The CapX2020 utilities will use a helicopter for transmission line work between Freeport and Barnesville starting in May 2014. A helicopter will occasionally fly in close proximity to the new transmission structures along Interstate 94. A helicopter will assist in the stringing of transmission conductor (wire) and in attaching components to the conductor. Crews will also use a helicopter to conduct several Interstate 94 crossings that may result in traffic slow downs.

Implosive connectors will be used in the line construction to splice transmission conductor joints and to connect conductor to the structures. The split second detonation creates a flash and a loud boom.
About the project

The CapX2020 Fargo-St Cloud project is a double-circuit capable 345 kV transmission line being built between the new Quarry Substation northwest of St. Cloud and the new Bison Substation west of Fargo. The line will be constructed primarily of single pole steel structures attached to concrete foundations spaced about five per mile. Construction is expected to be complete in 2015.

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