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, WI, 61

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?

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

☐ Agriculture ☐ Residential ☐ Conservation Easement

☐ Commercial ☐ Industrial ☐ Other: _____

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

AVOID Lowland Forests &
Sensitive biological communities

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

I-157-009 Biological - Critical Habitats for plants, & animals, especially endangered, threatened & special Concern species AND biological communities such as lowland floodplane forest.

I-157-001 Social-Health siting in highly populated areas.

I-157-010 Cultural - Several archeological sites exist near the Mississippi River & tributaries

I-157-001

Your letter/comment card has been noted. The criteria used to route the transmission line is described in the Macro Corridor Study which is available 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.

Potential impacts to human and livestock health and safety will be addressed in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement and 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.

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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?

No No No

I-157-002 Very poor presentation of information related to natural Resources, existing corridors vs new corridors.

I-157-003 Critical Areas for biological. plant & animal communities not available.

I-157-004 Maps of proposed Routes AS HANDOUTS not easily obtained

I-157-005 GIS maps not self explanatory

I-157-006 Overheard some of the "staff" blaming DNR & FWS for moving possible route through Blair without explaining their concerns.

I-157-007 Overall considering the number of "staff" & resources available, this was a very poor presentation. Also very poorly justified. Only one copy of report available for inspection on site

Please tell us how to reach you.

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I-157-008 This comment sheet is not adequate.

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-157-002

Your comment has been noted. Potential impacts to wildlife and vegetation will be addressed in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement.

I-157-003

Your comment has been noted. Please refer to comment response I-157-002.

I-157-004

The project is still in the development and planning stages and the utilities are striving to provide the most up to date information in a timely manner. Project information is updated regularly on the project website, www.capx2020.com.

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I-157-005

Your comment has been noted. Please refer to comment response XXX

I-157-006

Your comment has been noted. Potential impacts to wildlife, vegetation, and wetlands will be addressed in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement.

I-157-007

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I-157-008
Your comment has been noted. Please refer to comment response XXX

I-157-009
Your comment has been noted. Potential impacts to federal and state listed wildlife and vegetation will be addressed in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement.

I-157-010
Your comment has been noted. Impacts to historic and archeological resources affected by the transmission line will be addressed in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement.