

# Me come Kearney Power Project Open House Meeting

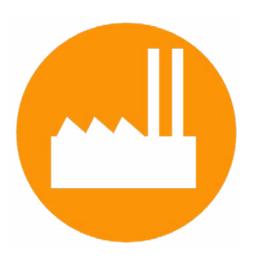
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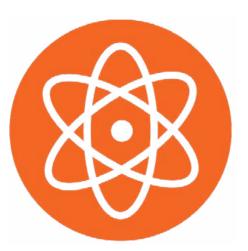
# Who We Are

Nebraska Public Power District is the state's largest electric generating utility and has been providing dependable and affordable electricity for more than half a century. NPPD currently serves all or parts of 84 of the state's 93 counties.

- carbon-free







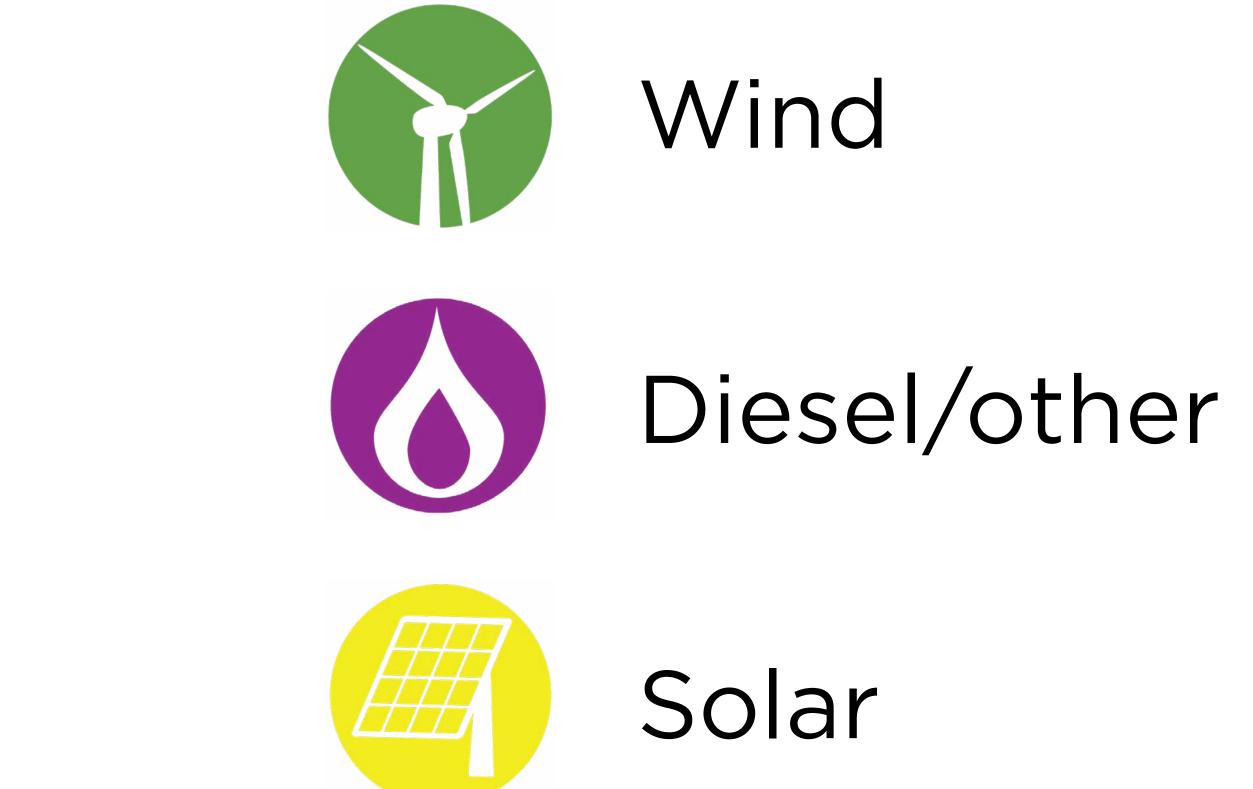
Nuclear



Hydroelectric

 Governed by an elected 11-member Board of Directors Serves both retail and wholesale customers Over 62% of Nebraska customer-generation resources are

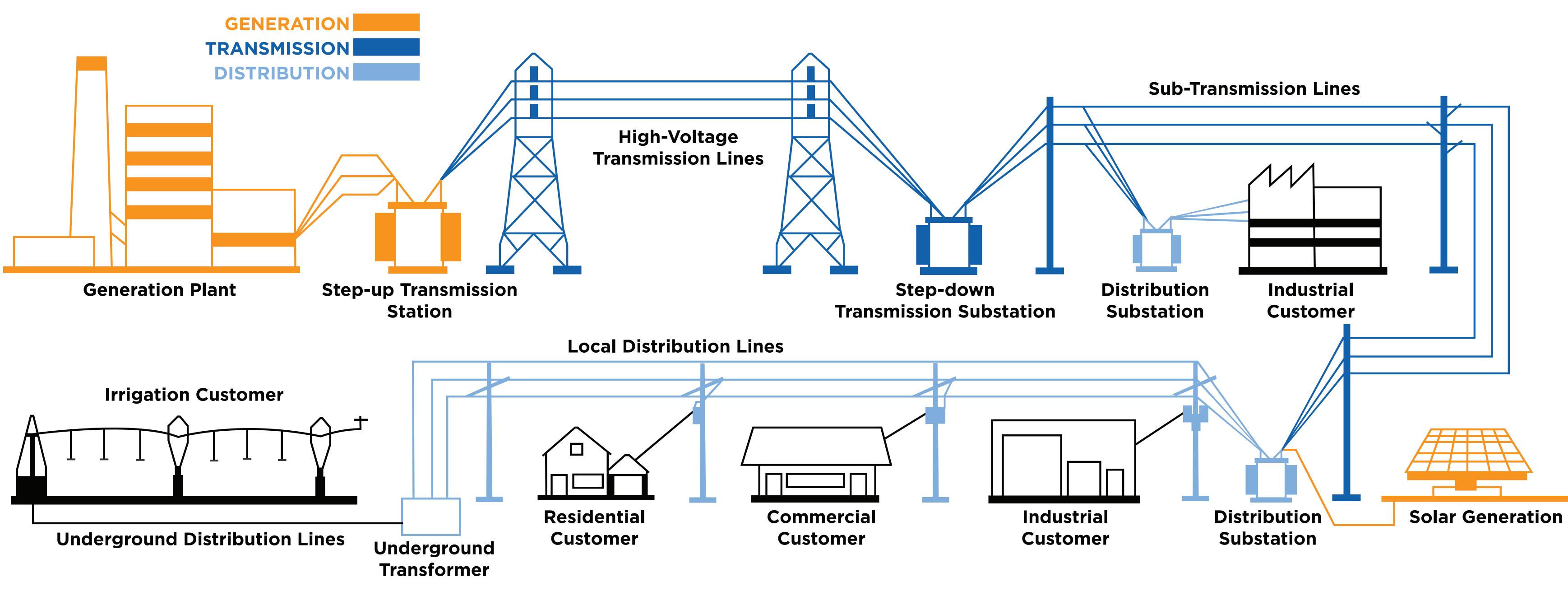
Utilizes a diverse mix of generation resources including:







### The Path of Electricity

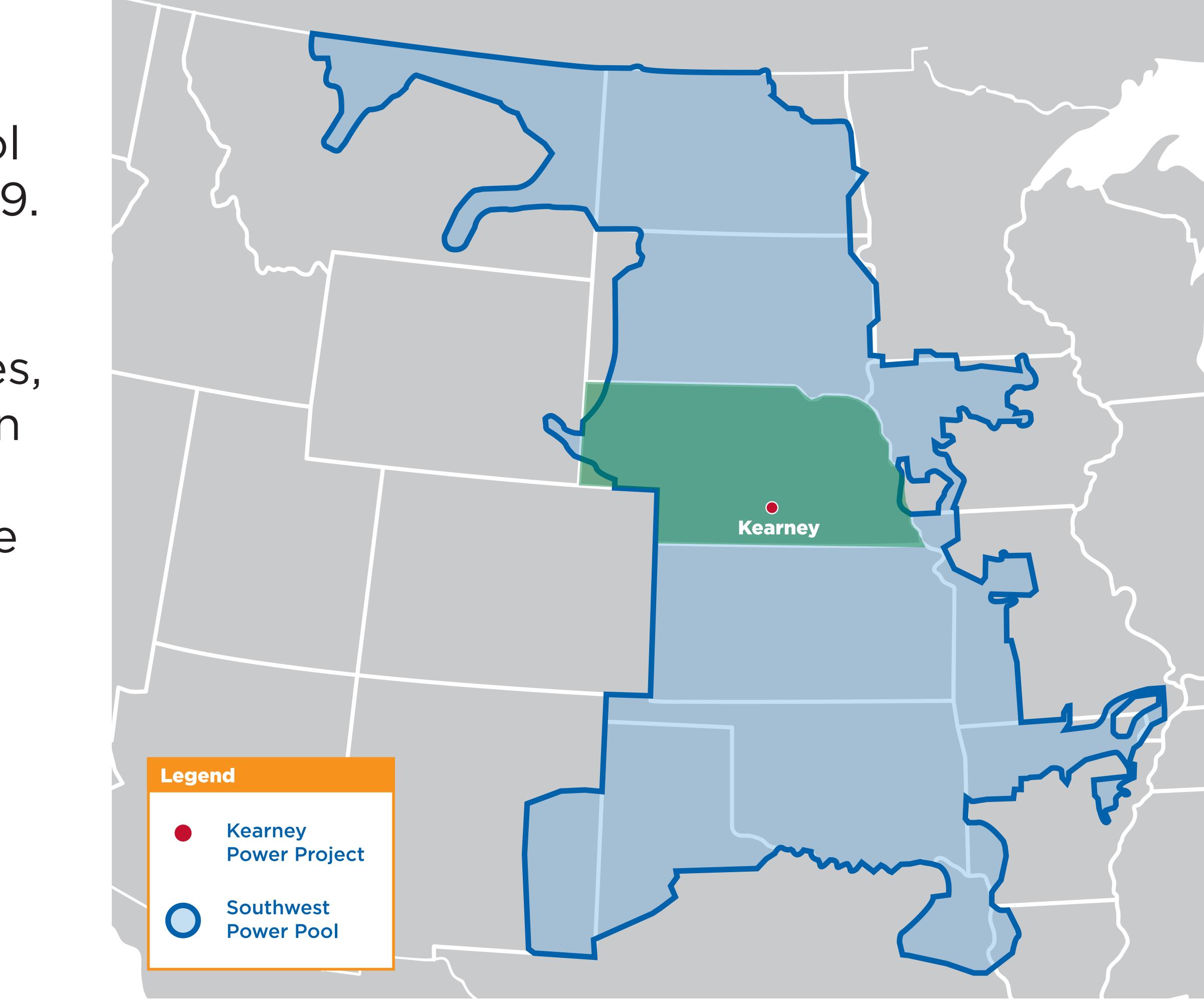


### From the power plant, electric energy is delivered through a series of lines and substations where the voltage is reduced to the proper level for end-use customers.



# Southwest Power Pool

NPPD has been a member of the Southwest Power Pool (SPP) since April 2009. The SPP's primary focus is to ensure reliable power supplies, adequate transmission infrastructure, and competitive wholesale electricity prices. This project will help to strengthen the SPP electric system in locations where load use and projected growth is reaching critical levels.







# Project Description

#### With the Kearney Power Project, NPPD plans to build an approximately six to nine-mile, 115 kV transmission line to provide a necessary path between two substations serving the city and surrounding area.



The new line will increase the system's transmission capacity to meet increasing demand and further enhance reliability and resiliency in the Kearney area.







### Purpose & Need

The City of Kearney is rapidly growing, and the current transmission system is facing high electrical demand on its existing 115 kV transmission system. In exploring several different options, NPPD and SPP determined a 115 kV transmission line from the Kearney TechOne

### substation on the east side of Kearney to the Tower substation on the west side of Kearney will accommodate current and projected future loads. The new line will provide additional reliability and enhanced resiliency for the Kearney area.









# Routing, Siting, and Public Involvement

# course of three phases:

### Phase 1

Identify preliminary route segments Host Public Open House #1

Routes for a transmission project are typically developed over the course of several phases and are then narrowed down to a final route. For this project, we will determine the route over the

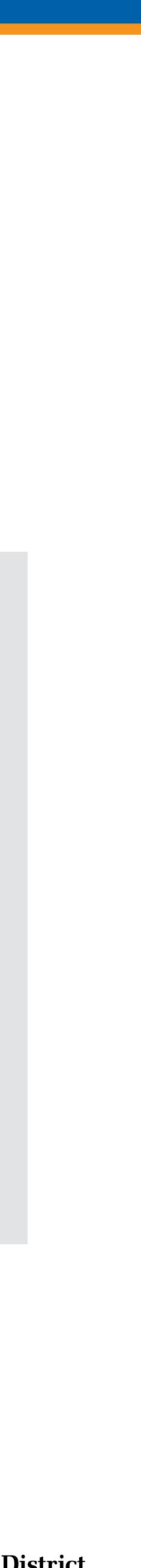
### Phase 2:

Determine preferred and alternate routes using input from landowners and considering constraints Host Public Open House #2

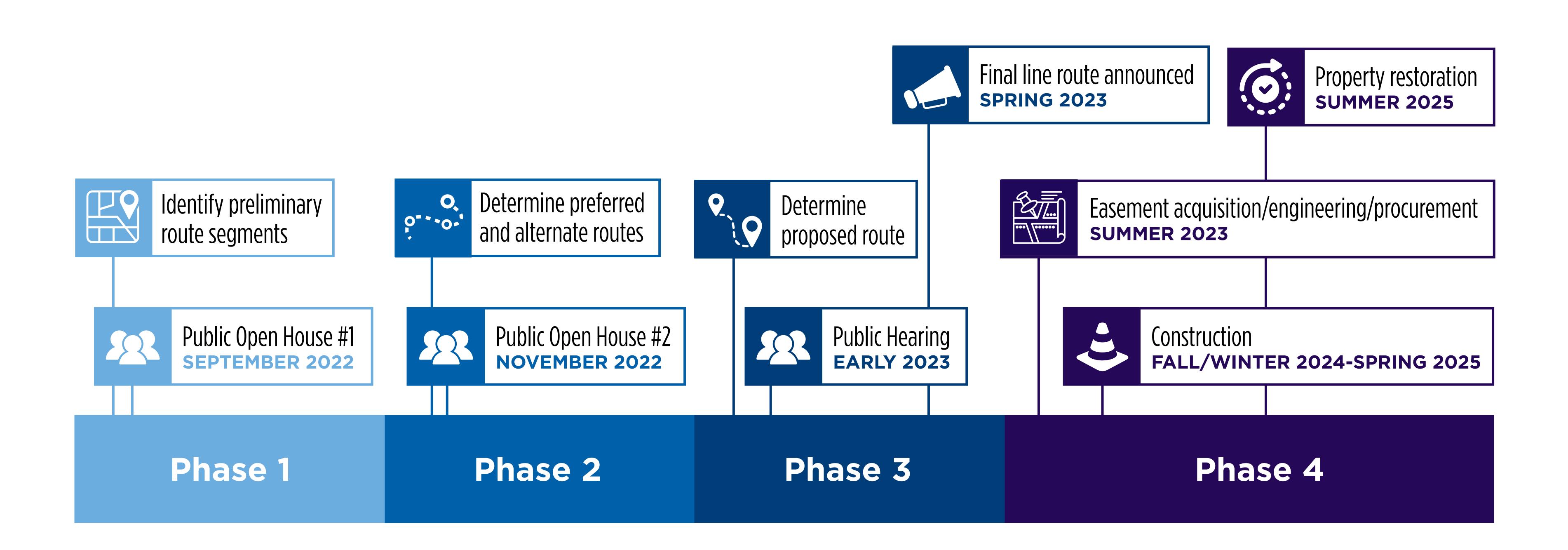
### Phase 3:

- Determine proposed route
- Host Public Hearing
- Announce final line route no earlier than 30 days after the Public Hearing





# Project Schedule

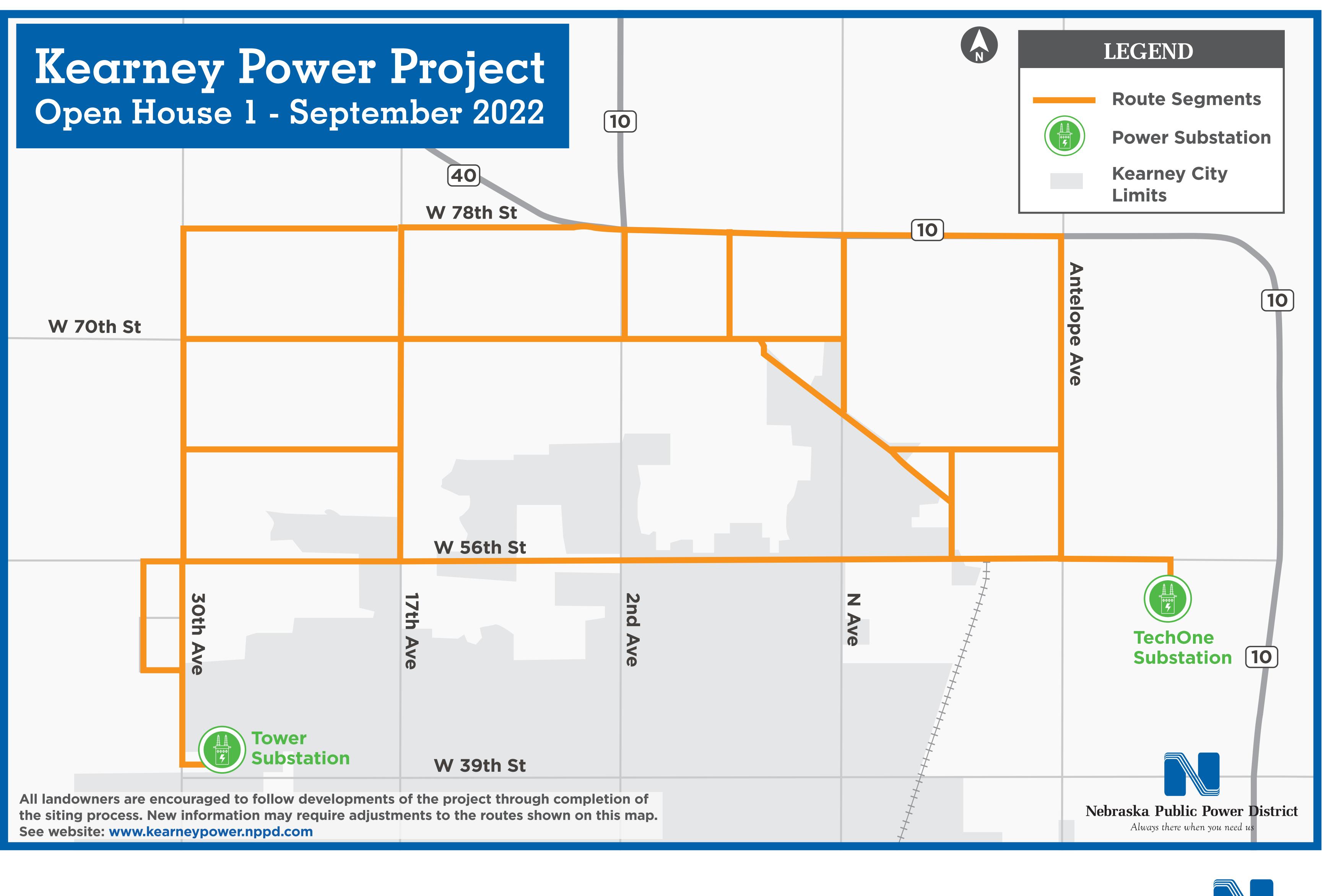








# Project Area Map

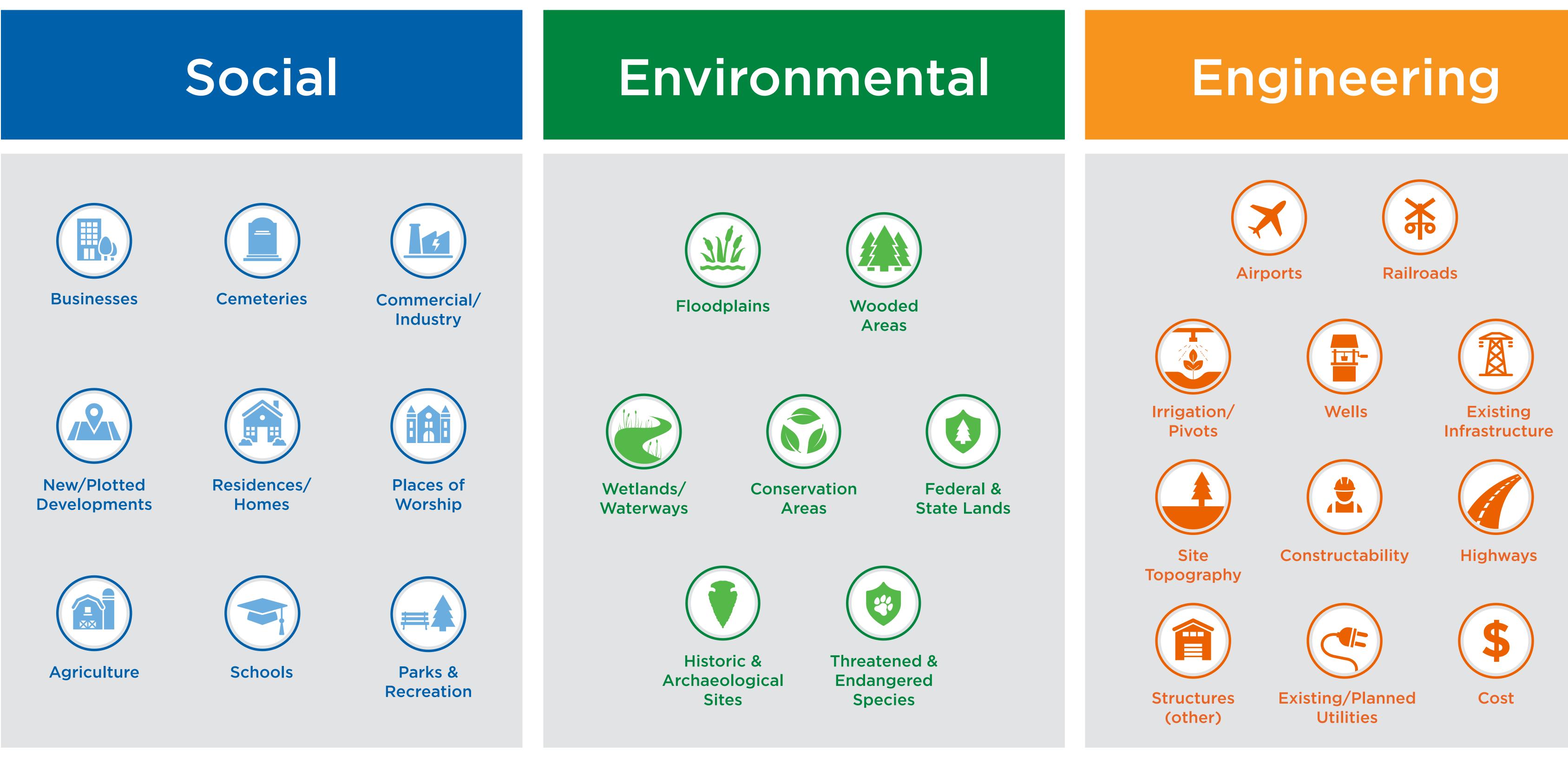




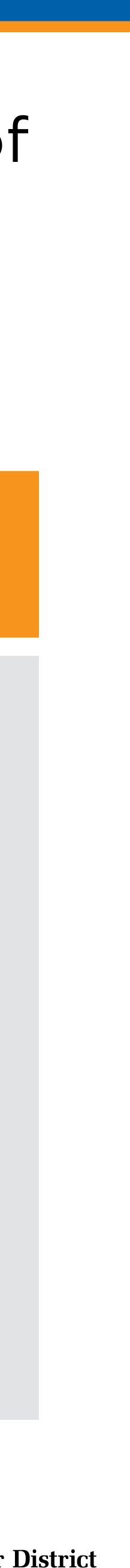


# Routing & Siting Evaluation Criteria

### Transmission line routing involves trade-offs between a variety of factors called routing criteria. The most promising route options balance each of the three types of criteria, which are social, environmental, and engineering.







### **Environmental Resources**

#### **Environmental resources are evaluated as part of the route selection** process and may include:

- Agricultural lands
- Sensitive, threatened and endangered species Recreational areas Cultural and historical resources • Water resources (lakes, streams, Visual resources wetlands, and floodplains)
- Wildlife habitat areas

#### NPPD coordinates with federal, state, and local agencies and organizations such as:

- Federal Aviation Administration U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- Nebraska Game and Parks Commission
- Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy

Nebraska Department of Transportation Natural Resource Districts History Nebraska Local Airport Authorities Private Non-Government Organizations



### Criteria Prioritization Exercise

Instructions: You have a total of three dot stickers. Please place them in the box(es) next to the criteria you believe should be prioritized as we determine the route for this transmission line.

Businesses
Cemeteries
<b>Commercial/Industry</b>
New/Plotted Developments
Residences/Homes
Places of Worship
Agriculture
Schools
Parks & Recreation
Floodplains
Wooded Areas
Wetlands/Waterways
<b>Conservation Areas</b>
Federal & State Lands

**Historic & Archaeological Sites** 

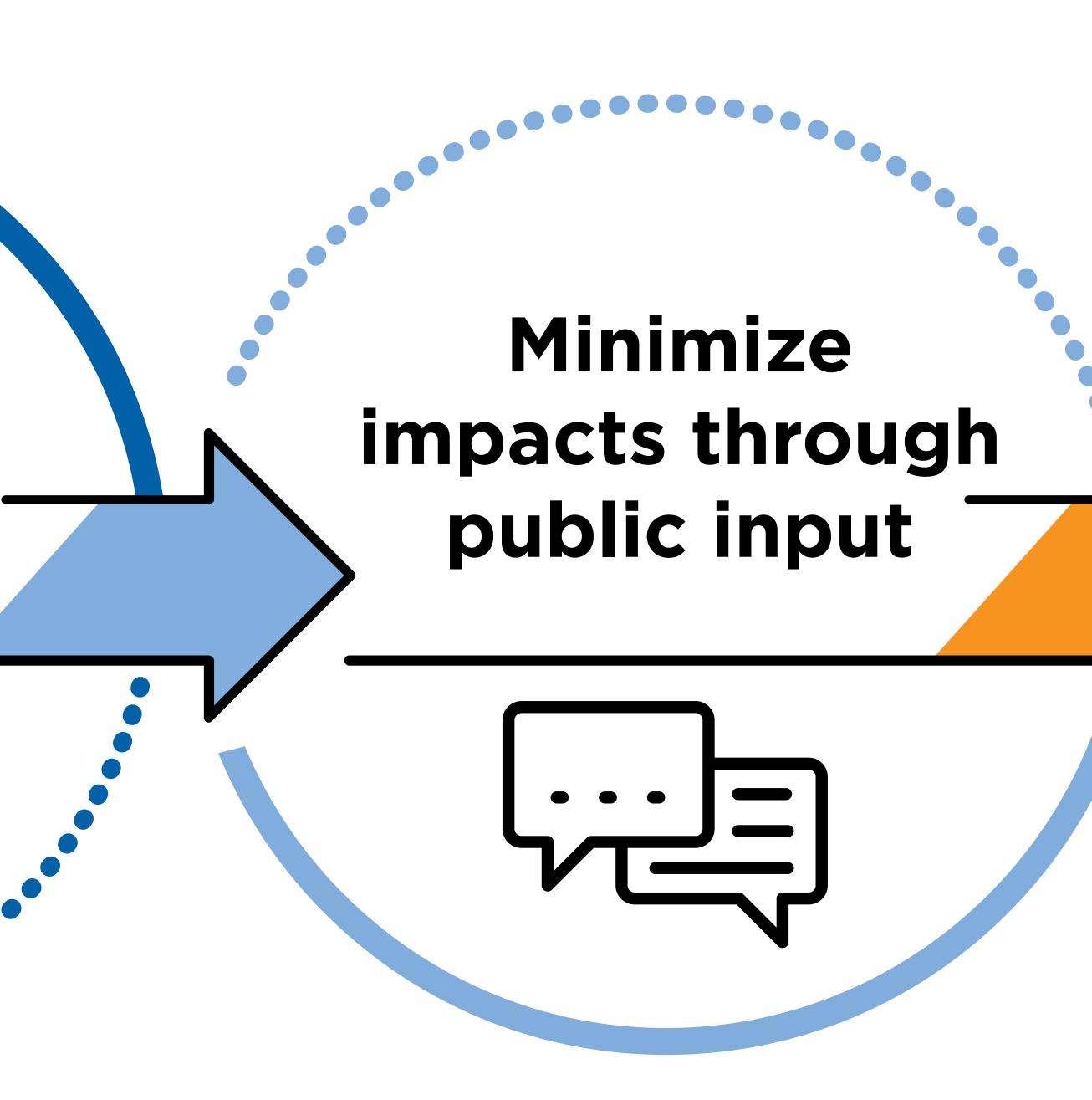
Threatened & Endangered Species
Airports
Railroads
Irrigation/Pivots
Wells
Existing Infrastructure
Site Topography
Constructability
Highways
Structures (other)
Existing/Planned Utilities



### Building Relationships

#### Build positive long-term relationships

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#### Work together to build partnerships





# Right-of-Way Activities

### We strive to build positive, long-term relationships with landowners and tenants during right-of-way activities. **Right-of-Entry Agreement - if needed, will provide** access for:

- Environmental assessments
- Appraisal work
- Survey activities

### **Easement Acquisition:**

- Compensation
- Terms and conditions
- Right-of-way width

### **Post Construction:**

- Property restoration

Cultural and historical resource assessments

Construction damage compensation





### 80% of the fee value of the easement area in addition to structure payment

#### $\mathbf{D}$ per single pole (steel or wood)

### **Construction Damages** In addition to the easement payment, the property owner or tenant will be compensated for any damages to crops, fences or other property that may occur during construction or when maintenance is required in the future.

### **Easement Compensation**

Structure Payment

### $\mathbf{D}$ per anchor

Payment for any special consideration, such as shelterbelts, fences, gates, etc., will be determined on a case-by-case basis.



#### **JZJU** per H-Frame (steel or wood)



There are three typical types of structures that would be used on this project:

- 115 kV single-pole wood structure
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- 115 kV two-pole or H-frame wood structure (not pictured)

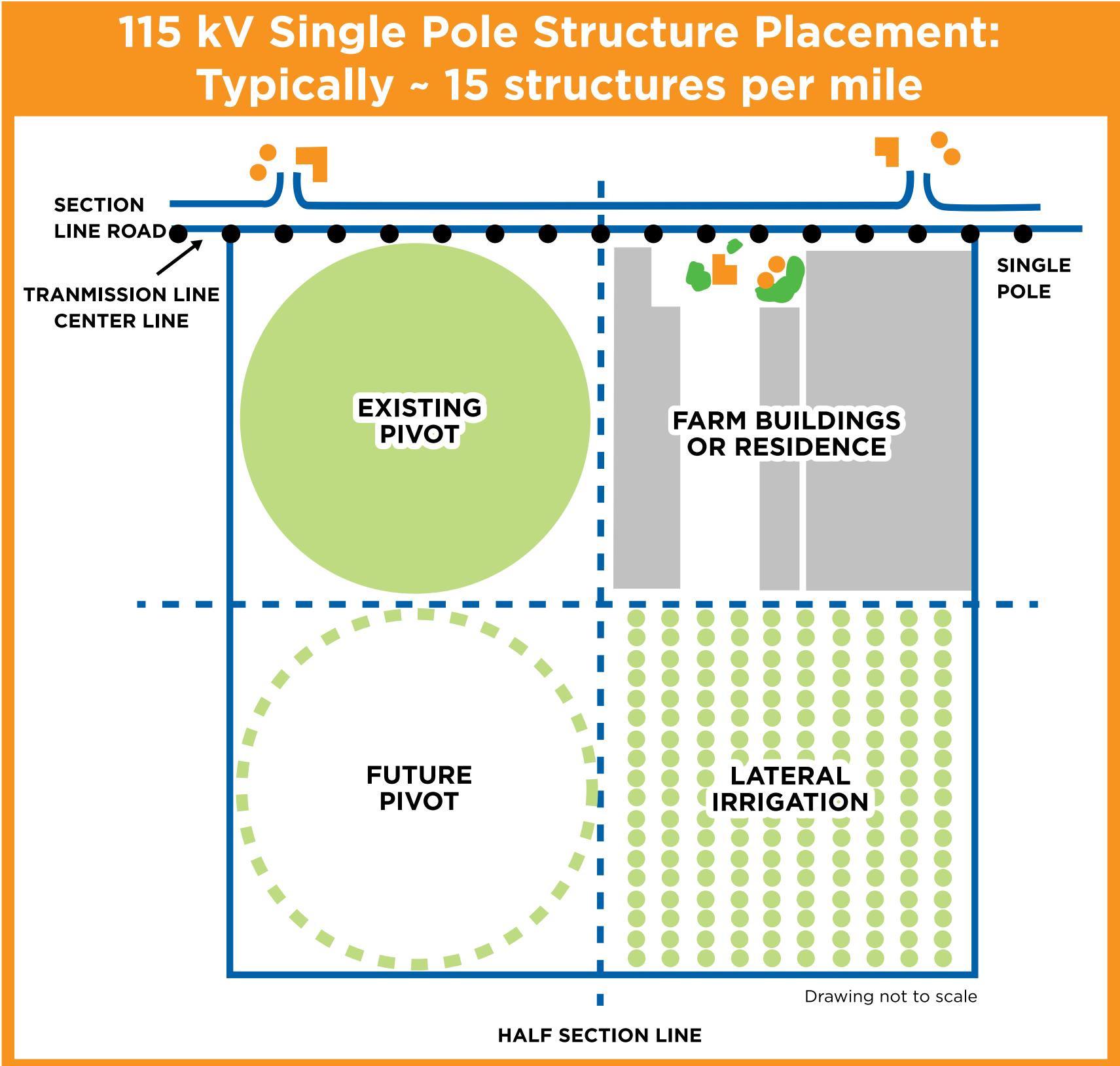


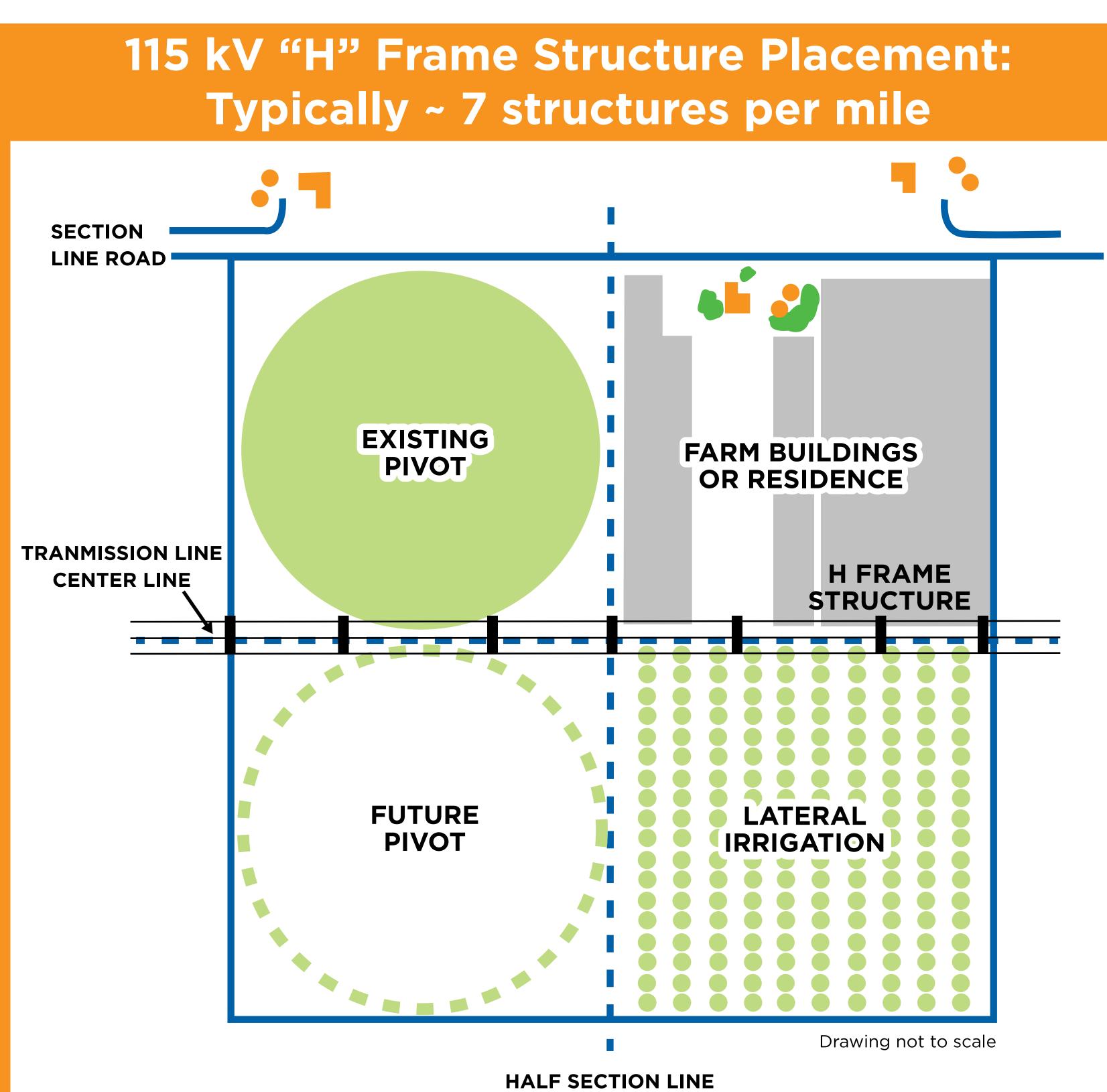
## **Transmission Line Structures**





### **Typical Structure Locations**









# Input Needed!

### Help us identify constraints and opportunities regarding:

- Residences
- Grain bins and outbuildings
- Platted subdivisions
- Well locations
- Terraces and drain tiles
- Underground facilities Future land-use

- Communication towers
- Cultural and historical resources
- Environmental areas



Planned (permitted) housing units

Gravity flow irrigation and flow direction

Planned pivots and water permits

• Cemeteries, churches, and schools

Commercial and industrial development

What should we know about your property?





# Stay Involved

### Thank you for attending! You can stay involved with the Kearney Power Project by following project news in NPPD newsletters, newspapers, radio, and on social media, or by visiting our website at kearneypower.nppd.com.





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