COMMENT FORM
Public Scoping Meetings

We need your input. Please take a few minutes to provide your comments or questions for the USDA RUS Federal Environmental Impact Statement process and return your completed form today or mail by June 29, 2009. Your comments help in the planning and implementation of the project. **Thank you.**

Completing this form will automatically add you to our mailing list. If you prefer to not be on the mailing list, please check the box below.

☐ *I do not wish to be on the project mailing list*

Which meeting did you attend? Centerville Community Center - Trempealeau WI.

Please check the following issues that are important to you for transmission line siting.

- ☒ Project Purpose and Need
- ☒ Visual / Aesthetic resources
- ☐ Proximity to residences
- ☒ Land use (agriculture, residential, recreation)
- ☐ Water resources (floodplains, river crossings)
- ☒ Biological resources (wildlife habitat, raptors)
- ☐ Historic and cultural sites
- ☐ Radio or television interference
- ☐ Noise
- ☒ Health and safety
- ☐ Other: _____

What additional key issues should be addressed when assessing the potential impacts of this project?

I-139-001 the unnecessary confiscation and destruction of private property in the unique Driftless Area of western Wisconsin. when an existing corridor already exists without detouring into western Wisconsin.

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I-139-001

Your comment has been noted. The Draft Environmental Impact Statement will describe, in detail, project purpose and need. The justification document which has been accepted by the RUS is the Alternative Evaluation study which is available at: http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/ees/eis.htm.

The Draft Environmental Impact Statement will be available on the RUS website at: http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/ees/eis.htm. Comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement will be solicited after its publication.

If you own property in one of the proposed corridors, please indicate all the existing uses of your property below:

- [x] Agriculture
- [x] Residential
- [ ] Conservation Easement
- [ ] Commercial
- [ ] Industrial
- [ ] Other: Recreation

Please describe any special uses or circumstances on your property that should be considered when assessing the Project. Please indicate the location of your property.

We have purchased our property to preserve it in its Natural State and protect it from Development. If this project were to go thru our property the Confiscation and Subsequent Destruction of 150' of Right of way thru the Center of this 40 Acre parcel would totally Destroy our purpose. our property is Located in Trempealeau County Wisconsin Directly in the Path of the Northernmost and Easternmost Possible Route in Western Wisconsin.

In your opinion, what are the most sensitive resources (biological, cultural, recreational, ect.) in the Project area and why?

In my opinion the most Sensitive Resources are the Very unique, Beautiful and Sensitive Hills and Coulees of the unglaciated, Driftless area of western Wisconsin.

I-139-003 It makes Absolutly no sense to Detour this project into the Hills of western Wisconsin Destroying 100s of Acres of private property when a much Shorter Corridor already Exists much of which is Already Publicly owned.

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In your opinion, was the project description, purpose, and need for the project adequately explained? If not, what additional information is needed?

I-139-002 the project Description was Explained along with its purpose However the need was Left questionable It was Explained As Being "Redundant"

Please tell us how to reach you.

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Public participation for the Federal, Minnesota, and Wisconsin permitting processes will be ongoing for the Hampton- Rochester- La Crosse 345 kV Transmission Project. If you sign up for the mailing list, you will be notified when opportunities to participate are being planned.

Please plan to continue your involvement in the process and provide your comments. We appreciate your input.

I-139-002

Your comment has been noted. The Draft Environmental Impact Statement will describe, in detail, project purpose and need. The justification document which has been accepted by the RUS is the Alternative Evaluation study which is available at: http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/ees/eis.htm.

I-139-003

Your comment has been noted. The criteria used to route the transmission line is described in the Macro Corridor Study which is available on the RUS website at: http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/ees/eis.htm. These criteria and routing process will be addressed in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement. The project is still in the development and planning stages and the utilities have not yet permitted a route for the transmission line.