

# ABOITE CENTER-ILLINOIS ROAD TRANSMISSION LINE REBUILD PROJECT

Indiana Michigan Power representatives plan power grid upgrades to improve electric reliability for customers in western Fort Wayne. The Aboite Center-Illinois Road Transmission Line Rebuild Project involves rebuilding about 7 miles of 69-kilovolt (kV) transmission line.

## WHAT

The project involves:

- Rebuilding 7 miles of 69-kV transmission line connecting three area substations.
- Replacing existing transmission line with new wire.
- Upgrading wooden poles with modern steel.
- Crews need to clear all trees and woody-stemmed vegetation within the 50-foot right-of-way corridor to ensure the safe construction, operation and maintenance of the power line.

## WHY

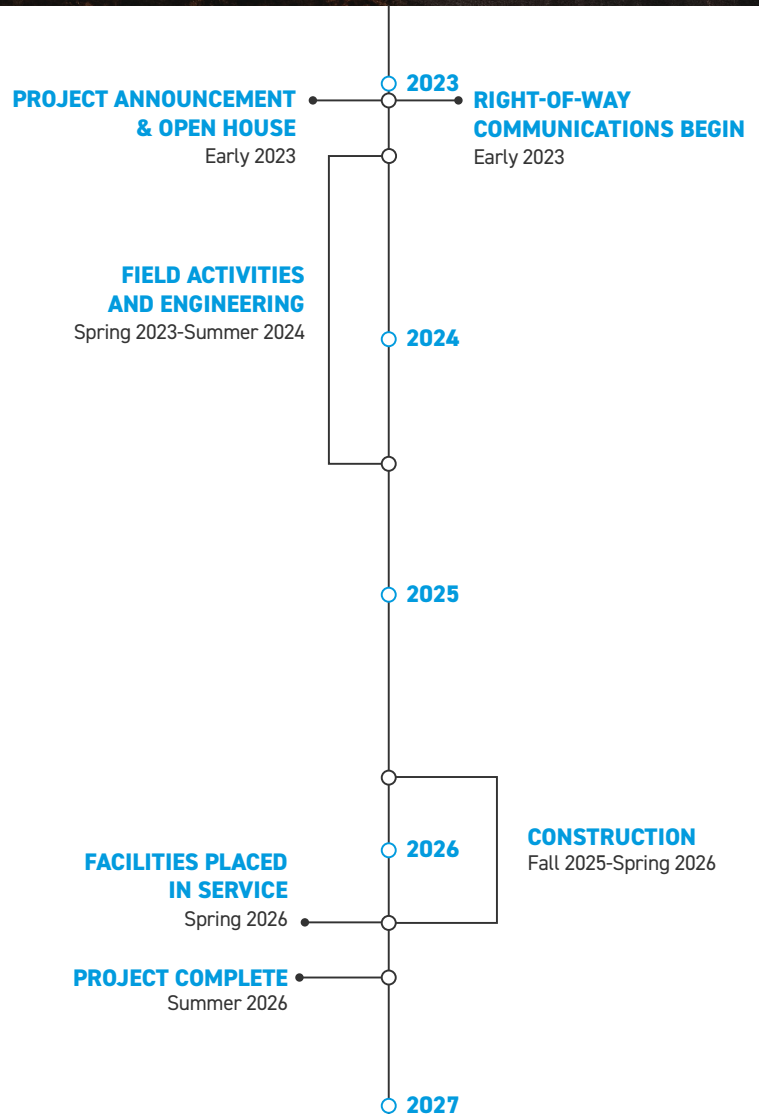
The project strengthens the electric transmission system by replacing aging wooden poles from the 1960s. The existing transmission line has experienced more than 5 service interruptions since 2015 and requires frequent maintenance in its current condition. These upgrades improve operational performance, reduce the likelihood of extended power outages and enhance electric reliability for area customers.

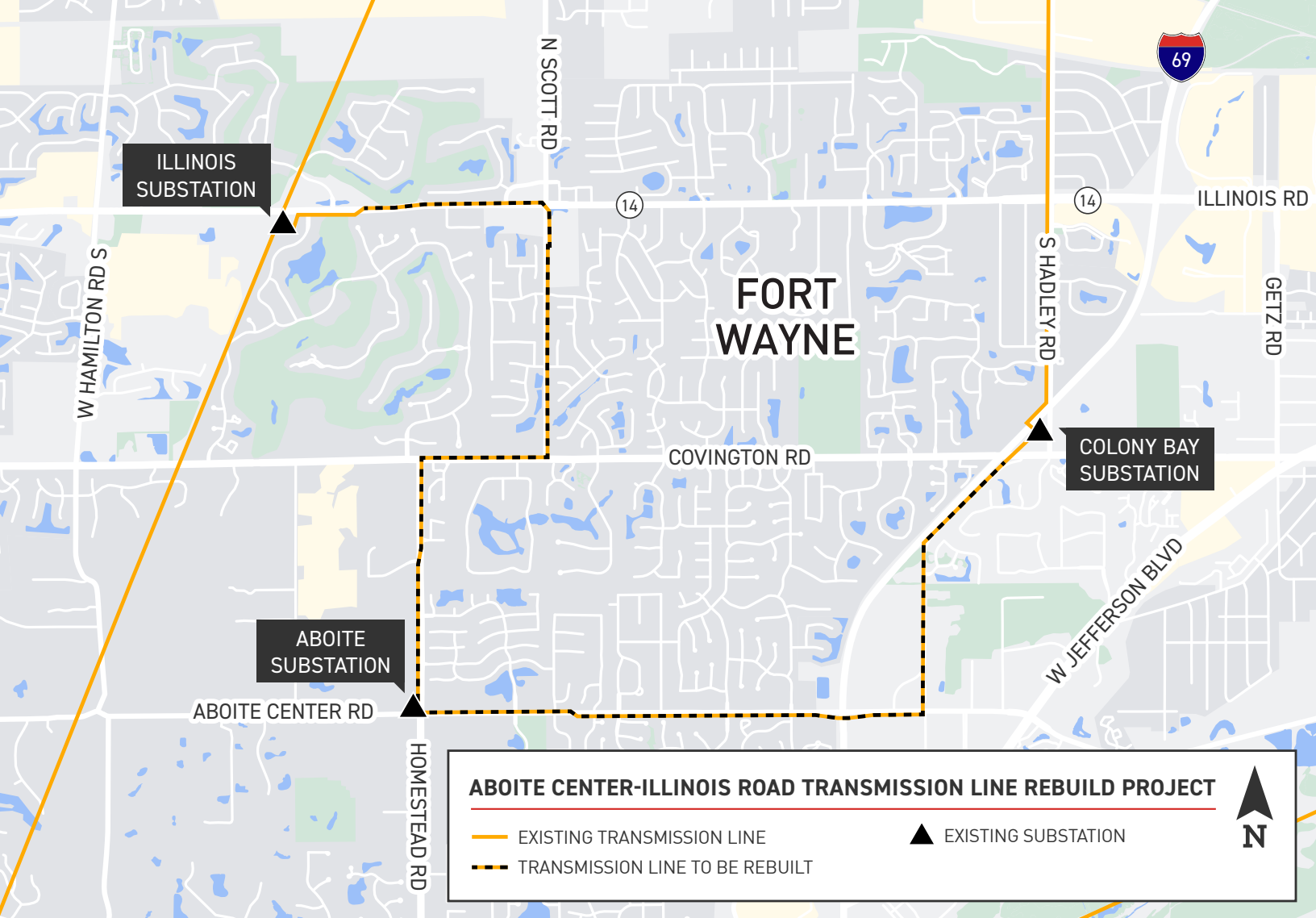
## WHERE

The project area includes:

- Fort Wayne
- Aboite Township in Allen County

Company representatives plan to rebuild most of the power line in or near the existing right-of-way, which may involve acquiring new or updating existing property easements.



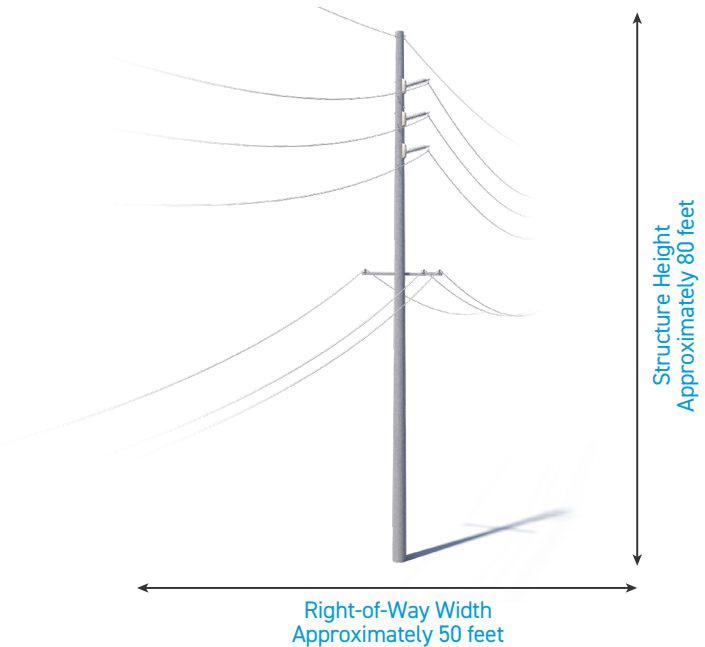


## TYPICAL STRUCTURES

The project involves installing steel poles.

Typical Pole Height: [Approximately 80 feet\\*](#)

Typical Right-of-Way Width: [Approximately 50 feet\\*](#)



\*Exact structure, height, and right-of-way requirements may vary.

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