

SWTC Scott County-Westgate 69 kV-115 kV Transmission Upgrade

Public Information and EA Scoping Meeting

Minnetonka High School - July 18, 2012



Welcome

- **Project**
 - The applicant's proposed project
- **Process**
 - How the state reviews the project
- **Public Participation**
 - Your voice in the review process




Project



Applicant Contact

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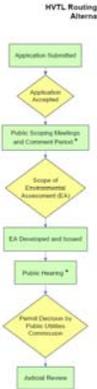
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Process

Minnesota Rules 7850



Timeline
Time from application acceptance to permit decision is 6 months.
* Public Participation Opportunities



Milestones

Route App Accepted	Actual 05/24/2012
CN App Accepted	06/08/2012
Public Meeting	07/18/2012
Comment Period End	08/01/2012
EA Scoping Decision	Anticipated Aug 2012
EA Issued	Oct 2012
Public Hearing	Nov 2012
Commission Decision	Jan 2013





Public Participation



Public Comment Opportunities

- **EA Scoping Meeting**
- **Public Hearing in Area**
- **Commission Hearing in St. Paul (limited public comment)**



EA Scoping Comments

MR 7849.1400, subp. 6

“A person desiring that a particular alternative to the proposed project or a possible adverse impact of the project be considered in the environmental report shall identify the alternative or impact to be included, provide an explanation of why the alternative or impact should be included in the environmental report, and submit all supporting information the person wants the commissioner to consider.”



EA Scoping Comments

MR 7850.3700, subp. 2(B)

“During the scoping process, any person may suggest an alternative site or route to evaluate in the environmental assessment. A person desiring that a particular site or route be evaluated shall submit to the commissioner, during the scoping process, an explanation of why the site or route should be included in the environmental assessment and all supporting information the person wants the commissioner to consider.”



EA Scoping Comments Deadline

Comments accepted through:

Wednesday, August 1, 2012



Project Notice List

Sign up to get Project notices at:

mn.gov/commerce/energyfacilities/Docket.html?Id=32547

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Comments and Questions

- One speaker at a time
- Five (5) minutes per speaker (opportunity for more at the end if time allows)
- State & spell name for court reporter
- Please maintain respect for others
- Focus comments on EA scoping issues and alternatives

