

# NOTICE OF PROPOSED MAJOR UTILITY FACILITY

AEP Ohio Transmission Company Inc., (AEP Ohio Transco), an affiliate of AEP Ohio, proposes to upgrade a 69-kilovolt (kV) transmission line to 138 kV in Coal and Lick townships and the city of Jackson in Jackson County. The project is known as the Rhodes-Heppner Switch 138 kV Transmission Line Project. This project is part of the overall Jackson-Ross County Area Improvements. This project was announced as the Northeast Jackson 138 kV Transmission Line Project.

The purpose of the project is to improve the electric transmission infrastructure in southern Ohio and allow for economic development. The Northeast Jackson transmission line is about 5 miles long. The transmission line will be rebuilt within existing right-of-way. AEP Ohio Transco may be supplementing existing easements to accommodate for a 100-foot right-of-way corridor. AEP Ohio Transco will upgrade the line by using several structure types including steel single pole and H-frame structures. This project will be an approximate \$7 million investment by AEP Ohio Transco. Construction is scheduled to begin in spring 2018.

AEP Ohio Transco filed a Letter of Notification with the Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB) as the Rhodes-Heppner Switch 138 kV Transmission Line Project, Case No. 17-0807-EL-BLN. This number should be included in all communications related to this project. The Letter of Notification to construct, operate and maintain this facility is pending before the OPSB.

Petitions to intervene in the Letter of Notification will be accepted by the OPSB up to 10 days following the publication date of this notice required by Rule 4906-2-12, Ohio Administrative Code. Petitions should be addressed to Ohio Power Siting Board, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio, 43215-3793 and must cite Case No. 17-0807-EL-BLN.

The accompanying map depicts the project area. It should be noted that due to the reduced scale and limited detail, this map should be used only as a general guide. Copies of the actual Letter of Notification, including specific details about the location and construction are available for public inspection at the following locations:

**JACKSON CITY LIBRARY**, 21 Broadway Street, Jackson, Ohio 45640

**OHIO POWER SITING BOARD**, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio, 43215-3793 • 1-866-270-6772 • [contactopsb@puc.state.oh.us](mailto:contactopsb@puc.state.oh.us)

Electronic versions of the Letter of Notification can be found at [AEPOhio.com/NortheastJackson](http://AEPOhio.com/NortheastJackson) and at the Ohio Power Siting Board website at <http://opsb.ohio.gov>. Search under current cases for case number Case No. 17-0807-EL-BLN.

The following local city and county government officials have been served with a copy of the application as required by state of Ohio Power Siting Board regulations:

- **JACKSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**, Mr. Jerry Hall
- **JACKSON COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**, Program Administrator
- **LICK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES**, Mr. Steve Willis
- **COUNCILMAN ERIC BROWN**, City of Jackson
- **JACKSON COUNTY ENGINEER**, Ms. Melissa Miller
- **COAL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES**, Mr. Bob Davis
- **MAYOR RANDY HEATH**, City of Jackson

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 Erin Miller at the information listed below. To ask a question or make a comment about the project, please call 614-552-1929 or 1-877-215-9261 or send an email inquiry to [ecmiller1@aep.com](mailto:ecmiller1@aep.com). Mail inquiries may be sent to the following address:

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Attention: Erin Miller  
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