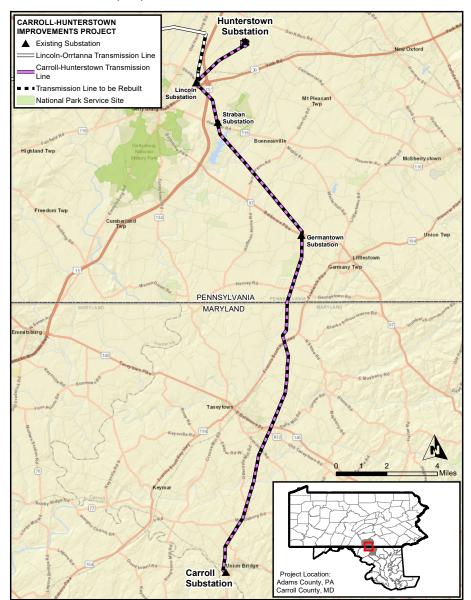


Carroll-Hunterstown Improvements Project

Adams County, Pennsylvania, and Carroll County, Maryland

Overview

FirstEnergy subsidiaries Mid-Atlantic Interstate Transmission (MAIT) and Potomac Edison have been awarded a project by regional transmission organization PJM Interconnection to upgrade a 24-mile transmission line between the Hunterstown Substation in Adams County, Pennsylvania, and the Carroll Substation in Carroll County, Maryland. The companies will utilize existing transmission rights of way for the work, minimizing environmental and community impacts.



MAIT and Potomac Edison will rebuild the line and add a new set of 230-kilovolt (kV) wires, known as a circuit, to the existing 115-kV and 138-kV circuits currently in the corridor. New steel structures that can accommodate the circuits will be installed. The line spans 13 miles in the Met-Ed service area in Adams County and 11 miles in Potomac Edison's service area in Carroll County.

Potomac Edison will expand the Carroll Substation for upgrades related to the rebuilt line. The project will also require MAIT to rebuild two miles of a 115-kV transmission line in Adams County, north of the Lincoln Substation in Straban Township. This work will also utilize an existing transmission right of way, and there will be no change in voltage.

Benefits

The project will enhance transmission system reliability, accommodate growing demand for electricity by residential and commercial customers, and facilitate the connection of renewable energy sources. It is one of multiple projects that was awarded by PJM, the grid operator for 13 states including Maryland and Pennsylvania, after PJM solicited proposals to address the growing demand for electricity in its territory.

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The project will enhance the flow of electricity across the system for all customers and help address the impact of recent power plant retirements in PJM's service territory, including in Maryland and Pennsylvania.

For more information about PJM and the transmission system, please visit learn.pjm.com.

Approvals

MAIT and Potomac Edison plan to file applications with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PAPUC) and the Maryland Public Service Commission (MD PSC) in the spring of 2025 seeking approval for the project. The companies will obtain all required permits and authorizations from federal, state and local agencies prior to construction.

Preconstruction Activities

The companies are currently conducting preconstruction activities along the transmission right of way. To ensure compliance with environmental regulations and complete necessary surveys, our personnel may be seen driving or walking the property, taking measurements, placing boundary flags and occasionally obtaining soil and/or vegetation samples. Some larger geotechnical boring equipment may be used to obtain geological data for engineering design. Company representatives will work to keep nearby landowners updated on the project.

Easements

MAIT and Potomac Edison intend to conduct the transmission work in accordance with the easements already in place and are not proposing alternative routes outside of the right of way. The companies will contact landowners directly to discuss the need for any additional easements required for the project or temporary rights necessary to facilitate construction, such as access routes, tree clearing and laydown yards.

Permitting

Detailed wetland, stream and other environmental and historical evaluations have been conducted along the existing transmission line corridor in coordination with appropriate governmental agencies. MAIT and Potomac Edison will obtain all permits required by local, state and federal agencies prior to construction.

Preliminary Project Timeline –

Q4 2024	Public information meetings
Q1-Q2 2025	PAPUC and MD PSC applications
2027	Construction start
2028	Project complete and in service

Contact

Please reach out to our dedicated hotline at 888-311-4737 with questions or email us at transmissionprojects@firstenergycorp.com.

About Energize365

Energize365 is a multi-year grid evolution program focused on transmission and distribution investments that will deliver the power FirstEnergy's customers depend on today while also meeting the challenges of tomorrow. With planned investments of \$26 billion between 2024 and 2028, the program will create a smarter, more secure grid that will meet and exceed reliability targets and accommodate electric vehicles, the electrification of homes and businesses, and clean energy sources.

About Us

MAIT and Potomac Edison, subsidiaries of FirstEnergy, have decades of experience in constructing, operating and maintaining transmission facilities that enhance the reliability of the transmission system. MAIT owns and operates approximately 4,300 miles of transmission lines in Pennsylvania, and Potomac Edison owns and operates 1,200 miles of transmission lines in Maryland, Virginia and West Virginia. For additional information about our transmission projects, please visit firstenergycorp.com/transmission.



