WELCOME

Open House EIS Scoping



How to Participate

BPA is here to:

- Share our proposal
- Answer your questions
- Collect your ideas and comments
- Develop the scope of the EIS

You can:

- Speak with BPA staff
- Ask for more information
- Provide your ideas and comments
- Sign up for the mailing list



Project Need

- Help ease transmission system congestion in NW Oregon and SW Washington
- Allow BPA to fulfill existing and new transmission service requests for existing and new generation
- Improve system reliability
- Meet continued electric load growth



Project Description

- BPA is proposing a new 500kilovolt transmission line from a new substation near Castle Rock, WA to a new substation near Troutdale, OR.
- BPA is proposing route segments that will be refined into transmission line alternatives.
- BPA also is considering a no action alternative.



Considerations for Locating New Projects

- Electrical feasibility
- Existing corridors
- Existing roads
- Houses and other structure
- Existing land uses
- Terrain
- Visual impacts
- Sensitive habitats
- Potential Erosion
- Costs



Environmental Considerations

- Land Use
- Cultural Resources
- Aesthetics
- Sensitive Plants and Animals
- Fish and Water Resources
- Erosion and Soils
- Socioeconomics and Public Services
- Electric and Magnetic Fields
- Other Issues



EIS Schedule

Scoping Comment Period Ends

Nov. 23, 2009

Field work, route refinement, environmental analysis, and prepare draft EIS

2010

Release Draft EIS (Public meetings will be held)

Spring 2011

Release Final EIS

Spring 2012

Issue Record of Decision

Spring 2012



Land & Property Information

- Find out if the project could affect your property
- Speak with BPA about a Permission to Enter Property (PEP) form
- Turn in a signed PEP form



How to Comment

Online: www.bpa.gov/go/i5

Write:

BPA I-5 Corridor Reinforcement

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Call: 800-230-6593

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All comments received by Nov. 23, 2009

will be posted online at

www.bpa.gov/go/i5.

