**NOTICE OF PROPOSED MAJOR UTILITY FACILITY**

AEP Ohio officials plan to upgrade approximately 30 miles of 345-kilovolt (kV) transmission line in Allen, Putnam and Van Wert counties between the East Lima and Maddox substations. The upgrades include:

- Replacing approximately 30 miles of wire on existing towers
- Replacing three structures with steel poles
- Building an additional steel pole

The upgrades are expected to improve electric reliability for customers. Construction begins early next year and concludes in Winter 2021.

AEP Ohio representatives filed a Letter of Notification with the Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB) as the East Lima - Maddox Creek 345-kV Reconductoring Project, Case No. 19-1781-EL-BLN. The Letter of Notification to construct, operate and maintain this facility awaits review by the OPSB.

The OPSB accepts motions to intervene in the Letter of Notification up to 10 days following the publication date of this notice. The requirements to intervene are listed in Rule 4906-2-12 of the Ohio Administrative Code. Please address motions to Ohio Power Siting Board, 180 E. Broad St., Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793 and cite Case No. 19-1781-EL-BLN.

The accompanying map shows the project area. Please use this map only as a general guide due to its reduced scale and limited detail. Copies of the actual Letter of Notification, including specific details about the location and construction, are available for public inspection at the following locations:

- **Brumbach Public Library**, 215 West Main Street, Van Wert, Ohio 45891
- **Brumbach Library - Convoy Branch**, 116 East Tully Street, Convoy, Ohio 45832
- **Ohio Power Siting Board**, 180 E. Broad St., Columbus, Ohio, 43215-3793, (866) 270-6772, contactopsb@puc.state.oh.us


The following local city and county government officials have been served with a copy of the application as required by OPSB regulations:

- **Van Wert County Board of Commissioner**, Mr. Stan Owens
- **Van Wert County Board of Commissioner**, Mr. Thad Lichtensteiger
- **Van Wert County Soil & Water Conservation District**, Mr. Seth Owens
- **Washington Township Board of Trustee**, Mr. Tom Odemweller
- **Jackson Township Board of Trustee**, Mr. Doug Teman
- **Jackson Township Board of Trustee**, Mr. Steve DuVall
- **Hoaglin Township Board of Trustee**, Mr. Alfred Osting
- **Van Wert County Board of Commissioner**, Mr. Todd Wolfrum
- **Van Wert County Engineer**, Mr. Kyle Wendel, P.E., P.S.
- **Washington Township Board of Trustee**, Mr. Robert Trentman
- **Washington Township Board of Trustee**, Mr. Dean Bowerstock
- **Jackson Township Board of Trustee**, Mr. Scott Dietering
- **Hoaglin Township Board of Trustee**, Mr. Chris Webb
- **Hoaglin Township Board of Trustee**, Kyle Arn

If you are a local city or county government official and would like an electronic or hard copy of the Letter of Notification, please contact Joe Demaree at the information below.

To ask a question or make a comment about the project, please call (380) 205-5046 or email jkdemaree@aep.com. You may send mail inquiries to the following address:

**AEP Ohio**
Attention: Joe Demaree
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New Albany, OH 43054