NORTHERN COLORADO AREA PLAN AULT TO CLOVERLY TRANSMISSION PROJECT

SUMMER 2023 UPDATE



The Northern Colorado Area Plan is part of Xcel Energy's comprehensive, long-range plan and commitment to provide safe, reliable and increasingly clean electricity for all customers.

This project will modernize the electric system by replacing approximately 20 miles of existing 44 kilovolt (kV) transmission infrastructure with new, higher-voltage (115 kV and 230 kV) transmission lines between the Western Area Power Administration (WAPA) Ault Substation and Xcel Energy's existing Cloverly Substation. The project also includes two new electrical substations and improvements to two existing substations. The planned improvements will reliably serve existing and future customers and meet growing and changing energy needs.

The new lines and substations will be built concurrently from spring 2023 through 2024. No disruptions in electric service are anticipated during construction. Current construction details and schedule can be found on the project website: XcelEnergyNorthernColoradoAreaPlan.com.

Project Overview

- Modernize the electric system from WAPA Ault Substation to Cloverly Substation
- Build two new electrical substations Husky and Collins Street
- Make improvements to two existing substations WAPA Ault and Cloverly
- Replace approximately 20 miles of existing 44 kV transmission lines with new 115 kV and 230 kV
- Install steel monopoles with concrete foundations
- · Install fiber optic ground wire for length of project
- Create work zones with safety barriers for construction crews and the public

Project Construction Schedule*

Husky, Collins Street and Cloverly Substations: Spring 2023 – Summer 2024

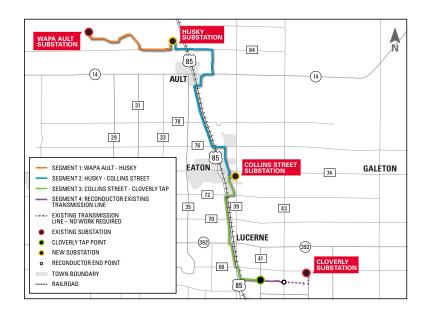
Segment 1: WAPA Ault – Husky: Summer 2023 – Fall 2024

Segment 2: Husky – Collins Street: Summer 2023 – Winter 2024

Segment 3: Collins Street – Cloverly Tap: Summer 2023 – Spring 2024

Segment 4: Reconductor Existing Transmission Line: Fall 2023 – Spring 2024

*Construction schedule subject to change. WAPA Ault Substation is owned and operated by Western Area Power Administration and outside of Xcel Energy's construction schedule.



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