CapX2020 files Monticello-St. Cloud Route Permit application
Landowners encouraged to stay involved

The CapX2020 utilities filed a Route Permit application with the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) in early April for the Monticello-St. Cloud 345-kilovolt (kV) transmission line. Landowners owning property within one of three route options were mailed an informational packet in early April. A Route Permit application will be filed for the Fargo-St. Cloud 345-kV transmission line project later in 2009.

Three route options were proposed for the approximately 30-mile-long transmission line and associated substations. The Commission determines the final route after a lengthy review process that includes preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement, public meetings held by the Department of Commerce, Office of Energy Security, and public hearings held by the Commission and overseen by an administrative law judge.

The CapX2020 utilities encourage all landowners, regardless if they have property within a route option, to continue attending meetings and participating in the public process. There have been instances in Minnesota where the Commission has certified routes not proposed in the utilities’ Route Permit application.

If you have questions about the Route Permit application or current project status, please call 1-866-876-2869 or email fargoinfo@capx2020.com.

If you would like to receive written notices of project milestones regarding the environmental review process, including availability notice of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement, please sign up for the project contact list at http://energyfacilities.puc.state.mn.us/ or by contacting:

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**Saint Cloud Public Library**
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**Monticello Public Library**
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Monticello, MN 55362
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**Elk River Public Library**
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The Monticello-St. Cloud 345-kV transmission line project preferred and alternate routes detailed in the map below were filed in a Minnesota Route Permit application on April 8, 2009. The route options were developed based on a review of required routing criteria and information gathered from landowners, local government officials, state and federal agencies, and other interested stakeholders. A Route Permit from the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission is required before the project can be constructed. The Commission determines the transmission line's final route and design. Please continue to be involved with this important project.

Monticello-St. Cloud route options

Legend

- Preferred Route
- Alternate Route A
- Alternate Route B
- Quarry Substation Siting Area Alternate 1
- Quarry Substation Siting Area Alternate 2
- Existing Substation
- Township
- Municipal Boundary
- Lakes
- Rivers

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