

Eastern Melita Area Improvements

Indiana Michigan Power (I&M) representatives plan power grid upgrades to improve electric reliability for customers in Fort Wayne.

What

The project involves:

- Building about 5 miles of 69-kilovolt (kV) power line.
- Rebuilding about 3 miles of 69-kV power line.
- Upgrading 6 area substations to 69-kV capable.
- Removing about 5 miles of transmission line.

Why

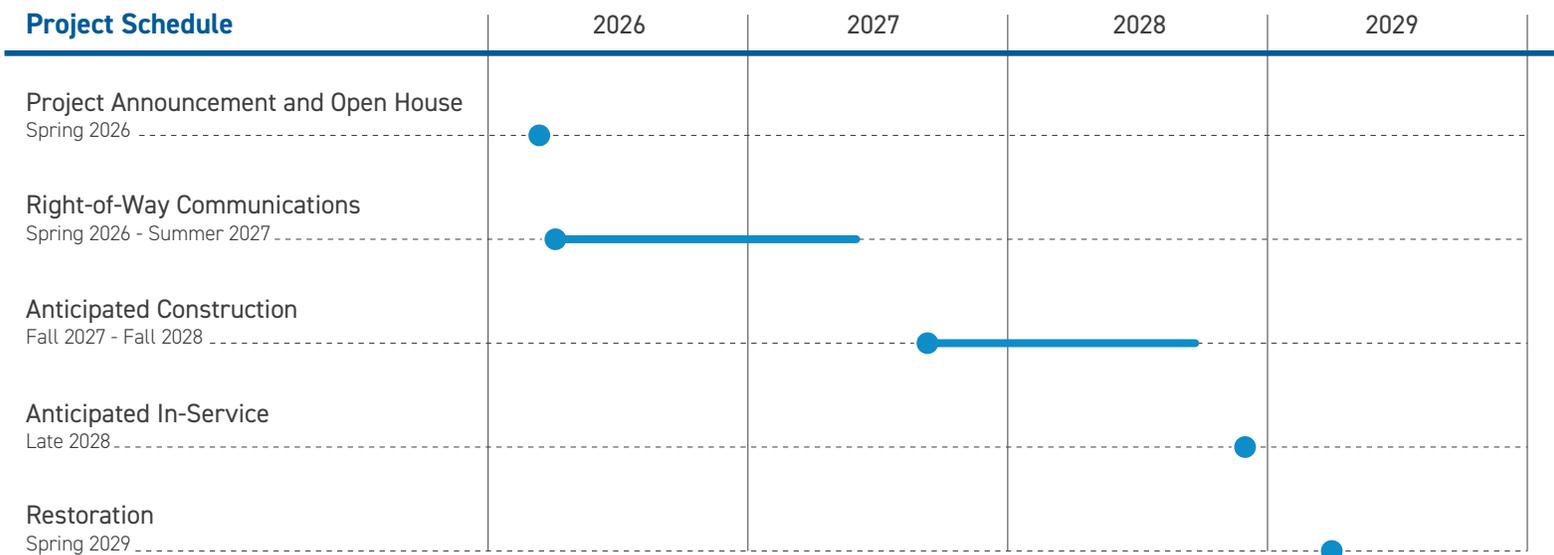
The existing transmission lines in the area consist of deteriorating wooden poles from the 1970s. Upgrading and reconfiguring the electric transmission network to 69-kV standards provides a more reliable flow of electricity, improves operational performance, and reduces the need for frequent equipment repairs.

Where

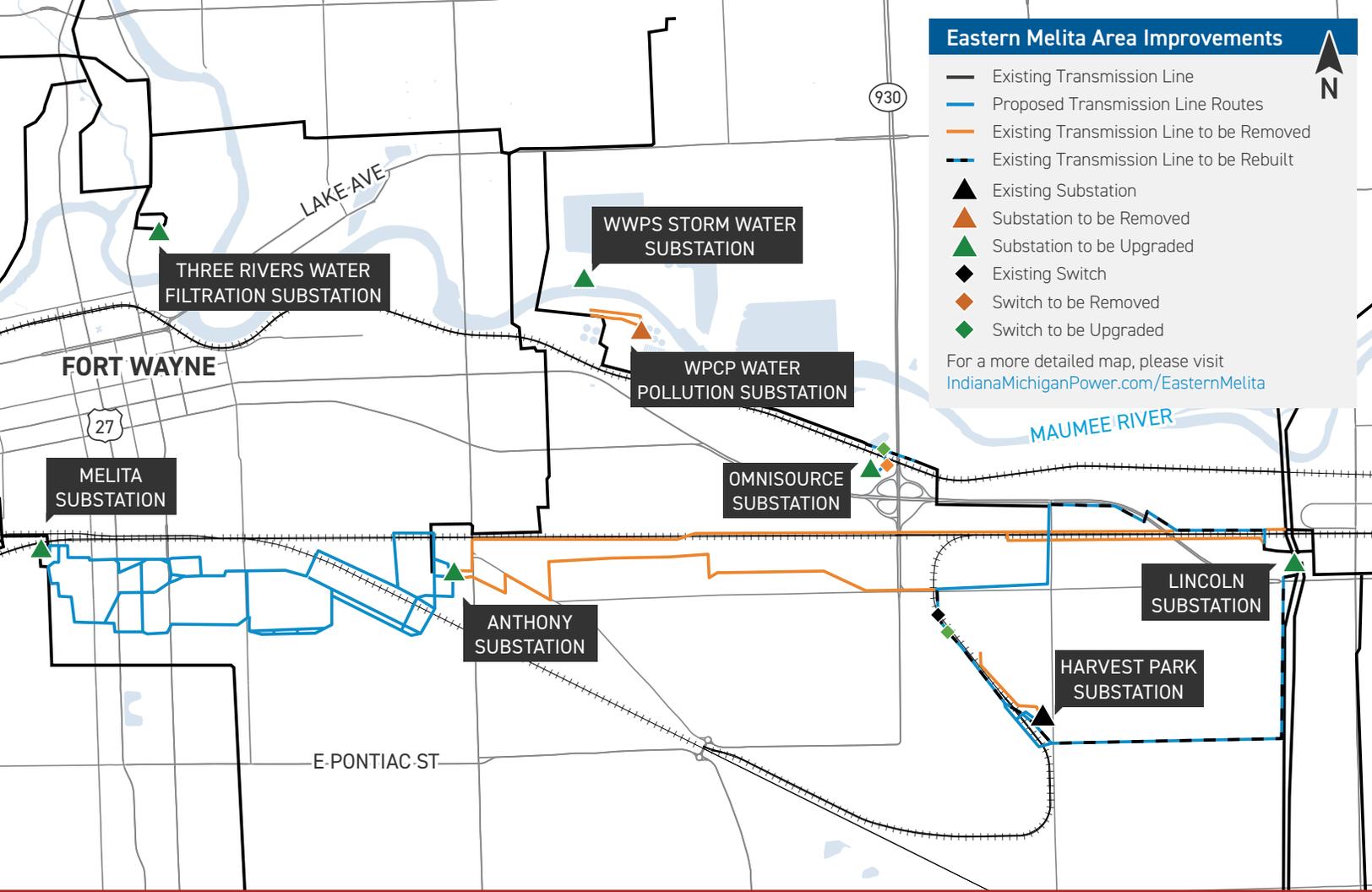
Eastern Fort Wayne, Indiana in Allen County.

No final line route has been determined. Study segments are under evaluation to identify a power line route. Study segments are multiple alternatives presented to determine a line route. Company representatives do not build all study segments. One route will be selected to build based on public feedback and feasibility.

Project Schedule



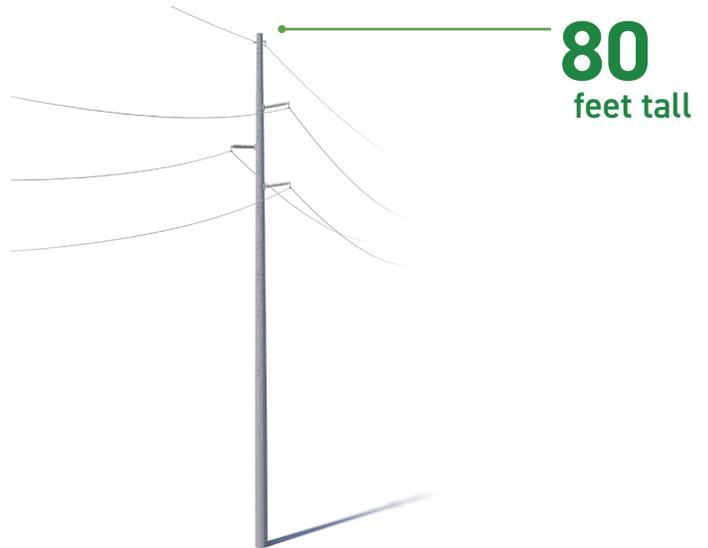
**Timeline subject to change.*



Typical Structures

The project uses single steel monopoles.

Structure Height: 80 Feet
 Right-of-Way Width: 50 - 60 Feet



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



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