PUC Docket Number
E-015/TL-14-21

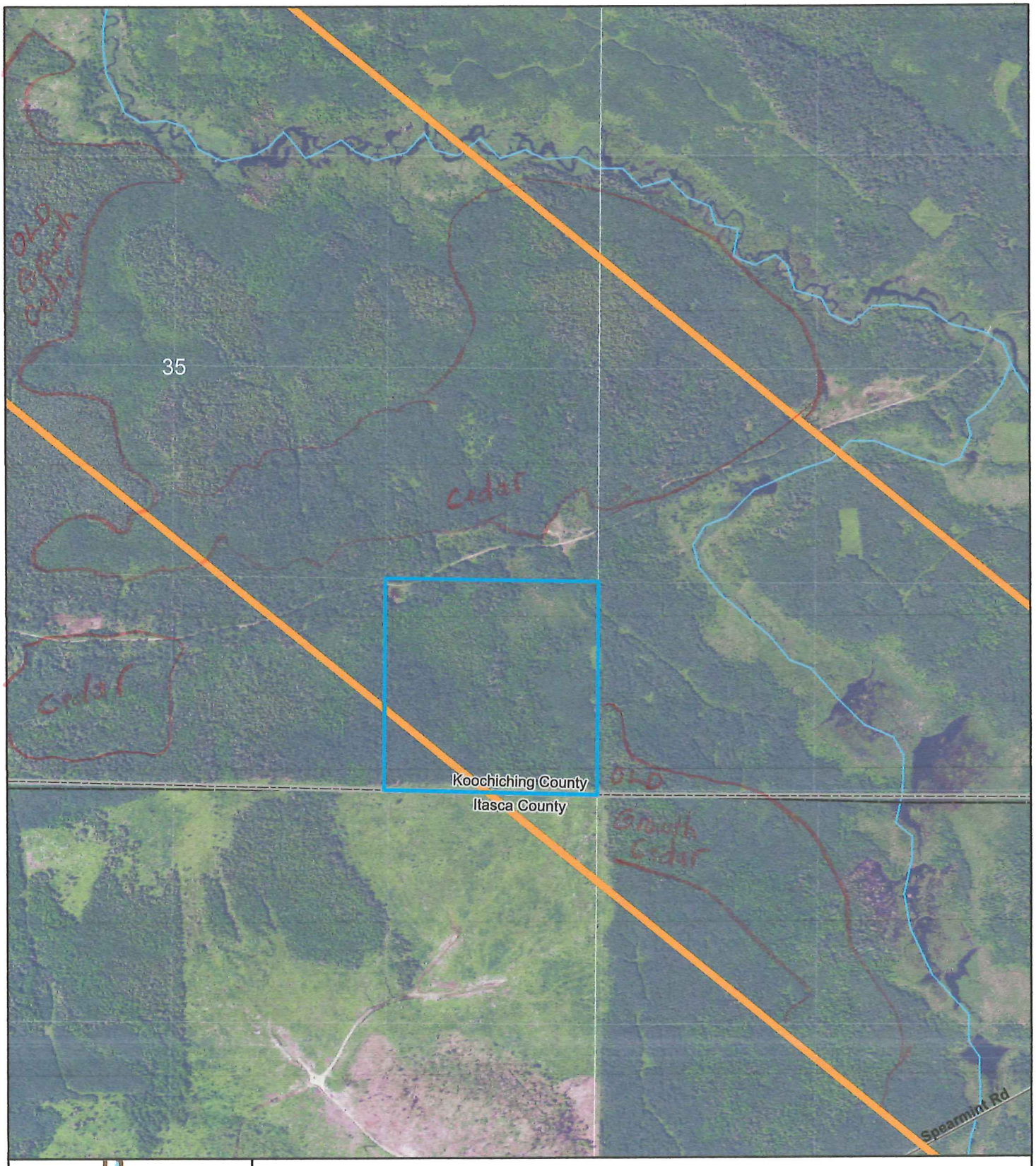
Great Northern Transmission Line
GIS Map Comment Form

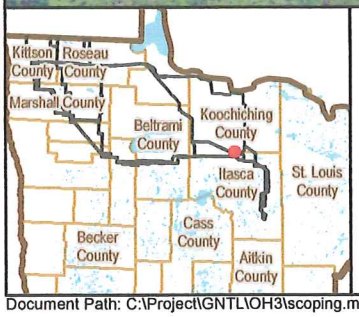
Name: Kevin Peterson
Address: 3075 Town Rd 225

City: Int'l Falls
County: Koochiching
State: MN
Phone Number: 218-540-1982 Zip: 56649
Email: Kevin.peterson

Comment: I've attempted to identify several old-growth cedar stands that I know of in the vicinity of my property (outlined on this map in blue). These cedar stands provided valuable food and thermal cover for deer in this area. The largest concentration of deer were located in the large stand of cedar adjacent to Highway #6. A powerline and right-of-way anywhere within the proposed corridor will fracture and reduce the availability of this important habitat type for deer. As you can see from the photographs, much of this habitat has already been lost due to logging practices in recent years (large clear-cuts), impacting all the creatures that live in the northern forest (deer, moose, timber wolves, fisher, pine marten, etc.).

I do not have site-specific knowledge to recommend an alternative route, but moving the proposed route NE or SW would avoid these beautiful stands of old-growth cedar and the associated impacts to local flora and fauna.





ROUTE

- Blue Route
- Orange Route
- Route Option

0 0.0475 0.095 0.19 0.285 0.38 Miles

GNTL Scoping Meetings
7/16/2014

minnesota power
AN ALLETE COMPANY

GREAT NORTHERN TRANSMISSION LINE

Document Path: C:\Project\GNTL\OH3\scoping.mxd