Hello!

The Limestone Ridge Project virtual public meeting will begin shortly.

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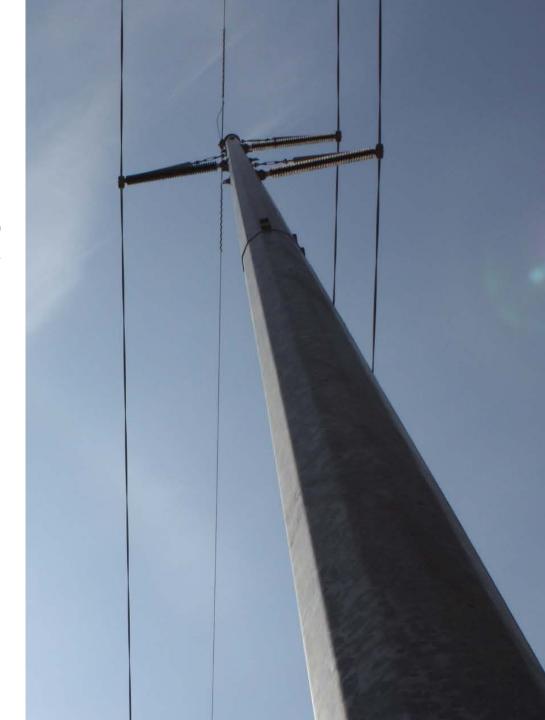


Welcome to the Limestone Ridge Project Virtual Public Meeting

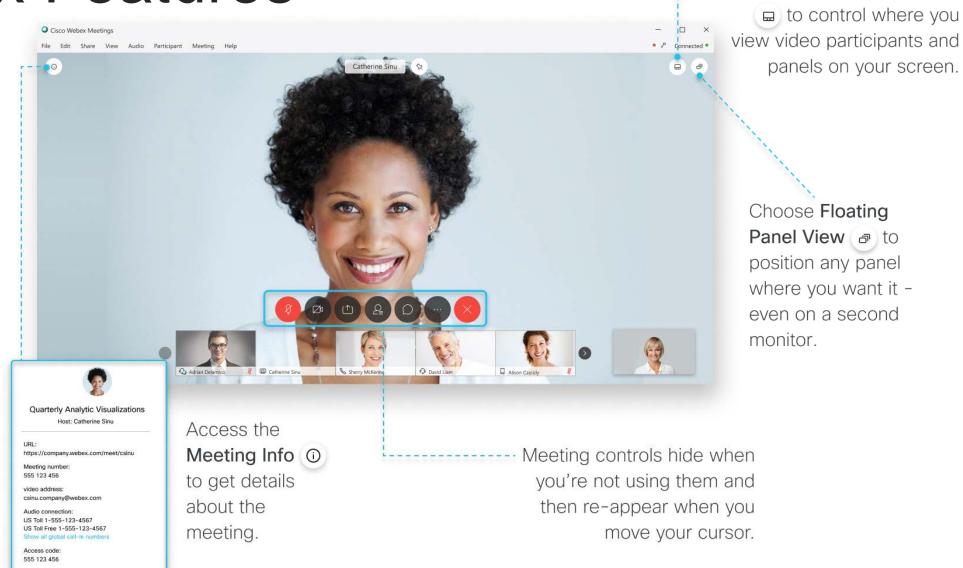
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<u>Agenda</u>



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INTRODUCTIONS



ROUTING INPUT



PROJECT OVERVIEW



Q&A



INTEGRATED ROUTING PROCESS



WRAP-UP





OPEN HOUSE & COVID-19

Due to COVID-19, we are taking action to keep you and our staff safe and healthy. Ameren has indefinitely postponed all public meetings and inperson events. Public engagement remains a top priority for our project team and we appreciate you joining us online to learn more about this project and provide input on the project development within the study area.







Submitted Questions

Thank you to everyone who submitted questions prior to the meeting!

Our project team will answer and address those during the Q&A portion of today's presentation.





Presenters











Ameren Support Project Staff



Carmen Bruns

Transmission Line Design Engineering



Ross Hohlt

Consulting Engineer Transmission Policy



Matt Killebrew

Transmission Construction Manager



Mary Hetz

Transmission Vegetation Management Manager



Craig Hiser

Transmission Real Estate Supervisor



Kenny Lynn

Consulting Environmental Scientist





Transmission at Ameren

- Electric transmission businesses (including ATXI) rate regulated by Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
- Operates over 8,200 circuit miles of transmission
- ATXI develops regional transmission projects







Limestone Ridge Project



Proposing to construct a new, approximately 12-19 mile 138 kV transmission line and associated facilities in Southeast Missouri.



The new line is planned to connect a new substation in Perry County to a new substation in Cape Girardeau County.



The project is proposed to be in service by December 2023.





Project Partners













Wabash Support Project Staff







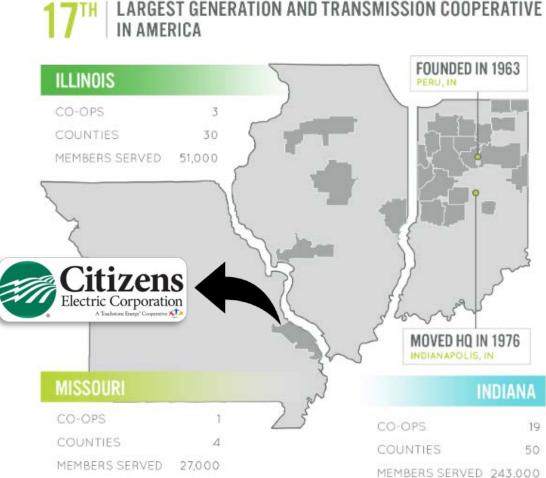




Wabash Valley Power Alliance

WABASH VALLEY POWER IS A NOT-FOR-PROFIT ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE AND WHOLESALE PROVIDER OF ELECTRICITY TO OUR MEMBERS:









Wabash Valley Power Alliance

- Proposing to construct a new 138kV substation owned by Wabash Valley Power Alliance, which will be maintained and operated by Citizens Electric Corporation.
- Expansion and modifications to two existing WVPA-owned substations also maintained and operated by CEC.
- The project is proposed to be in service by December 2023.







Project Need



 Improve energy reliability for local homes and businesses



 Provide additional energy support to local manufacturing facilities



 Support continued area economic growth

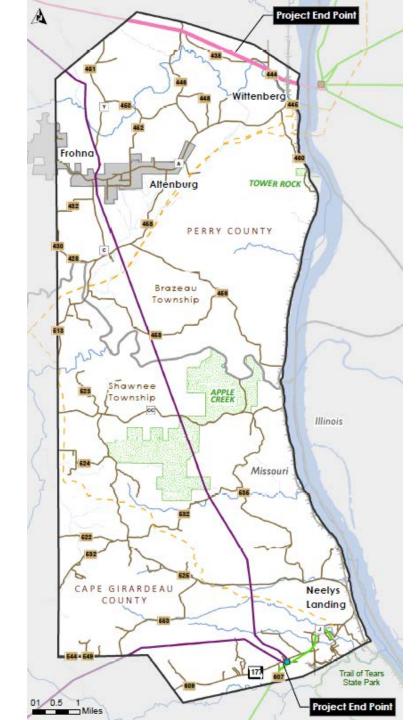




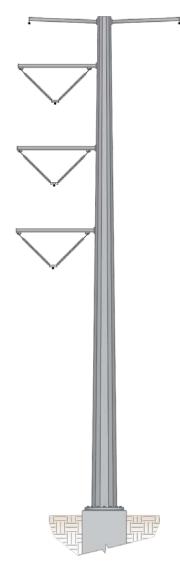
Study Area







Structures



Typical 138kV Steel Monopole Structures*

• Height: 100 - 160 ft

• Span: 800 - 1,000 ft

Structures/mile: 6 - 7

Conductor clearance: 25 ft (minimum)

Drilled pier foundation: 7 - 12 ft

Easement width: 125 ft

*138kV with the potential of a future 345kV circuit





Anticipated Schedule

2020

- Collect data
- Gather public input
- Develop routes

A 2021

- Engineering & permitting
- File Certificate with PSC
- PSC review process

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- Engineering & permitting
- Field surveys
- Real estate acquisitions
- Preconstruction activities

2023

- Construction
- Project in-service (December)





Routing Process & Stakeholder Outreach

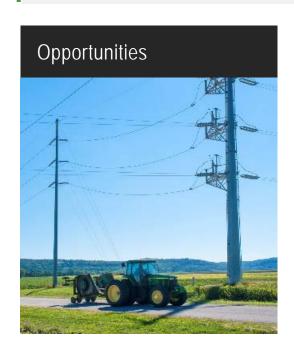
Gather and **Potential** Identify, Analyze, **Review Data** Route & Select Final Route Ongoing Corridors Study **Preliminary Route** Prepare regulatory (or PSC) documents **Alternatives** Area



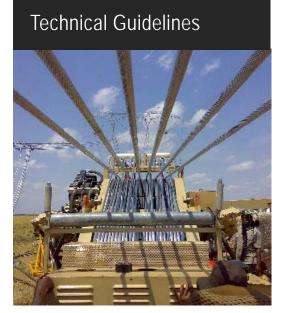


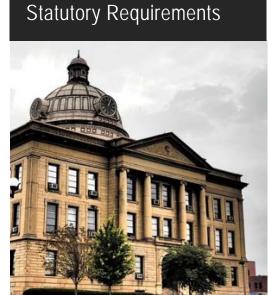


Our goal is to take advantage of Opportunities while understanding and minimizing impacts to Sensitivities and adhering to Technical Guidelines and Statutory Requirements.













OPPORTUNITIES

Field Lines

Property Lines

Section Lines

Roads

Utility Corridors

SENSITIVITIES

Agricultural conflicts

Airports/VOR

Cemeteries

Communication Towers

Conservation Areas

Planned Development

Floodplains

Forest

Hospitals

Karst Areas

Levees

Mines/Quarries

Nature Preserves

Pipelines*

Railroads*

Religious Facilities

Residences

Scenic Highways

Schools/Daycares

Streams/Wetlands

Wells

*Linear features with additional precautions and studies needed





Technical Guidelines:

- Minimize length
- Ensure adequate access for construction and maintenance activities
- Comply with horizontal and vertical clearance requirements
- Maintain required or sufficient setbacks from roads and highways
- Minimize angle structures
- Minimize crossing of existing transmission lines
- Minimize impractical construction requirements (e.g. steep slopes)
- Minimize non-standard designs
- Ensure safety and compatibility with existing infrastructure







Agency Coordination:



















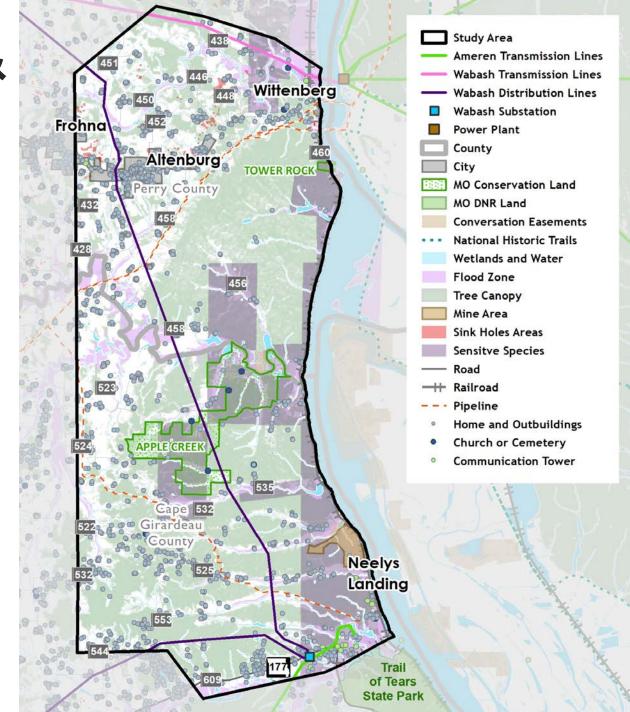


Initial Opportunities & Sensitivities

- Structures
- Resources Areas
- Sensitive Species
- Floodplain/Wetlands
- Forested Areas
- Steep slope







Potential Route Corridors

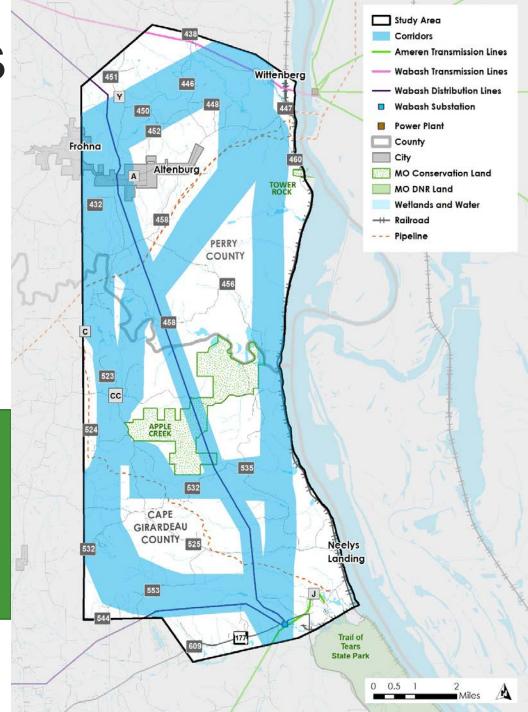
- Maximize Opportunities
- Minimize Sensitivities
- Follow Technical Guidelines
- Adhere to Statutory and Regulatory Requirements

Public Input Opportunity!

Share comments on Potential Route Corridors to help the routing team define Preliminary Routes Developed within these Corridors.







Real Estate

Once a final route has been approved, Ameren will begin negotiations for acquiring easements.

Easement Discussions

Project representatives will meet with affected landowners to discuss:

- Land surveys and studies
- Proposed easement
- Type(s) of structures
- Compensation
- Property restoration
- Damage settlements
- Right-of-way clearing





What is an easement?

An easement is an interest or right to use the land of another for a specific purpose. Ameren and our partners will be seeking to obtain easements from affected landowners for the construction, operation, and maintenance of the electric transmission line.



Preconstruction Activities



Field Surveys

The field data we collect allows our scientists and engineers to plan and design the line with the information necessary for construction.



Archaeological Surveys

Archaeological surveys consist of walking the easement area to look for cultural artifacts on the ground. If artifacts are found, they are collected for further analysis.



Wildlife Surveys

Wildlife surveys provide important data about the species living in the area, helping us plan how to minimize impacts to wildlife species and habitat.



Soil Surveys

The design process requires information about the soil where the structure will be located. Collecting soil information is completed using the following steps by our geotechnical field survey crews:

- Gather samples from each site by digging a 4-6 inch wide hole into the ground, known as a soil boring. Soil boring areas will be filled back in after the survey.
- Review samples to determine the physical properties and layering of the soil.
- Use soil information to design each structure.



Wetland and Stream Surveys

The purpose of the surveys is to determine if these features can be classified as a wetland or a stream based on U.S. Army Corps of Engineers guidelines. The crew will collect data on vegetation, hydrology and soil characteristics.





Construction Phases

A one-year construction season is anticipated in 2023. There will be six major stages of construction including:



Survey structure locations



Auger holes and pour foundation



Assemble structure on the ground



Lift and place structure on foundation



String wires



Restore easement and energize line





We want to hear from you!



Engagement Opportunities: Virtual Open House and Comment Map

Limestone Ridge Project Online Open House Ameren Wabash Valle **WELCOME** Visit our website: Thank you for your participation in our online engagement! The slides in this session are filled with information about Limestone Ridge Project. Please read the materials, submit Limestoneridgeproject.com responses to the survey questions and share valuable input with us through our interactive comment map. LIMESTONE RIDGE ocess & Stakeholde How to How to COMMENT NAVIGATE Provide a comment at any point by clicking the "Comment" button at the top right of Click the arrows on the right of your screen to go forward or the left to go backward. Use the navigation bar on the top or along the right side of your screen to revisit any your screen. Once finished, please make sure to hit "Submit" to confirm that your : This Site part of the meeting comment is sent to the project team. Close the form to continue through the slides To prevent the further spread of COVID-19, Ameren has indefinitely postponed all public meetings and in-person events. Public engagement remains a top priority for our project team and we appreciate you joining us online to learn more about this project. Our team has engagement opportunities tentatively scheduled for later this fall, pending the status of COVID-19 restrictions.





Engagement Opportunities: Information Packets



Each packet includes:

- Project overview handout
- 11x17 Corridors Map
- Comment form
- Routing criteria input



Pick up a packet:



1500 Rand Avenue Perryville, MO 63775 Monday-Friday between 7:30am-5:00pm from August 10 – August 24



Request a mailed packet:

Call Us 573.232.3003 and leave a message

Email Us limestoneridgeproject@ameren.com

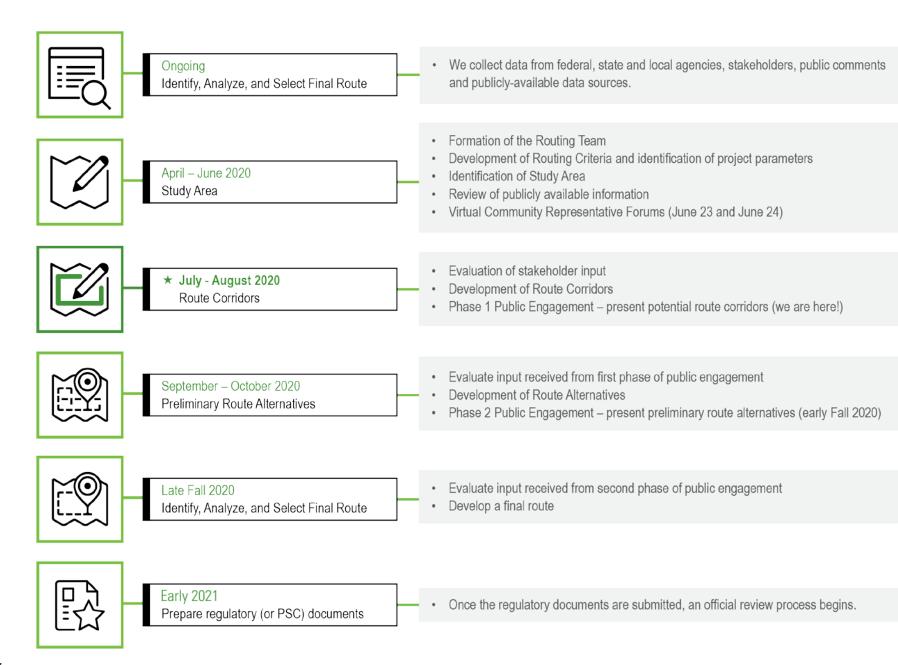






Next Steps

Engagement opportunities are anticipated later this fall. Visit our project website and sign up to receive email updates on engagement opportunities!







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