

Acushnet to Fall River Reliability Project

WHAT?

The Acushnet to Fall River Reliability Project is a proposed 115 kilovolt (kV) transmission line to be constructed in approximately 12.1 miles of an existing right-of-way (ROW) power line corridor. In May 2016, the Independent System Operator-New England (ISO-NE) selected this project as one of the preferred solutions to address the area's reliability needs.

WHO?

National Grid and Eversource Energy will join forces in this proposed project to enhance the reliability of the regional transmission grid.

WHERE?

The proposed project will be constructed in an existing ROW, with approximately 7.9 miles located in Acushnet, Dartmouth and New Bedford, MA (Eversource Energy) and approximately 4.2 miles in Fall River, MA (National Grid). The new transmission line is proposed to be built on the south side of the power line corridor alongside an existing 115 kV transmission line.

WHY?

The transmission grid serves as the backbone of the electric system and is vital to our region's safety, security, and economic prosperity. ISO-NE determined that additional transmission infrastructure is needed in this area to maintain system reliability.

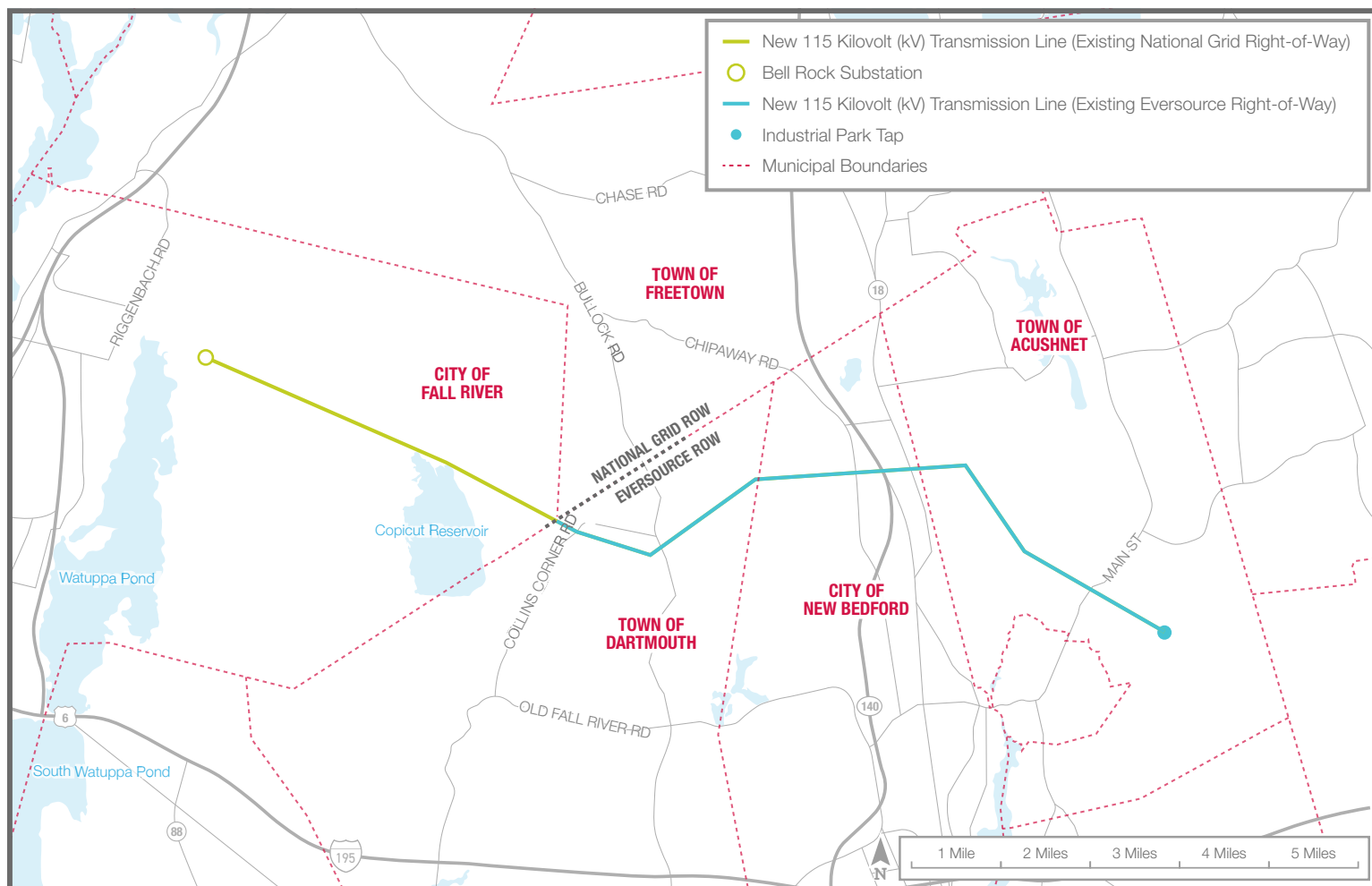
WHEN?

Construction is currently expected to begin in the fourth quarter of 2026, and the project is expected to be in service by late 2027.

In April 2026, the Massachusetts Energy Facilities Siting Board issued its Final Decision and Order approving the project. National Grid and Eversource are continuing to work with federal, state, and local agencies to help ensure the project is built and operated in compliance with all applicable standards.

In 2025, National Grid held two open houses at the Fall River Public Library, giving Fall River residents the opportunity to ask questions and learn more about the project. An additional open house will be held later in 2026 before construction begins.

MAP OF PROPOSED PROJECT



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