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IMPORTANT - NEW POWER LINES COMING TO YOUR AREA

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APS COTTON TRANSMISSION CORRIDOR

Public Information Open Houses

In-Person Open Houses

Date/Time: March 25, 2025 / 5-7 p.m. Location: Gila Bend High School

777 N. Logan Ave., Gila Bend, AZ 85337

Date/Time: March 26, 2025 / 5-7 p.m.
Location: Buckeye Elementary School

210 S. 6th St., Buckeye, AZ 85326

Date/Time: March 27, 2025 / 5-7 p.m.

Location: Avondale Elementary School District

295 W. Western Ave., Avondale, AZ 85323

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Find the link to our virtual open house at aps.com/ctc



APS COTTON TRANSMISSION CORRIDOR

We have started studies to determine appropriate routes for new power lines in western Maricopa County to improve electrical infrastructure and strengthen reliability for existing and future APS customers in the region. These new power lines will include 230-kilovolt (230kV) and 500-kilovolt (500kV) facilities and will connect new and existing substations in Gila Bend, Buckeye, Goodyear, and Avondale (see included map). We are working to identify locations for the new lines to best meet the needs of our customers and the community.

Various environmental and engineering studies are underway, and we want your input to help us identify preferred routes and locations for the new power lines. We will then work with the Bureau of Land Management for an environmental review and decision. Following this, we will apply for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility (CEC) to build the power lines. This includes presenting the project at a hearing before the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee. If approved, the CEC will be considered by the Arizona Corporation Commission and make a final decision on the CEC.



We have begun studies to determine appropriate locations for new 230kV and 500kV power lines, including structures and poles approximately 130 to 200 feet tall. They will be placed in new or existing rights-of-way or easements 120 to 200 feet wide.



This project will provide improved infrastructure to support the existing and future needs of APS customers, and strengthen the reliability of the APS transmission system in the region.



March 2025

Your input will help us identify routes for new power lines spanning approximately 53 miles in western Maricopa County, connecting new and existing substations in Gila Bend, Buckeye, Goodyear, and Avondale (see included map).

PROJECT SCHEDULE

2024 2ND-4TH QUARTER

- Collect data
- Gather stakeholder input
- Identify routing opportunities
- 2025 3RD QUARTER
- Refine preliminary power line routes
- Second open house

2026 THROUGH 2028

- Finalize NEPA analysis
- File CEC application
- Hold public hearing
- ACC decision regarding CEC



- Analyze routing opportunities
- Develop preliminary power line routes
- First open house
- 2025 3RD/4TH QUARTER
- Identify preferred power line routeBegin National
- Begin National
 Environmental Policy
 Act (NEPA) Analysis



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PROJECT FEATURES

Monopole (single-pole) structures are commonly used for new 230kV and 500kV power lines, though various steel structure types may also be used. These structure heights typically range from 130 to 200 feet in height depending on routing, terrain, and crossing of existing structures, including elevated roads and other power lines.

Any opportunity to use existing power line routes for the new structures will be considered. However, new rights-of -way and/or easements, approximately 120 to 200 feet wide, will be needed.

PUBLIC INPUT

We care about your input, and invite you to visit our inperson open house during scheduled times, or the virtual open house and project website at any time, to learn more about the project and the siting process. You will be able to ask us questions and provide input. If you cannot attend in person or access the site online, you can call, email, or request a copy to be mailed to you.

We welcome your feedback. Comments will be accepted throughout the duration of the project. At this stage, please provide your comments by April 27, 2025. This allows for timely review and consideration of your input during the siting process.

To learn more, please visit the APS Cotton Transmission Corridor website at aps.com/ctc. Comments and questions may be submitted within the virtual open house, the project website, or by phone or email to:

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