

Central Virginia Electric Cooperative 115kV Midway Transmission Line Rebuild Midway Substation to Martin's Store Substation Phase 2

Corporate Headquarters

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Board of Supervisors

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VICINITY MAP







Existing 115 kV Transmission Line:

- Extends from Midway Substation in Albemarle County to Martin's Store Substation in Nelson County.
- Radial Feed of approximately 11 miles (6.2 miles in Albemarle County and 4.8 miles in Nelson County)
- Line and Structures are 40+ years of age.







Existing 115 kV Transmission Line:

- Existing structures are mostly 2-pole wood structures (H-Frame) with wood cross-arms.
- The existing 115 kV poles in Albemarle County range in height from 45' to 70'.







PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

- The Phase II project consists of replacing approximately 2.8 miles of the existing line and structures remaining in Albemarle County with a new line and structures.
- Phase I consisted of replacing 3.4 miles and was completed in 2023.
- The total project was divided into two phases due to financial and manpower restraints.
- New 115 kV single-pole transmission line will be constructed near the center of the existing 150' CVEC easement.





PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

- No additional easement will be required.
- CVEC easement is maintained & will not require any cutting.
- The transmission line project is an upgrade to the poles only.
- The new 115 kV poles in Albemarle County will range in height from 58' to 82.5' due to vertical construction.





PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

- New 115 kV Transmission Line: Single-pole design on ductile iron poles with vertical construction.
- Existing 115 kV H-frame transmission line will be removed once the new line is constructed.









NEED FOR UPGRADE:

- The existing 115 kV transmission line is 40+ years of age
- Needs to be replaced due to deterioration of the wood poles and wood cross-arms.
- Serves 6,750 members through 4 other substations, all on the radial feed.





NEED FOR UPGRADE:

- CVEC has had several outages within the past several years which affected all 6,750 customers.
- This upgrade will increase the reliability to our members and to the CVEC system.
- Ductile iron poles are resistant to woodpeckers, insects, and rot, and has a weathered Natural Finish, which is bare iron and looks similar to a wood pole finish.





IMPACTS ON PUBLIC FACILITIES AND PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE:

Properties surrounding the transmission line are rural with a mix of vacant, residential, farmland, hunting property, etc. All Right-Of-Way is clear with a mix of maintained fields.







TYPICAL CROSS SECTION







IMPACTS ON ENVIRONMENTAL FEATURES

- No impacts are expected from the proposed project due to the work being performed in an existing Right-of-Way.
- The design will avoid sensitive areas.
- All work will be performed with a rubber-tracked vehicle throughout the project length.





CAREFUL DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS





STREAMS & PONDS



LEGEND







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LEGEND

PROJECT AREA	
STREAM	
POND	





VEGETATION MANAGEMENT

- Central Virginia Electric Cooperative (CVEC) performs extensive work each year to cut and maintain rights-of-way for new and existing electric lines along its 4,500-mile system utilizing Integrated Vegetation Management (IVM).
- CVEC invests more than \$2.5 million annually in its vegetation management system, in order to increase reliability for its members and to remove danger trees from areas near the electric lines.





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