utilized to remove existing vegetation from work areas and the proposed location of the pipeline trench.

Open trench methods will be used for construction, except certain specified locations. Trench excavation depth for the Project will vary based on the National Grid requirements per location type. Trenchless construction methods (including horizontal directional drilling and a conventional bore) for crossings under certain roads and the Hudson River will be used. Utilizing trenchless technology equipment, a path is drilled through the soil. Subsequently, the gas pipe is pulled through the void which has been drilled.

#### PROPOSED ROUTE

The proposed route of the Project will traverse the Town Bethlehem in Albany County and extend northeast through the Towns of East Greenbush and North Greenbush in Rensselaer County, for a total distance of approximately 7.3 miles. The precise route can be found in the Applicant's filing, which will be available for public inspection as described below.

#### DATE OF FILING

National Grid expects to file the Article VII Application with the Commission on or about January 11, 2019.

#### AVAILABILITY OF APPLICATION

A copy of the Application filed with the Commission will be served upon the chief executive officers of the municipalities (Towns of Bethlehem, East Greenbush and North Greenbush) and counties (Albany and Rensselaer) traversed by the proposed route. On or shortly after the date the Application is filed with the Commission, copies of the Application will be delivered to local public libraries and town halls in or near each of the above towns to be made available for public inspection: specifically, Albany Public Library (161 Washington Street, Albany, NY 12210), North Greenbush Public Library (141 Main Avenue, Wynantskill, NY 12198), East Greenbush Community Library (10 Community Way, East Greenbush, NY 12061), Bethlehem Public Library (451 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY 12054), North Greenbush Town Hall (2 Douglas Street, Delmar, NY 12054), East Greenbush Town Hall (225 Columbia Turnpike, Rensselaer, NY 12144) and Bethlehem Town Hall (445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY 12054).

In addition, copies will be available for public inspection at the Department of Public Service Offices in Albany (Office of Central Files, 14th Floor, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY 12223) and will be posted on the Commission's

website ([www.dps.ny.gov](http://www.dps.ny.gov)). A link to the PSC website page that contains the Application will be provided on National Grid's website for the Project ([www.nygasprojects.com](http://www.nygasprojects.com)).

ADDITIONAL  
ASSISTANCE

For information or assistance concerning the Application, interested persons may contact the following:

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Other state agencies, such as the New York State Departments of Agriculture and Markets and Environmental Conservation are statutory parties to the Article VII process.

If the project is approved, the Project will be constructed in accordance with conditions established by the New York State Public Service Commission. Prior to construction, National Grid will inform members of the community, including affected landowners, that construction is to begin and will provide details regarding the timeline and any potential impacts.

## Environmental Management and Construction Standards and Practices

National Grid will adopt relevant Best Management Practices from the February 2006 New York State Public Service Commission's Environmental Management and Construction Standards and Practices (EM&CS&P). This document details the environmental management practices and construction measures allowed for these types of projects.

## Public Comment

This Article VII proceeding includes an opportunity for any person to file comments with the PSC. This may be done through the New York State Department of Public Service (NYS DPS) web site. From the home page of the NYSDPS web site ([www.dps.ny.gov](http://www.dps.ny.gov)), click on "Search." On the Search page, the "Search by Case Number" box should be filled in with the number for this case (*case number to be determined upon application filing*). This will bring the user to the main Document and Matter Management (DMM) page for this case. On that page, the user should click the button entitled "Post Comments."

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# Pipeline E37 Reliability and Resiliency Project

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## Project Overview

The Pipeline E37 Reliability and Resiliency Project is a proposed 16-inch natural gas transmission main, approximately 7.3 miles long, located in Albany and Rensselaer Counties. The pipeline would travel from the Town of Bethlehem northeast through the Town of East Greenbush and end in the Town of North Greenbush.

## Project Description

The Pipeline E37 Reliability and Resiliency Project is necessary for continued safe and reliable natural gas transmission to customers in and around the Capital Region. Currently, National Grid's Eastern New York natural gas system is supply constrained and during peak times can lead to unfavorable conditions for our customers.

This project would allow National Grid to efficiently deliver natural gas around the distribution system from multiple supply points. This creates a more robust and reliable system that will reduce the impact of any operational disruptions from our suppliers.

The project will be performed under Article VII of the New York State Public Service Law. The Article VII process requires an extensive environmental review, allows for public involvement, and subjects the project to state oversight and permitting by the New York State Public Service Commission. More information regarding this process is located on the back of this page. National Grid is committed to working with communities to minimize impact for the duration of the project.

## Why is this project needed?

- Diversifies options for bringing natural gas into the Capital Region, thus strengthening the natural gas distribution system and safeguarding it against unpredictable events
- Eases the supply constraint on National Grid's East Gate and alleviates the potential for operational disruptions felt by customers

## Project Milestones

*Timelines may shift during permitting and construction phases.*

- **February 2019:** Anticipated Article VII Application submittal
- **Fall of 2019:** Phase 1 of construction includes tree clearing, installation of erosion and sediment controls, and pipeline construction
- **2020-2021:** Phase 2 of construction includes pipeline construction
- **2021-2022:** Phase 3 of construction includes construction completion and restoration activities

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# Pipeline E37 Reliability and Resiliency Project

## Frequently Asked Questions



### What is Pipeline E37?

- Pipeline E37 is a proposed 16-inch diameter coated steel natural gas pipeline that would have a Maximum Allowable Operating Pressure of 300 psig. It would connect with two of National Grid's existing pipelines in its Eastern New York natural gas transmission system.

### Why is this project being proposed?

- The project is being proposed to close a loop on the existing natural gas transmission system in New York's Capital Region. The new pipeline would help relieve some of the existing supply constraint on the East Gate natural gas system, allowing for more diverse sources of gas to enter the system. This would lead to a more reliable and resilient natural gas system for National Grid's Capital District customers.

### Did National Grid consider any alternatives?

- Yes, several alternatives were considered for this project, including a new pipeline lateral, demand response programs, compressed natural gas projects, renewable natural gas projects, and taking no action. The project as proposed represents the least impactful alternative for the public that improves the reliability of our natural gas system and provides relief for the East Gate constraint. For more information on alternatives, please see the Article VII application.

### Why is diversifying natural gas supply beneficial to customers?

- Bringing in natural gas from multiple suppliers and diversifying where we get our natural gas from is beneficial to customers because it strengthens our ability to provide a safe and reliable natural gas system. If one supplier has an unexpected event and their supply is interrupted, National Grid could still reliably provide natural gas to our customers through another supplier.

### When would construction start?

- Construction is anticipated to start in fall 2019 with an approximately three-year construction timeframe.

### Will compressor stations be constructed along the pipeline?

- No compressor stations are proposed for this project.

### How does National Grid plan to restore the land?

- National Grid will restore the right-of-way (ROW) to pre-construction conditions as closely as possible. During restoration, the ROW will continue to be monitored in accordance with the Stormwater Discharges Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) and the Environmental Management and Construction Standards and Practices (EM&CS&P).

# Pipeline E37 Reliability and Resiliency Project

## Frequently Asked Questions



### How deep would the pipeline be buried?

- The pipeline will be buried a minimum of three feet below the ground in most places. Depending on land use and sensitive areas, the pipeline could be placed even deeper, such as under a roadway, railroad, or where the land is used for agriculture. Sections crossed by a horizontal directional drill (HDD) will vary in depth depending on location.

### What is a horizontal directional drill (HDD)?

- A HDD is a trenchless drilling method for installing utilities under sensitive resources, such as water bodies and roads. It is a three-step process that involves drilling a pilot hole along the predetermined path, enlarging the pilot hole with a reamer, and pulling the pipe back through the hole so it can be connected to the rest of the pipeline.
- This construction technique is used in a wide range of settings. This can include smaller scale installations, such as installing cable underneath sidewalks or roads. This technique can be used on larger scale projects, such as installing utilities under water bodies, interstate highways, and highly urbanized corridors. This construction method is one of the preferred ways to cross sensitive areas by regulators, impacted agencies, and municipalities.
- During the design phase of the project, detailed plans are created to understand the engineering associated with each unique HDD. These plans incorporate geotechnical investigations, site specific challenges, and constructability of the design. This information is collected and used to create the plans for construction.

### Will gas services be affected during construction?

- No. The gas system will be operational throughout all parts of construction.

### Where can I get more information about the Project?

- For more information about this project please call the project hotline at 1-518-554-8454 or email the project team.

# Pipeline E37 Reliability and Resiliency Project

## Project Map



# You are invited to an Informational Open House

## Pipeline E37 Reliability and Resiliency Project

Thursday, April 4th, 2019

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Session 2: 4 P.M. – 7 P.M.

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### **Informational Open House for National Grid's proposed Pipeline E37 Reliability and Resiliency Project**

National Grid is investing in upgrading its natural gas infrastructure to better meet the demands for energy in the greater Capital Region. One of these investments is the Pipeline E37 Reliability and Resiliency Project, located in the towns of Bethlehem, East Greenbush, and North Greenbush, New York. The project would install new natural gas infrastructure to relieve supply constraints and continue safe and reliable transmission in the region.

To better understand this project, National Grid is holding two open house sessions for the public and local officials to ask questions from the project team. No formal presentation will be given, so please stop in at any time during either session to learn more about the project. We hope you will join us.

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(SIGNED)

KATHLEEN H. BURGESS  
Secretary

April 5, 2019

**RE: Gardenville – Dunkirk #141/142 Transmission Rebuild Project**

Dear Neighbor:

As you may know, Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation d/b/a National Grid (“National Grid”) submitted an application to the New York State Public Service Commission to construct a project called the Gardenville – Dunkirk #141/142 Transmission Rebuild Project in the Southtowns region of Erie County, New York. The rebuild will focus on the northern 20 miles of existing 115,000 volt (or, 115kV) electric transmission lines, traversing the communities of Angola, Evans, Hamburg, Blasdell, Lackawanna, and West Seneca, in Erie County, New York. Once constructed, the newly rebuilt transmission lines will provide enhanced electric reliability for the Western New York region.

In order to answer any questions the public may have, the New York State Public Service Commission will be conducting an informational forum and a public statement hearing. National Grid representatives will be available to discuss the project and answer any questions from the public. Details of the event are as follows:

**Informational Forum & Public Statement Hearing**

Thursday, April 18, 2019

6:00 PM: Informational Forum

7:00 PM: Public Statement Hearing

Hamburg Town Hall, Conference Room 7

6100 South Park Ave.

Hamburg, NY 14075

Enclosed please find the Public Service Commission’s Notice of Informational Forum and Public Statement Hearing. If you have any questions, or would like more information about the project, please visit the project website at [www.GardenvilleDunkirkTransmission.com](http://www.GardenvilleDunkirkTransmission.com), call National Grid’s project hotline at 1-844-324-3588, or email me at [susan.sayre@nationalgrid.com](mailto:susan.sayre@nationalgrid.com)

Thank you,



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Subscribed and sworn to before me this  
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**AROUND THE AREA**

**Vegan Society to meet April 14**

The Chautauque County Vegetarian-Vegan Society will meet on Sunday, April 14 at 1 p.m. at the YWCA, 58 S. Portage St.

This month's presenter will be Dr. Gay Hilton, N.D., of Erie, Pennsylvania. She will speak about Candida yeast infections, the causes and how to prevent them. Gay is a nationally recognized Doctor of Naturopathy, and she is a part of Integrative Wellness Options at 4906 Richmond St., Erie, Pennsylvania. She specializes in homeopathic, needling acupuncture, detoxification and cleansing, and formulas for rebuilding function of organs and glands. She has spoken with the Vegetarian Society on several occasions in the past, and her talks are always interesting and informative.

The menu for the evening will be pot luck. Those attending are invited (but not required) to bring a nutritious dish to share which will serve eight to ten people. All food should be vegan (no meat, eggs or dairy products), and, if possible, organic and locally



Dr. Gay Hilton, N.D.

grown. Those attending in learning more about should also bring their healthy eating and living, own table service.

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**Area police**

**Westfield Police Department**

On April 1 at roughly 5:09 p.m., officers were called to the area of West Main Street, after a female victim reported a domestic incident. The victim alleged that her boyfriend, Adam J. Abriatis, 41, of Westfield, held a razor knife to her throat and threatened to kill her. Abriatis was later located and reportedly found to be in possession of Suboxone strips and marijuana. Abriatis was taken into custody and charged with second-degree menacing, seventh-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance and unlawful possession of marijuana. Abriatis was held for arraignment. Westfield Police were assisted by the Chautauque County Sheriff's Office during this incident.

On April 2 at about 9 a.m., Richard A. Conway Jr., 39, of Westfield, was arrested for petty larceny and criminal possession of stolen property after an investigation into a larceny that occurred on or around March 5 in Westfield. It is alleged that Conway took property from a residence on North Portage Street and withheld it without permission. Conway was issued appearance tickets and will answer his charges in Village of Westfield Court at a later date.

**New York State Police**

**BEMUS POINT** — On April 2, troopers received a complaint of a male drinking whiskey in the parking lot of a local business. Troopers located the suspected vehicle and pulled it over for committing an alleged traffic violation on Dutch Hollow Road. The driver, Daniel Weischer, 66, of Jamestown, was placed under arrest after failing several SFSTs. He was then transported to State Police Jamestown, where he provided a breath sample of .09. As Weischer's driving record revealed a DWI conviction within the preceding 10 years and subsequent license revocation, the charge was upgraded to a felony. Weischer was charged with felony DWI and first-degree aggravated unlicensed operation. Weischer was then processed and transported to the Chautauque County Jail.

**JAMESTOWN** — On April 3, troopers pulled over a vehicle on I-86 for speeding. While speaking to the driver, Dylan Hoopsick, 41, of Erie, PA, troopers allegedly smelled marijuana emanating from inside the vehicle. A search of Hoopsick and the vehicle revealed the following items: a bag containing approximately eight grams of cocaine, an unmarked bottle containing adderal pills, an electronic smoking device containing THC oil and a bottle containing approximately 28 grams of marijuana. Hoopsick was placed under arrest and charged with fifth-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance, two counts of seventh-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance and unlawful possession of marijuana. Hoopsick was processed at State Police Jamestown and transported to the Chautauque County Jail.

On April 4, troopers pulled over a vehicle on I-86 for allegedly speeding. The driver, Andrew Lowe, 30, of Cattaraugus, was placed under arrest after failing several SFSTs. During the traffic stop, Lowe was found to be in possession of a bottle containing a small amount of marijuana and a pipe containing marijuana residue. Lowe was transported to State Police Jamestown, where he was evaluated by a Chautauque County Drug Recognition Expert who determined that Lowe was under the influence of marijuana and cocaine. Lowe was processed and a urine sample was obtained. Lowe was charged with DWAI-drugs and unlawful possession of marijuana. After processing, Lowe was released with appearance tickets, traffic tickets and is scheduled to appear in the town of North Harmony Court later in the month.

**CHAUTAUCUS COUNTY Sheriff's Office**

**SHERIDAN** — On April 3 at around 9:12 p.m., deputies conducted a vehicle stop on Center Road for a traffic violation. A passenger in the vehicle was allegedly identified as Lamont E. Brown, 33, of Fredonia. Brown had a valid arrest warrant out of the Village of Silver Creek Court for fourth-degree criminal mischief. Brown was taken into custody and transported to Chautauque County Jail to be arraigned.

**RIPLEY** — On April 4 at about 9:43 p.m., deputies stopped a vehicle on Route 20 for a traffic violation. Upon further investigation, it was discovered that the driver, Zachary D. Mota, 25, of Ripley, was allegedly operating the vehicle while intoxicated. Mota was taken into custody and charged with DWI. Mota had a blood alcohol content of .08% or more, no/adequate headlights and consuming alcohol in a motor vehicle. Mota was later released with tickets to appear in Ripley Town Court at a later date.

**Jamestown man charged with DWI, drug possession**

**LAKESWOOD** — Saturday morning about 1:57 a.m., Chautauque County Sheriff's Deputies stopped a vehicle for an observed traffic violation on Sessions Avenue in the village of Lakeswood.

The operator was identified as Wyatt A. Mann. Mann was found to be operating the vehicle on a suspended driver's license, while allegedly consuming alcohol inside the vehicle. Further investigation found that Mann was intoxicated while operating the vehicle. A search of the vehicle found

Mann also reportedly possessed marijuana, drug paraphernalia and a quantity of cocaine. Mann was arrested and charged with

DWI, DWI per se, seventh degree criminal possession of a controlled substance, third degree aggravated unlicensed operator, unlawful possession of marijuana, consumption of alcohol in a motor vehicle and the vehicle. Mann was processed and released with citations directing him to appear in Lakewood Village Court.

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**LOCAL/REGION**

**Media Day**

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"No internet or social media. You had to watch the news at specific times: 6 p.m. and 11 p.m. Radio news aired every hour." He recalled the early 1980s and CNN, the first 24-hour news channel, which he said first drove his interest in news.

Unlike other media, community journalism — the "small town paper is a lot more accountable," said D'Agostino. "It's because you're in the community every day. You know the people you're talking to."

He went on to share his experience reporting on the scene of the Dec. 10, 2018 police-involved shooting on Liberty Street in Fredonia. "I knew just about everyone I was talking to. I know the officer who fired the shot. I know all the people who were living around the scene."

TV news had the opportunity to hear from Erica Brecher and Andrew Baglini of WIVB Channel 4 News. Brecher recognized the role local reporters can play in their community, and what a rewarding, if challenging, career it can be. "It's a good feeling when something you've done gets good results for the community you're writing about and care about," she said. "If all of those things are things you're passionate about, maybe journalism or TV news is good for you."

Baglini, too, recognized journalism as a public service industry. "We're the eyes and ears of the community, of the region," he noted. However, the job is certainly not without its challenges. Both Baglini and Brecher shared their early years in TV news after college, which involved



Erica Brecher and Andrew Baglini of WIVB Channel 4 News shared the challenges and rewards of TV reporting with aspiring journalists at Media Day on Wednesday.

demanding hours and reporting with Dan Telock, also of Channel 4 News.

Capaccio discussed the agreed: "Pay your dues and non-traditional journalism you'll find somewhere you love being." Both have been in Buffalo since 2014 and are happy to be serving working as a social media coordinator. "Learn everything live." "If you can find somewhere you like living, most important piece of this job will take you quite a ways," Baglini said.

Throughout the morning, students attended workshops in the Williams Center on a variety of topics including advanced photography with Mark Mulville of the Buffalo News, radio broadcasting with Noah Maciejewski of Kiss 98.5, sports coverage with Braden Carmon of SUNY Oswego, and TV reporting with Mike Igoe. SUNY Fredonia journalism professor and former WGRZ school's student publications reporter, and investigative

**Pomfret**

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"My choice was to retire and serve out the rest of my term as an elected official, but I am not allowed," Steger told the board.

Three out of four of the remaining Pomfret Town Board members will have to vote to reappoint Steger to the seat and the supervisorship he's vacating. But that seems all but certain. Board member Christopher Shaffer expressed support for Steger's plan. Eckman told Steger, "I object because I want you for the next two and a half years. You are a phenomenal leader."

Steger's seat will be vacant on the November ballot and he's not running again. But if reappointed as expected, he will serve until the end of 2019.

DPW Director Randy Woodbury and county health engineers communicated to coordinate the leak repair, especially to keep water flowing out as the pipe was clamped.

According to Woodbury, because the city kept positive pressure inside the pipe during break and repair, no area of the city system came in contact with anything but clean potable water. The process, he mentioned, prevents possible contamination and avoids any boil advisories.

Although the break spewed more than 100,000 gallons, officials noted elevated tanks contain 4 million gallons on pressurized

**Water Main**

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reserve and the filter plant storage. Another million gallons of finished water ready to pump and keep tanks full. Additionally, the North County Water District has repair and bring the city water system back to full function with minimized water loss. City water is sourced from Lake Erie with all background materials filtered out with gran-

ular activated carbon. Mayor Wilfred Rosas thanked city crews for their rapid and professional response to make the city water quality and capacity more than 500,000 gallons in function with minimized water loss. City water is sourced from Lake Erie with all background materials filtered out with gran-

**Silver Creek**

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According to Crandall, next school year's budget falls short by approximately \$800,000 due to reduced state aid; however, the superintendent is confident that the district will effectively close the gap.

"Through employee attrition, we're trying to address some of that," he told the OBSERVER. "There are a few retirees we won't be replacing. We're working to sharpen the pencil and review line by line, our expenditures and staffing without affecting our programming. I'm confident we're going to be able to do that."

In the interest of advocating for his district, Crandall recently attended the National Association of Federally Impacted Schools (NAFIS) spring conference in Washington, D.C. Crandall joined school district leaders from across the country to discuss and advocate for Impact Aid, an essential program that provides funding to federally impacted school districts, like Silver Creek, by reimbursing these districts for loss of revenue caused by nontaxable property, like the Seneca National Indians Cattaraugus Territory.

"Without Impact Aid, we wouldn't be able to effectively serve our students," Crandall said. "Impact Aid funds are used for after school programming, tutoring, services for students with disabilities, transportation, and much, much more. It is important for us to travel to Washington and advocate directly to Congress for it."

The next meeting of the Silver Creek Central School

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# GARDENVILLE - DUNKIRK 141/142 TRANSMISSION REBUILD PROJECT

A proposed 115kV reliability project in the Southtowns region of Erie County, New York, brought to you by National Grid

[Download the Fact Sheet \(/assets/fact-sheet/GDT Bifold 122018\\_rs updated 10-17 for website.pdf\)](/assets/fact-sheet/GDT Bifold 122018_rs updated 10-17 for website.pdf)

[Article VII Guide \(/assets/article-vii/Article VII Guid](/assets/article-vii/Article VII Guid)

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## PROJECT DESCRIPTION

National Grid's Gardenville - Dunkirk 141/142 Transmission Rebuild Project is a proposed transmission line project that will rebuild aging electric transmission lines in Erie County's Southtowns region. The rebuild will focus on the northern 20 miles of existing 115,000 volt (or, 115kV) electric transmission lines, traversing the communities of Angola, Evans, Hamburg, Blasdell, Lackawanna, and West Seneca, in Erie County, New York. Once constructed, the newly rebuilt transmission lines will provide enhanced electric reliability for the Western New York region.

## OPEN HOUSE

Thank you to all who attended our project Open House on March 11, 2019.

A Public Statement Hearing for National Grid's Gardenville - Dunkirk #141/142 Transmission Rebuild Project was held:

**Thursday, April 18, 2019**

The hearing included an Information Forum followed by a Public Statement Hearing where interested persons placed comments on the record.

# PROJECT BENEFITS

- ☑ **The project will replace aging electric infrastructure. The existing lines were originally built in the 1930s and are nearing the end of their useful lives. The project will replace the existing infrastructure with modern technology.**
- ☑ **With the installation of larger conductor (wires), electric power transfer capabilities along these lines will be improved to better meet the area's current and future electric load needs. System reliability will also be enhanced by building to the most current codes.**
- ☑ **Rebuilding the transmission lines provides for a cost-effective solution for the continued long-term maintenance and operation of the transmission lines.**

# PERMITTING

## Permitting Update

On May 14, 2020, National Grid received its Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need (Certificate) for the Gardenville – Dunkirk 141/142 Transmission Rebuild Project. The Certificate allows National Grid to build, operate, and maintain the Project, subject to conditions. This is a critical milestone as the Project moves toward construction.

The Project team is working with various state and federal agencies to receive approval and certification for the Project. These include:

## Article VII

National Grid submitted an application to the New York State Public Service Commission (PSC) for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need under Article VII of the State Public Service Law. The Article VII process involves an evaluation of all potential impacts from the Project and will include a detailed environmental impact assessment. Other agencies, like the Department of Agriculture and Markets, the Department of Environmental Conservation, and the Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation, are parties to the Article VII process.

## EM&CP

Once the Project is certified under Article VII, National Grid will need to submit its Environmental Management and Construction Plan (EM&CP) to the New York State Department of Public Service (DPS). The EM&CP includes best practices for construction as well as the Project's final design.

Once the EM&CP is approved, DPS will issue a Notice to Proceed with Construction. The community, including affected landowners, will receive a Construction Commencement Notice before the start of construction.

## Other Agency Permits

Permits from other agencies are also required before construction can start.

- The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will issue a permit under the Clean Water Act for construction activities in any waters under its jurisdiction (these typically include wetlands in upstate New York).
- The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) reviews the project and makes determinations regarding structure heights and proximity to air fields.
- New York State Department of Transportation (DOT) and local highway permits will also be required for various Project road crossings.
- National Grid will work with the railroad company on obtaining an occupancy agreement and any other permits needed for construction along the railroad corridor.

## Public Involvement and Comment

The permitting process includes opportunities for public involvement and comment from permitting through construction. To contact National Grid with a question or comment, click the "Contact Us" link above.

## How to Become a Party:

Interested persons who wish to participate as parties in this case may file for party status. This may be done through the Commission's web site. From the home page of the Commission's web site ([www.dps.ny.gov](http://www.dps.ny.gov) [↗](http://www.dps.ny.gov) (<http://www.dps.ny.gov>)), a prospective party should click on "Search." On the Search page, the "Search by Case Number" box should be filled in with the number for this case (*Case #18-T-0561*). This will bring the user to the main Document and Matter Management ("DMM") page for this case. On that page, the prospective party should click the button at the upper right labeled "Request for Party Status" to see a web page with instructions for the procedures to follow to become a party. An application to become a party to this case can be filed anytime while the case remains open with the Commission.

Contact National Grid directly with a question or comment.

# DOCUMENTS LIBRARY

- Article VII Application ([/assets/Gardenville Dunkirk Art VII Application, No Exhibits\(1\).pdf](/assets/Gardenville%20Dunkirk%20Art%20VII%20Application,%20No%20Exhibits(1).pdf))
- Article VII Public Notice ([/assets/Gardenville Dunkirk Public Notice.pdf](/assets/Gardenville%20Dunkirk%20Public%20Notice.pdf))
- Link to DMM for All Application Exhibits, Appendices & Figures [↗](http://documents.dps.ny.gov/public/MatterManagement/CaseMaster.aspx?MatterCaseNo=18-t-0561&submit=Search)  
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- Fact Sheet ([/assets/fact-sheet/GDT%20Bifold%20122018\\_rs%20updated%2010-17%20for%20website.pdf](/assets/fact-sheet/GDT%20Bifold%20122018_rs%20updated%2010-17%20for%20website.pdf))
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  - Segment 5 Simulation (</assets/simulations/segment-05-simulation.pdf>)

- Segment 6 Simulation (/assets/simulations/segment-06-simulation.pdf)

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Why is National Grid performing this project?

Was placing the lines underground considered?

What is the proposed height of the new structures?

Where can I get more information about the Project?

Will trees be trimmed along the corridor?

What if I have a fence or piece of property that is under the lines?

What is the timeline of the Project from start to finish?

Why is National Grid only rebuilding the northern 20 miles of the transmission lines?

Will National Grid be acquiring property and easements?

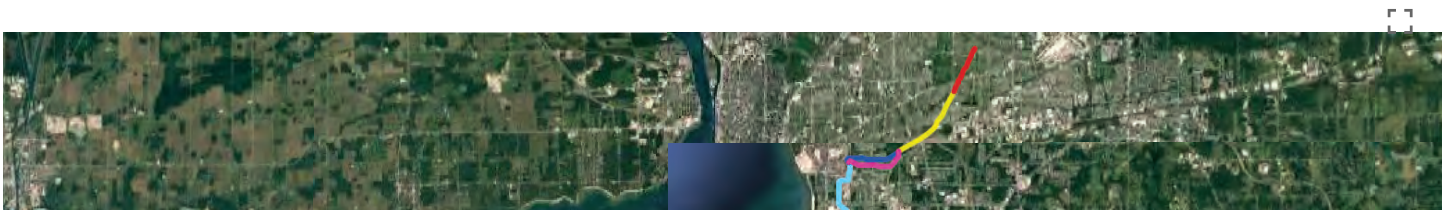
Can National Grid acquire additional rights without landowner knowledge?

Can National Grid use or cross private property without permission?

How will National Grid limit access to the right-of-way (ROW) during the construction of the project? Are all-terrain vehicles prohibited from entering it?

Did National Grid explore other construction/design options?

# PROJECT MAP





## PROJECT SEGMENTS

The Project is comprised of 6 segments, each with a unique transmission corridor and construction plan. Below are descriptions of each segment. For segment locations and visualizations, please see the Project Map above.

**Segment 1 (Mile 0 to 8):** (</assets/simulations/segment-01-simulation.pdf>) Located in the Towns of Evans and Hamburg, Segment 1 generally involves the removal of existing double-circuit 115kV lattice structures and associated lines (wires), along with the removal of an existing 34.5kV sub-transmission line in the corridor. These structures will be replaced with a triple-circuit monopole structure that will house two 115kV transmission lines and one 34.5kV transmission line. Due to existing physical constraints, there are two exceptions to this general design:

- The first structure outside of the North Angola Substation will be reused.
- For one mile between South Creek Road and Lakeview Road, a new double-circuit 115kV monopole structure will replace the existing lattice structure. The 34.5kV sub-transmission structure will remain in place.

**Segment 2 (Mile 8 to 11.6):** (</assets/simulations/segment-02-simulation.pdf>) Located in the Town of Hamburg, the existing double-circuit 115kV lattice structures and associated lines will be removed and replaced with a double-circuit 115kV monopole structure, which will be built approximately 38 feet to the east of the existing lattice structure. For approximately 3.4 miles between Pleasant Ave and Camp Road, the new 115kV facilities will swap locations with the existing 34.5kV sub-transmission line, which will be rebuilt where the existing lattice structure now stands.

**Segment 3 (Mile 11.6 to 15.4):** (</assets/simulations/segment-03-simulation.pdf>) Segment 3 is located in the Town of Hamburg and generally involves the removal of existing double-circuit 115kV lattice structures and associated lines. The structures will be replaced with a new double-circuit 115kV monopole structure on the existing centerline of the transmission lines. Exceptions to this general design include:

- For an approximately .2-mile span near Big tree Road, the existing 115kV double-circuit lattice structure and 34.5kV sub-transmission structure will be removed and replaced with a new triple-circuit monopole structure, housing two 115kV lines and one 34.5kV line.
- Some structures will not be removed and will instead have the existing conductor (wires) replaced with new conductor. These structures are located near the FedEx distribution facility and south of the Mile Strip Expressway.
- West of Seneca drive, three structures would be rebuilt in the general design, but the centerline will be moved approximately 38 feet to the west.

**Segment 4 (Runs east to west. Then mile 15.3 to 16.9):** ([/assets/simulations/segment-04-simulation.pdf](#)) Located in the Town of Lackawanna, the existing double-circuit 115kV lattice structures and associated wires would be removed and not replaced in the transmission right-of-way (ROW). The new structures would instead be built in the Segment 4 Bypass ROW, described below.

**Segment 4 Bypass:** ([/assets/simulations/segment-04-simulation-Bypass.pdf](#)) The Segment 4 Bypass is located in the Towns of Hamburg and Lackawanna, and will be built using existing an existing transmission right-of-way. A new double-circuit 115kV monopole structure will be built to the west of existing double-circuit 115kV lattice structures.

**Segment 5 (Mile 16.9 to 18.9):** ([/assets/simulations/segment-05-simulation.pdf](#)) Located in the Towns of Lackawanna and West Seneca, the existing single-circuit 34.5kV lattice structure would be removed and replace with a double-circuit 115kV monopole structure. Also, the existing double-circuit 115kV lattice structure would be removed and replaced with a single-circuit 34.5kV sub-transmission pole structure.

**Segment 6 (Mile 18.9 to 20.3):** ([/assets/simulations/segment-06-simulation.pdf](#)) Located in the Town of West Seneca and terminating before the Gardenville Substation, Segment 6 generally involves the removal of existing double-circuit 115kV lattice structures and replacing them approximately 45 feet west of the existing centerline with a double-circuit 115kV monopole structure. The final .4 miles of the project (near Meyer Road, State Highway 400, and Center Road) would involve reconductoring (replacing wires) on existing lattice structures.

## CONSTRUCTION PROCESS

Rebuilding an electric transmission line involves a variety of activities set out in phases. Below are sample descriptions and photos; actual construction sequencing, methods, and materials will vary.



### 1. Site Preparation:

The first phase of site preparation and construction is tree and brush clearing. Clearing allows construction crews to build access roads and remove any trees that are in danger of falling into the transmission lines. Marshaling yards will be established to house materials and construction crews.



**2. Environmental Controls:**

Next, environmental controls would be installed to mitigate construction impacts to the area. These can include matting, silt fence, concrete washouts, among others.



**3. Transmission Line Rebuilding:**

The next phase would be transmission line rebuilding, where foundations are poured, structures are spotted and erected, and new wire is strung and energized. Old structures would be removed from the transmission right-of-way. This work would be done with a variety of equipment, including cranes and other heavy equipment.





#### 4. Restoration:

The final phase of construction is ground surface restoration, in which the construction area is restored to the condition it was in before construction.

## CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE

Please check back for updates to the construction schedule

2019

- 5/29/2019 Project Update:
  - Survey crews are currently performing activities on the transmission right-of-way to support engineering design. These activities include the use of motorized equipment; we ask that our neighbors stay clear of this equipment for safety. Please note that contractors and National Grid employees are required to carry photo identification.
- Public Statement Hearing:
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  - More information about the Public Statement Hearing can be found here ([/assets/Gardenville Dunkirk Public Notice.pdf](/assets/Gardenville%20Dunkirk%20Public%20Notice.pdf)).

## GET IN TOUCH

For more information about the Gardenville - Dunkirk 141/142 Transmission Rebuild Project, please send us an email (<mailto:info@gardenvilledunkirktransmission.com>) or call us at (844) 324-3588 (tel:8443243588).

### Contact Us

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**GE - Geres Lock #8  
Reconductoring Project**

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**GE - Geres Lock #8  
Reconductoring Project**

The GE – Geres Lock #8 Reconductoring Project involves upgrades and maintenance work on an existing electric transmission line. Work includes replacing existing conductor (wires) and select transmission structures. The Project is approximately nine miles long and located in Onondaga County, New York. Once built, the voltage of the line will remain the same.

**nationalgrid**

May 23, 2019

**Re: GE – Geres Lock #8 Reconductoring Project**

Dear Neighbor:

We at National Grid continue to work on providing safe and reliable energy to our customers. To accomplish that, we must invest in routine maintenance and upgrades to our existing electric facilities. One of these upgrades is the GE – Geres Lock #8 Reconductoring Project (“Project”), an upcoming project to upgrade and perform maintenance to an existing 7.3-mile-long 115 kV electric transmission line that travels through the Village of Solvay, Towns of Salina, Geddes, Camillus, Clay, and Van Buren, and the Hamlet of Lakeland, all located in the Onondaga County, New York.

As you may know, National Grid owns the existing 115 kilovolt (kV) electric transmission lines located near your property. This letter is meant to provide you with information on the Project, along with a timeline for construction. The Project will upgrade existing conductor (wires) and replace select existing transmission structures in the National Grid corridor adjacent to your property. These select structures that will be replaced will be slightly taller than the existing structures, allowing National Grid to meet the most up to date clearance and safety codes. Once built, the voltage of the line will remain the same. This Project is needed to improve asset conditions on these transmission lines, as the existing infrastructure is decades old. Upon completion, the project will improve the electric reliability in your area, as well as increase the safety of the line by adhering to today’s code requirements.

National Grid crews and contractors are currently in their final preparations, performing the necessary fieldwork and planning needed to provide for the safety of crews and our neighbors. We expect to begin construction in the summer of 2019 and conclude in the spring of 2020. Please note, all crew members and contractors are required to carry identification. Also, for your safety, we ask that you stay away from construction areas and that you safeguard children, pets, and other vulnerable persons during construction.

Attached with this letter is a Project fact sheet describing the Project along with a map of the Project route.

Our aim at National Grid is to deliver your utilities in the safest and most reliable manner. If you have any questions or concerns about the project, either before or during construction, feel free to reach me at 315-428-6405 or by email at [susan.sayre@nationalgrid.com](mailto:susan.sayre@nationalgrid.com). We appreciate your cooperation and assistance as we move forward with this important Project.

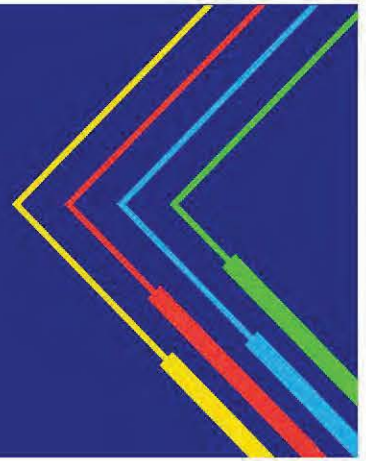
Best Regards,



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# GE - Geres Lock #8 Reconductoring Project

## Central New York



Our commitment to our customers and communities begins by providing safe, reliable service, and meeting the increasing demand for energy. To that end National Grid will be making investments in our electric infrastructure to assure reliability and the meet customer needs in Central New York.

### Project Description

The GE – Geres Lock #8 Reconductoring Project involves upgrade/maintenance work on an existing electric transmission line that would replace existing conductor (wires), along with the replacement of select transmission structures along the line. The Project is approximately nine miles long and is in the Villages of Solvay, Towns of Salina, Geddes, Clay, Van Buren, Camillus, and Hamlets of Lakeland in Onondaga County, New York (NY). Once built, the voltage of the line will remain the same. The transmission line is situated in National Grid's right-of-way and will be permitted under Part 102 of the NY Public Service Law.

### Project Benefits

The replacement of the wires and structures are needed to improve the condition of National Grid's assets. Upon completion the project will improve the electric reliability for the area, as well as increase the safety of the line by adhering to today's code requirements.

### Project Safety

Please note, all crew members and contractors are required to carry identification. Also, for your safety, we ask that you stay away from construction areas and that you safeguard children, pets, and other vulnerable persons during construction.

### Project Timeline

*Timelines may shift during construction.*

- Summer 2019: Anticipated Construction Start
- Winter 2020: Anticipated Construction Completion



### Questions about this project?

#### Please contact:

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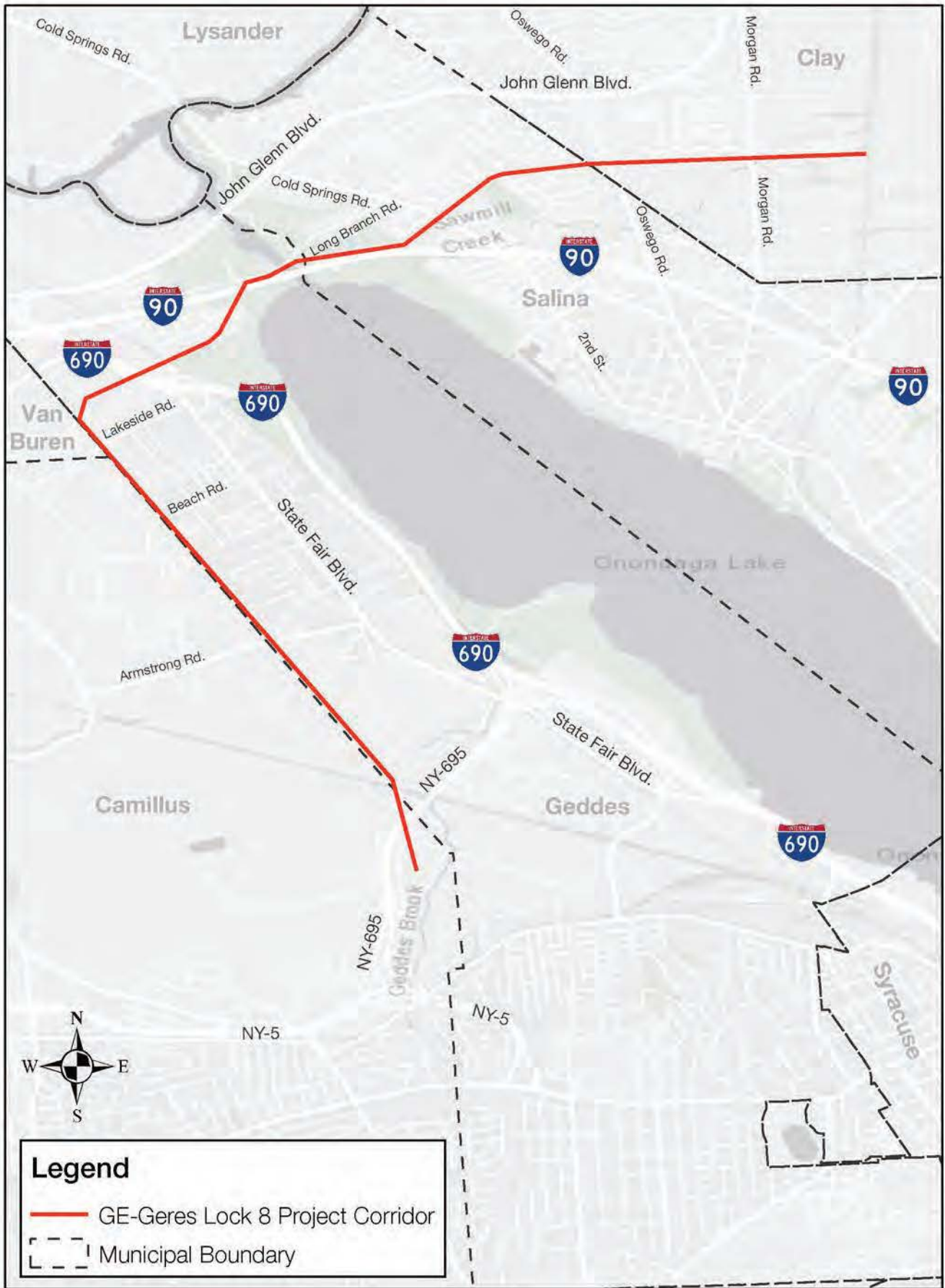
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An overview map is on the back 

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**Hartfield – South Dow Line #859  
34.5 kV Sub-Transmission**

Sorry we missed you!  
We want to let you know that:

Our Real Estate Representative missed you while you were out. We are looking to discuss vegetation management and real estate matters along the sub-transmission electric line near your property.

Thank You, National Grid

**Please contact us at:**



Thank you for your understanding.

**Project Update**