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By Hand

Hon. Bernard J. Logan, Clerk State Corporation Commission Document Control Center Tyler Building - First Floor 1300 East Main Street Richmond, Virginia 23219-4074

Re: Application of Central Virginia Electric Cooperative For Approval and Certification of Electric Facilities Gladstone to Tower Hill 138kV Transmission Line Rebuid Project

Case No. PUR-2021-00016

Dear Mr. Logan

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned proceeding please find an unbound original and fifteen (15) bound copies of the application for approval of electric facilities on behalf of Central Virginia Electric Cooperative (the "Cooperative"). This filing contains the Application, Direct Testimony, Appendix, and DEQ Supplement, including attachments.

As indicated in Section II.A.12.b of the Appendix, three (3) color copies of the map of the Virginia Department of Transportation "General Highway Map" for Appomattox County and Nelson County were hand delivered to the Commission's Division of Energy Regulation today. The Cooperative also will provide the Division of Energy Regulation electronic access to the digital geographic information system map required by § 56-46.1 of the Code of Virginia, which is Exhibit II.A.2 to the Appendix.

Sincerely.

Andrea Gardner Enclosures

cc:

William H. Chambliss, Esq. C. Meade Browder, Jr., Esq.

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

APPLICATION OF CENTRAL VIRGINIA ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE

FOR APPROVAL AND CERTIFICATION OF ELECTRIC FACILITIES

Gladstone to Tower Hill 138kV Transmission Line Rebuild Project

Case No. PUR-2021-00016

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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

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APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL AND CERTIFICATION OF ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES

Pursuant to § 56-46.1 of the Code of Virginia ("Code") and the Utility Facilities Act, Code § 56-265.1 *et seq.*, Central Virginia Electric Cooperative ("CVEC" or the "Cooperative"), by counsel, files with the State Corporation Commission of Virginia (the "Commission"), this application for approval and certification of electric transmission and associated facilities (the "Application"). In support of this Application, CVEC states as follows:

- 1. CVEC is a member-owned, electric distribution cooperative that provides retail electric service to over 36,000 accounts in its certificated service territory in portions of 14 Virginia counties: Albemarle, Amherst, Appomattox, Augusta, Buckingham, Campbell, Cumberland, Fluvanna, Goochland, Greene, Louisa, Nelson, Orange, and Prince Edward. CVEC's principle offices are located at 800 Cooperative Way, Arrington, Virginia 22922.
- 2. CVEC's existing transmission system in the project area receives service by a 46kV transmission line from Appalachian Power Company ("APCo"), an affiliate of American

Electric Power ("AEP"). As part of PJM's ongoing Regional Transmission Expansion Plan study process, AEP identified thermal and voltage violations of the AEP transmission reliability criteria on several 46kV sub-transmission facilities. To address the thermal and voltage violations, AEP proposed transmission improvement projects, which include the retiring of the existing 46kV transmission line currently serving CVEC, and construction of a new 138kV transmission line to the Cooperative's Gladstone substation delivery point. APCo has filed an application for Commission approval of these improvement projects in Case No. PUR-2021-00001. It is necessary, therefore, for CVEC to make certain upgrades to its transmission system to take delivery from AEP's upgraded 138kV line. In addition, the existing Gladstone to Tower Hill 46kV line is a 55-year-old wood pole transmission line that must be rebuilt as it is at the end of its service life. Accordingly, CVEC will rebuild the Gladstone to Tower Hill transmission line and upgrade it from 46kV to 138kV as well as perform minor upgrades to its Gladstone and Tower Hill substations that are required to take delivery from AEP's upgraded 138kV line (the "Gladstone Rebuild Project").

3. CVEC's in-service date must coincide with AEP's schedule in order to accept the 138kV delivery when the proposed AEP transmission line upgrade is complete and energized. The proposed in-service date of the Gladstone Rebuild Project is therefore currently anticipated to be no later than December 2025. CVEC anticipates, however, that it could have the Gladstone Rebuild Project constructed and ready to be energized by December 2023. The estimated conceptual cost of the Gladstone Rebuild Project is approximately \$8,790,000, which includes \$5,170,000 for transmission-related work and \$3,620,000 for substation-related work (2021 dollars). The Gladstone Rebuild Project is described in detail in Sections I and II of the Appendix attached to this Application.

- 4. The existing right-of-way for the Gladstone to Tower Hill transmission line is adequate to construct the Gladstone Rebuild Project. Accordingly, CVEC intends to rebuild the line entirely within that existing right-of-way and did not consider alternative routes. The Gladstone Rebuild Project is located entirely within CVEC's certified service territory with approximately 3.1 miles of the 6.3 Gladstone to Tower Hill transmission line located in Nelson County and approximately 3.2 miles in Appomattox County. Utilizing existing right-of-way will minimize impact to historic places, landmarks, wildlife and recreational lands, and prime or scenic timbered areas. The impact of the Gladstone Rebuild Project on scenic, environmental, and historical features is described in detail in Section III of the Appendix.
- 5. CVEC's consultant, Booth and Associates LLC ("Booth") has developed a supplement ("DEQ Supplement") to facilitate the review and analysis of the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality ("DEQ") and other relevant agencies of the Gladstone Rebuild Project. The DEQ Supplement is attached to this Application.
- 6. Section V of the Appendix provides a proposed route description for public notice purposes and a list of federal, state, and local agencies and offices that the Cooperative has or will notify about the Application.
- 7. In addition to the information provided in the Appendix and the DEQ Supplement, this Application is supported by the pre-filed direct testimony of Cooperative witnesses Bruce Maurhoff, Briana D. Eddy, and Gracyn S. Bancroft.

WHEREFORE, Central Virginia Electric Cooperative respectfully requests that the Commission: (i) direct that notice of this Application be given as required by § 56-46.1 of the Code of Virginia; (ii) approve pursuant to § 56-46.1 of the Code of Virginia the construction of the Gladstone Rebuild Project; and (iii) grant a certificate of public convenience and necessity

for the Gladstone Rebuild Project under the Utility Facilities Act, § 56-265.1 *et seq.* of the Code of Virginia.

Respectfully submitted,

CENTRAL VIRGINIA ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE

Counsel

February 3, 2021

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 3rd day of February 2021, a true copy of the foregoing Application of Central Virginia Electric Cooperative was delivered by electronic mail to the following:

William H. Chambliss, Esq. Office of General Counsel State Corporation Commission Tyler Building, 10th Floor 1300 E. Main Street Richmond, Virginia 23219

C. Meade Browder, Jr., Esq. Division of Consumer Counsel Office of Attorney General 202 N. 9th Street Richmond, Virginia 23219

By Counsel

Direct Testimony

WITNESS DIRECT TESTIMONY SUMMARY

Witness: Bruce Maurhoff

<u>Title</u>: Senior Vice-President and Chief Officer

Summary:

Cooperative witness Bruce Maurhoff is sponsoring Section I and Section V of the Appendix, which provides justification for and detailed descriptions of the Gladstone Rebuild Project. He also sponsors Section V of the Appendix which addresses notice requirements for the Gladstone Rebuild Project.

- Section I.A: this section addresses the primary justification for the Gladstone Rebuild Project.
- Section I.B: this section details the engineering justifications for the Gladstone Rebuild Project.
- <u>Section I.C:</u> this section discusses electrical load demand requirements.
- <u>Section I.D</u>: this section addresses contingency situations.
- Section I.E: this section describes feasible project alternatives.
- <u>Section I.F</u>: this section addresses facilities to be removed or replaced.
- <u>Section I.G</u>: this section includes system maps.
- Section I.H: this section addresses the desired in-service date and estimated construction timeline.
- <u>Section I.I</u>: this section provides estimated costs.
- Section I.J: this section details approvals by the RTO.
- Section I.K: this section addresses outage history.
- Section I.L: this section addresses structure and equipment deterioration.
- <u>Section I.M</u>: this section addresses transmission lines interconnecting a non-utility generator.
- Section I.N: this section addresses generating sources to be served by new ground facilities.
- Section V.A: this section describes the proposed route to be used for public notice purposes.
- Section V.B: this section details where members of the public may inspect the Application.
- <u>Section V.C</u>: this section lists the agencies that may have an interest in the Gladstone Rebuild Project.

DIRECT TESTIMONY

OF

BRUCE MAURHOFF

ON BEHALF OF CENTRAL VIRGINIA ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE **BEFORE THE**

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF VIRGINIA CASE NO. PUR-2021-00016

1	Q.	Please state your name, business address and position with Central Virginia Electric
2		Cooperative.
3	A.	My name is Bruce Maurhoff. I am Senior Vice-President and Chief Operating Officer for
4		Central Virginia Electric Cooperative ("CVEC" or the "Cooperative"). My business
5		address is Post Office Box 247, Lovingston, VA 22949
6	Q.	Please describe your areas of responsibility with CVEC.
7	A.	I am responsible for the oversight of the engineering, operations, and information
8		technology departments as well as activities associated with the planning of wholesale
9		power supply resources. I direct the departments in the planning, installation, operation
10		and maintenance of the transmission, distribution, communication, network and control
11		systems. I plan the research, evaluation, and consideration of wholesale power supply
12		resources and the development of practices, procedures, policies, and resources for CEO
13		and board approval to enable the efficient operation of the departments and the
14		procurement of economical power supply resources.
15	Q.	Please describe your professional experience and educational background.
16	A.	I received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering from Grove City
17		College in 1986. I hold certification as a registered professional engineer in the state of
18		Georgia and the Commonwealth of Virginia. I have more than 30 years of experience in
19		the engineering, planning, and operation functions of a distribution electric cooperative. I

have more than 20 years of management experience. From 1987 to 1997, I worked for Mitchell Electric Membership Corporation in Camilla, Georgia where I was responsible for the implementation of communication, load management and control systems, and the supervision of system planning, metering, field engineering, contracting, and apparatus maintenance.

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In 1997, I was hired as an electrical engineer for CVEC. I performed system planning studies, addressed power quality concerns, and managed projects for the implementation of communications and control systems. In 1999, I was promoted to Planning Engineering Manager. In 2001, I became Engineering Manager of a combined planning engineering and field engineering department, during which time I was responsible for the business functions of metering, mapping, system control, system planning, field engineering, apparatus maintenance, and load management. In 2008, I was promoted to Vice President of Engineering and Operations, and was responsible for providing direction to the Engineering and Operations departments. I became involved in power supply planning and retail rate design. In 2011, my job functions changed as the Vice President of Power Supply and Engineering. In addition to providing direction to the Engineering departments, I have a lead role in the planning of wholesale power supply procurement and providing information and options for CEO and Board consideration. In 2014, I was promoted to Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer leading the information technology, engineering, and operation departments in addition to managing power supply.

Q. What is the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding?

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A. The purpose of my testimony is to describe the CVEC's transmission system in the area of the proposed project and the need for, and benefits of, the proposed Gladstone Rebuild Project. I also address the notice requirements for the Gladstone Rebuild Project. I am sponsoring Section I and Section V of the Appendix.

6 Q. Please explain the Cooperative's proposed project.

The Gladstone Rebuild Project is necessary to rebuild and upgrade the Cooperative's Gladstone to Tower Hill transmission line from 46kV to 138kV and to make necessary upgrades at the Gladstone and Tower Hill Substations to take delivery from Appalachian Power Company ("APCo"), an affiliate of American Electric Power ("AEP"). This transmission line currently receives transmission service by an AEP 46kV transmission line. AEP is a member of the regional transmission organization PJM Interconnection L.L.C. ("PJM"). As part of PJM's ongoing Regional Transmission Expansion Plan study process, AEP identified thermal and voltage violations of the AEP transmission reliability criteria on several 46 kV sub-transmission facilities. To address the thermal and voltage violations, AEP proposed transmission improvement projects, which include the retiring of the existing 46kV line serving CVEC, and construction of a new 138kV transmission line to the Gladstone substation delivery point. As a result, CVEC must make appropriate upgrades to its system to take delivery from AEP at 138 kV. Further, the existing Gladstone to Tower Hill 46kV line providing service to the Gladstone and Tower Hill substations is a 55-year-old wood pole transmission line in need of update as the assets are at the end of their service life. CVEC will rebuild the line at 138kV and make

- 1 necessary upgrades at its Gladstone and Tower Hill Substations to take delivery from
- 2 AEP at 138kV.
- 3 Q. Has the Company complied with Va. Code §15.2-2202 E?
- 4 A. Yes. The Cooperative delivered letters to the County Administrators for Appomattox
- 5 County and Nelson County on January 8, 2021. These letters are included as Attachment
- 6 $\underline{\text{V.D}}$ to the Appendix.
- 7 Q. Does this conclude your pre-filed direct testimony?
- 8 A. Yes.

WITNESS DIRECT TESTIMONY SUMMARY

Witness: Briana D. Eddy

<u>Title</u>: General Manager Support Services

Summary:

Cooperative witness Briana D. Eddy is sponsoring Section III and Section IV of the Appendix, which details the impact of the Gladstone Rebuild Project on scenic, environmental, and historic features and the health aspects of electromagnetic fields ("EMF"). Ms. Eddy is also sponsoring the DEQ Supplement provided as part of the Cooperative's Application.

- Section III.A: this section describes the character of the area that will be traversed.
- <u>Section III.B</u>: this section describes any public meetings or outreach efforts with neighborhood associations and/or officials of local, state or federal governments in which the Company has engaged.
- <u>Section III.C</u>: this section details whether any buildings will be demolished or relocated if the Gladstone Rebuild Project is built as proposed.
- <u>Section III.D</u>: this section identifies existing physical facilities that the line will parallel, if any, and describes the characteristics and length of the right-of-way ("ROW").
- <u>Section III.E</u>: this sections details investigation into land use plans in the areas of the proposed route.
- <u>Section III.F</u>: this section addresses the Gladstone Rebuild Project's impact on important farmlands, if any.
- <u>Section III.G</u>: this section identifies the historic features that lie within or adjacent to the proposed ROW.
- <u>Section III.H</u>: this section identifies any registered aeronautical facilities that might be affected by the Gladstone Rebuild Project.
- <u>Section III.I</u>: this section identifies any scenic byways that are in proximity to or that will be crossed by the proposed transmission line.
- <u>Section III.J</u>: this section identifies coordination with appropriate municipal, state, and federal agencies.
- <u>Section III.K</u>: this section identifies coordination with any non-governmental organizations or private citizen groups.
- <u>Section III.L</u>: this section identifies any environmental permits or special permissions anticipated to be needed.
- Section IV: this section details the health aspects of electromagnetic fields.

DIRECT TESTIMONY OF BRIANA D. EDDY ON BEHALF OF

CENTRAL VIRGINIA ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE

BEFORE THE

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF VIRGINIA CASE NO. PUR-2021-00016

1	Q.	Please state your name, business address and position of employment.
2	A.	My name is Briana D. Eddy, General Manager, Support Services for Booth & Associates,
3		LLC ("Booth"). My business address is 5811 Glenwood Avenue, Suite 109, Raleigh,
4		North Carolina, 27612.
5	Q.	Please describe your areas of responsibility with Booth.
6	A.	As General Manager, I provide direct supervision of the Permitting, Survey and GIS Group
7		at Booth. This includes management of the design group in preparation of various utility
8		encroachments and environmental permits, management of Erosion and Sedimentation
9		Control and Storm Water Plans, and management of the required Army Corps of Engineer
10		documents for all applicable transmission/distribution, renewables and substation projects. I
11		also am responsible for project coordination with regulatory agency personnel and engineering
12		project managers.
13	Q.	Please describe your professional experience and educational background.
14	A.	My professional experience begins after obtaining my Bachelor's of Science degree in
15		Geoenvironmental Studies at Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania in 1997. I
16		worked as an office manager for a general practice attorney in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
17		for several years, including while I attended school at Thompson Institute to obtain an

Associates in Specialized Technology in Computer-Aided Drafting. While working with

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the attorney I had the opportunity to work with deeds and legal descriptions while assisting with property closings. In 2003 I obtained the design degree from Thompson Institute and transitioned from working from the attorney to being a designer at Brinjac Engineering in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

While working for Brinjac Engineering, I handled the drawings and documents needed to permit land-disturbing projects with the PADEQ, PennDOT and Army Corp. I also handled the GIS mapping and drafting for planning and engineering projects. In August of 2008 I transferred to North Carolina and began my work with Booth and Associates LLC. Just before this I had obtained my Penn State University master's degree First Year Certificate in Geographical Information Systems (GIS).

During my initial years at Booth I handled the permitting reports, documentation and drafting for all the land-disturbing projects, including for DEQ and DOT projects in Virginia and other states. In 2014, I added staff to the permitting group and began to act as project manager for permitting and civil/site design and now head up a larger group of engineers and technicians. I am familiar with the permitting requirements for this project and have been involved in coordination from the beginning of project planning.

Q. What is the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding?

18 A. The purpose of my testimony is to provide an overview of the environmental impacts of,
19 and associated permitting and agency outreach for, the Cooperative's proposed Gladstone
20 Rebuild Project. I am sponsoring Section III and Section IV of the Appendix. I am also
21 sponsoring the DEQ Supplement provided as part of the Cooperative's Application.

- 1 Q. Does this conclude your pre-filed direct testimony?
- 2 A. Yes.

WITNESS DIRECT TESTIMONY SUMMARY

Witness: Gracyn S. Bancroft, P.E. PMP

<u>Title</u>: Transmission Engineering Project Engineer

Summary:

Cooperative witness Gracyn S. Bancroft is sponsoring Section II.A, Section II.B, and Section II.C of the Appendix, which provides an overview of the design and engineering of the Gladstone Rebuild Project.

- Section II.A.1: this section details the length of the proposed corridor and viable alternatives.
- <u>Section II.A.2</u>: this section includes maps that show the route of the Gladstone Rebuild Project and its relation to other public utilities, transportation features and other facilities.
- Section II.A.3: this section includes a map of the ROW of the Gladstone Rebuild Project.
- Section II.A.4: this section addresses routes outside the existing ROW.
- Section II.A.5: this section details the ROW cross section.
- Section II.A.6: this section addresses portions of the ROW subject to existing easements.
- <u>Section II.A.7</u>: this section details the proposed ROW clearing methods to be used and the ROW restoration and maintenance practices planned.
- <u>Section II.A.8</u>: this section addresses the permitted uses of the proposed ROW.
- Section II.A.9: this section describes the Company's route selection procedures.
- <u>Section II.A.10</u>: this section describes the Company's construction plans for the Gladstone Rebuild Project.
- <u>Section II.A.11</u>: this section details how construction of the Gladstone Rebuild Project follows the provisions discussed in Attachment 1 of the SCC Guidelines.
- <u>Section II.A.12</u>: this section details the counties and localities through which the Gladstone Rebuild Project will pass and includes general highway maps.
- Section II.B.1: this section details the proposed circuits.
- Section II.B.2: this section details the configuration of the proposed conductors.
- <u>Section II.B.3</u>: this section details the proposed supporting structures over each portion of the ROW.
- Section II.B.4: this section addresses the supporting structures for all feasible alternate routes.
- <u>Section II.B.5</u>: this section provides mapping that shows existing and proposed structure heights for each individual structure within the ROW, as proposed.
- Section <u>II.B.6</u>: this section provides photographs for typical existing and proposed facilities.
- <u>Section II.C</u>: this section describes any substations, switching stations, and other ground facilities associated with the Gladstone Rebuild Project.

DIRECT TESTIMONY OF GRACYN S. BANCROFT, P.E., PMP ON BEHALF OF

CENTRAL VIRGINIA ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE BEFORE THE

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF VIRGINIA CASE NO. PUR-2021-XXXXX

1	Q.	Please state your name, business address and position of employment.
2	A.	My name is Gracyn S. Bancroft, P.E., PMP. I am a Transmission Engineering Project
3		Engineer for Booth & Associates, LLC ("Booth"). My business address is 5811 Glenwood
4		Avenue, Suite 109, Raleigh, North Carolina, 27612.
5	Q.	Please describe your areas of responsibility with Booth.
6	A.	Sure. As a transmission project engineer specializing in civil engineering activities
7		associated with transmission and distribution line design, I am responsible for the design
8		of new lines, line replacements, and transmission with distribution underbuild for various
9		projects ranging from 34.5kV to 345kV throughout the United States. I also provide
10		overall project management and coordinate scheduling of permitting, design, material
11		deliveries, and construction.
12	Q.	Please describe your professional experience and educational background.
13	A.	I received a Bachelor of Engineering degree from Vanderbilt University in Nashville, TN.
14		I have my Professional Engineer's license and maintain licensure in the Commonwealth of
15		Virginia, among other states. I have also earned a Project Management Professional license
16		from the Project Management Institute. I have practiced in the transmission line and utility
17		industry for over 8 years, which includes the wide variety of voltages noted, in locations

across the United States.

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- 1 Q. What is the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding?
- 2 A. The purpose of my testimony is to provide an overview of the design and engineering of
- 3 the Cooperative's proposed Gladstone Rebuild Project. Specifically, I am sponsoring
- 4 Sections II of the Appendix.
- 5 Q. Does this conclude your pre-filed direct testimony?
- 6 A. Yes.

Appendix

I. NECESSITY FOR THE PROPOSED PROJECT

A. State the primary justification for the proposed project (for example, the most critical contingency violation including the first year and season in which the violation occurs). In addition, identify each transmission planning standard(s) (of the Applicant, regional transmission organization ("RTO"), or North American Electric Reliability Corporation) projected to be violated absent construction of the facility.

Response:

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B. Detail the engineering justifications for the proposed project (for example, provide narrative to support whether the proposed project is necessary to upgrade or replace an existing facility, to significantly increase system reliability, to connect a new generating station to the Applicant's system, etc.). Describe any known future project(s), including but not limited to generation, transmission, delivery point or retail customer projects, that require the proposed project to be constructed. Verify that the planning studies used to justify the need for the proposed project considered all other generation and transmission facilities impacting the affected load area, including generation and transmission facilities that have not yet been placed into service. Provide a list of those facilities that are not yet in service.

Response:

The Gladstone Rebuild Project is necessary to rebuild and upgrade the Cooperative's transmission line from 46kV to 138kV and associated substation upgrades to take delivery from AEP. AEP has proposed transmission improvement projects, which include the retirement of the existing 46kV line service CVEC, and construction of a new 138kV transmission line to the Gladstone substation delivery point. The existing Gladstone to Tower Hill transmission line providing service to the Gladstone and Tower Hill substations is a 55-year-old wood pole transmission line and is due to be rebuilt. CVEC will rebuild its 46kV transmission line at 138kV to take delivery from AEP at 138kV. The Gladstone and Tower Hill substations will be rebuilt at 138kV and new 138kV to 12.47/7.2 –

24.9/14.4kV transformers will be installed. The Gladstone and Tower Hill substations will be rebuilt on property owned by CVEC at the existing substation sites. Beyond the need to replace the stations due to the upgrade of the high-side voltage, this upgrade will increase CVEC's system reliability. Once the new 138kV substations are in service the existing 46kV substations will be removed.

C. Describe the present system and detail how the proposed project will effectively satisfy present and projected future electrical load demand requirements. Provide pertinent load growth data (at least five years of historical summer and winter peak demands and ten years of projected summer and winter peak loads where applicable). Provide all assumptions inherent within the projected data and describe why the existing system cannot adequately serve the needs of the Applicant (if that is the case). Indicate the date by which the existing system is projected to be inadequate.

Response:

Electric demand on the existing transmission line is not a factor initiating the need for the Gladstone Rebuild Project. As explained in the Cooperative's response to Section I.A above, CVEC presently takes transmission service from AEP near its Gladstone substation at 46kV, and needs to upgrade the transmission system to 138kV to receive service from AEP's upgraded 138kV transmission line. CVEC owns the 46kV transmission line beyond the AEP service point. The CVEC 46kV transmission line serves the Gladstone and Tower Hill substations. The wood pole 46kV transmission facilities extend 6.3 miles from the AEP delivery point in southeast Nelson County, along route 60, east across the James River into northwest Appomattox County. The existing 46kV transmission facilities were built in 1965 with many of the original structures still in use. Most of the existing structures are single wood pole structures that would be replaced with steel or ductile iron poles and would remain single pole structures. Only the structures on either end of long spans, such as the James River crossing, would be two pole, Hframe structures. New structures would be placed within the same right-of-way of the existing line and spaced at intervals necessary to maintain required clearances at maximum conductor sag.

The winter and summer peak load information for this transmission line is provided in the table below. The area served by this transmission line is rural and is not forecasted to have significant growth.

Gladstone-Tower Hill Historical Transmission Load

	Winter Peak kW	Summer Peak kW
2016	4,910	3,429
2017	5,106	3,430
2018	5,968	3,278
2019	4,640	3,437
2020	4,136	3,630

Gladstone-Tower Hill Transmission Forecasted Load

	Winter Peak	Summer Peak
2021	6,010	3,655
2022	6,034	3,670
2023	6,058	3,685
2024	6,107	3,714
2025	6,149	3,740
2026	6,192	3,766
2027	6,230	3,789
2028	6,267	3,812
2029	6,305	3,835
2030	6,336	3,854

D. If power flow modeling indicates that the existing system is, or will at some future time be, inadequate under certain contingency situations, provide a list of all these contingencies and the associated violations. Describe the critical contingencies including the affected elements and the year and season when the violation(s) is first noted in the planning studies. Provide the applicable computer screenshots of single-line diagrams from power flow simulations depicting the circuits and substations experiencing thermal overloads and voltage violations during the critical contingencies described above.

Response:

Power flow modeling done by AEP initiated the need for transmission system changes resulting in 138kV delivery to CVEC's Gladstone delivery point, trigging the need for the Gladstone Rebuild Project.

E. Describe the feasible project alternatives, if any, considered for meeting the identified need including any associated studies conducted by the Applicant or analysis provided to the RTO. Explain why each alternative was rejected.

Response:

CVEC considered two options for taking delivery at 138 kV from AEP. Option 1 was to build a new transmission substation at the Gladstone delivery point, install two (2) 15 MVA 138kV to 46kV transformers and continue operating at 46 kV on the CVEC Gladstone to Tower Hill transmission line and taking 46 kV delivery at the Gladstone and Tower Hill substations. The total estimated cost of this option is \$9,512,000.

Option 2 was to take delivery at 138kV from AEP through a new 138kV breaker station constructed at the Gladstone delivery point. The CVEC transmission line would be rebuilt at 138 kV and the Gladstone and Tower Hill substations would be upgraded with 138kV to 12.47/7.2 kV - 24.9/14.4 kV transformers. The estimated cost of this option is \$8,790,000.

The Cooperative determined Option 2 is the preferred option because the existing 46 kV transmission line is a 55-year-old wood pole line with many of the initial

structures still in use. CVEC anticipates that this line is at the end of its service life and would need to be rebuilt regardless of any other required upgrades. In addition, this option proved more advantageous because the transformers with voltage ratings of 138kV to 12.47/7.2kV - 24.9/14.4kV are used in other substations on CVEC's system and spare transformers will be available. The estimated service life of these assets will be 30-35 years.

F. Describe any lines or facilities that will be removed, replaced, or taken out of service upon completion of the proposed project, including the number of circuits and normal and emergency ratings of the facilities.

Response:

The Cooperative's Gladstone to Tower Hill transmission line is the only line that will be replaced with the Gladstone Rebuild Project. The Gladstone and Tower Hill substations will be replaced with facilities capable of 138kV service. The existing substation structures, transformers and associated equipment will be retired after the new 138kV substation facilities are in service.

G. Provide a system map, in color and of suitable scale, showing the location and voltage of the Applicant's transmission lines, substations, generating facilities, etc., that would affect or be affected by the new transmission line and are relevant to the necessity for the proposed line. Clearly label on this map all points referenced in the necessity statement.

Response: See <u>Attachment I.G</u> for the system map.

H. Provide the desired in-service date of the proposed project and the estimated construction time.

Response:

CVEC's in-service date must coincide with AEP's schedule in order to accept the 138kV delivery when the proposed AEP transmission line upgrade is complete and energized. The proposed in-service date of the Gladstone Rebuild Project is therefore currently anticipated to be no later than December 2025. CVEC anticipates, however, that it could have the Gladstone Rebuild Project constructed and ready to be energized by December 2023.

I. Provide the estimated total cost of the project as well as total transmission-related costs and total substation-related costs. Provide the total estimated cost for each feasible alternative considered. Identify and describe the cost classification (e.g. "conceptual cost," "detailed cost," etc.) for each cost provided.

Response:

See the Cooperative's response to Section I.E for information regarding cost of feasible alternatives considered. The proposed project total estimated cost is \$8,790,000. The estimated transmission-related costs are \$5,170,000 and the estimated substation improvement costs are \$3,620,000. These cost estimates are conceptual costs as actual design and materials have not been specified or bid.

J. If the proposed project has been approved by the RTO, provide the line number, regional transmission expansion plan number, cost responsibility assignments, and cost allocation methodology. State whether the proposed project is considered to be a baseline or supplemental project.

Response: RTO approval is not required for the Gladstone Rebuild Project because it is not part of the bulk electric system.

K. If the need for the proposed project is due in part to reliability issues and the proposed project is a rebuild of an existing transmission line(s), provide five years of outage history for the line(s), including for each outage the cause, duration and number of customers affected. Include a summary of the average annual number and duration of outages. Provide the average annual number and duration of outages on all Applicant circuits of the same voltage, as well as the total number of such circuits. In addition to outage history, provide five years of maintenance history on the line(s) to be rebuilt including a description of the work performed as well as the cost to complete the maintenance. Describe any system work already undertaken to address this outage history.

Response:

Reliability has been a concern on the 46kV transmission. Most of the outages can be attributed to the AEP transmission line providing service to CVEC. The 378 customers on Tower Hill substation have experienced 34.42 hours of outage time and the 679 customers on the Gladstone substation have experienced 32.21 hours of outage time. One eight-hour outage was requested by AEP in 2016 to allow AEP to change deteriorated poles on their existing line when the work could not be done while the line was energized. The condition of the structures did not allow the AEP maintenance to be delayed. The longest duration outage in the last 5 years was over 10 hours. Five years of transmission outage history is provided in the table below.

CVEC has performed regular inspection and maintenance on the Gladstone to Tower Hill transmission line. Pole inspection prior to 2018 resulted in 6 of the 90 poles being identified to be replaced. In 2018, a total of 11 poles, including the 6 previously identified, were replaced with the 46kV line remaining energized. The total cost of this maintenance work was \$265,026. Inspection of this line in 2020 identified an additional 9 poles (10%) to be replaced due to deterioration.

Tower Hill Substation

	Duration	Customers	Customer		
Date	Minutes	Affected	Minutes	Cause	
10/1/2016	478	371	177,338	Planned	02 A- Power Supply - AEP
5/31/2017	82	375	30,750	Wind	02 A- Power Supply - AEP
3/2/2018	620	379	234,980	Wind	02 A- Power Supply - AEP
8/13/2018	197	377	74,269	Rain	02 A- Power Supply - AEP
11/1/2019	527	380	200,260	Lightning	02 A- Power Supply - AEP
8/29/2020	7	386	2,702	Lightning	02 A- Power Supply - AEP

11/17/2020	69	386	26,634	Wind Equipment	02 A- Power Supply - AEP
11/4/2017	85	378	32,130	Failure	30 D- Material/ Equip Failure
Tower Hill					
Total	2,065		779,063		
Hours	34.42		12,984	Customer-Hours	
Gladstone Substation					
	Duration	Customers	Customer		
Date	Minutes	Affected	Minutes	Cause	
10/1/2016	478	674	322,172	Planned	02 A- Power Supply - AEP
5/31/2017	85	676	57,460	Wind	02 A- Power Supply - AEP
3/2/2018	620	669	414,780	Wind	02 A- Power Supply - AEP
8/13/2018	199	673	133,927	Rain	02 A- Power Supply - AEP
11/1/2019	725	673	488,138	Lightning	02 A- Power Supply - AEP
8/29/2020	7	680	4,760	Lightning	02 A- Power Supply - AEP
11/17/2020	68	679	46,172	Wind	02 A- Power Supply - AEP
					03 A- Power Supply - CVEC
10/31/2019	142	673	95,566	Lightning	Substation
11/10/2020	86	679	58,439	Planned	10 C- Planned, Maintenance
Gladstone	1.000		1 (01 11 1		
Total	1,932		1,621,414		1
Hours	32.21		27,024	Customer-Hours	
Total Hours	66.62		40,008	Customer-Hours	

L. If the need for the proposed project is due in part to deterioration of structures and associated equipment, provide representative photographs and inspection records detailing their condition.

Response:

CVEC's inspection in 2020 of the Gladstone to Tower Hill transmission line indicated that nine (9) structures (approximately 10%) need to be replaced. Another eight (8) poles (approximately 9%) needed to be treated for woodpecker damage, ground rot or insects. Photographs of some structures requiring repair or replacement are provided in Attachments I.L1-I.L.4.

Reject Transmission Poles on the line from Gladstone to Tower Hill Substations

LocationID	StructNum	MultDescrip	StructType	YearManufa	Length	Class
71394	T5-21	Single Pole	Wood Pole	1965	50	1
71405	T5-2B	Single Pole	Wood Pole	1965	35	2
71417	T5-37	Single Pole	Wood Pole	1965	55	2
71419	T5-39A	Single Pole	Wood Pole	1965	50	1
71417	T5-37	Single Pole	Wood Pole	1965	55	_

71432	T5-49	Single Pole	Wood Pole	1965	50	1
71435	T5-51	Single Pole	Wood Pole	1965	50	1
71452	T5-67	Single Pole	Wood Pole	1965	55	1
71456	T5-70	Single Pole	Wood Pole	1965	55	1
71467	T5-80	Single Pole	Wood Pole	1963	60	2

Transmission Poles on the circuit from Gladstone to Tower Hill Substations that required maintenance (Wood Treatment)

LocationID	StructNum	MultDescrip	StructType	YearManufa	Length	Class
71205	T5 14	Cinala Dala	Wood Dolo	1065	50	1
71385	T5-14	Single Pole	Wood Pole	1965	50	1
71386	T5-15	Single Pole	Wood Pole	1965	50	1
71426	T5-44	Single Pole	Wood Pole	1965	50	2
71433	T5-5	Single Pole	Wood Pole	1965	50	1
71440	T5-56	Single Pole	Wood Pole	1986	65	3
71444	T5-6	Single Pole	Wood Pole	1965	55	1
71447	T5-62 / EC25-3-1	Single Pole	Wood Pole	1986	55	3
71466	T5-8	Single Pole	Wood Pole	1965	50	1

- M. In addition to the other information required by these guidelines, applications for approval to construct facilities and transmission lines interconnecting a Non- Utility Generator ("NUG") and a utility shall include the following information:
 - 1. The full name of the NUG as it appears in its contract with the utility and the dates of initial contract and any amendments;
 - 2. A description of the arrangements for financing the facilities, including information on the allocation of costs between the utility and the NUG;
 - 3.a. For Qualifying Facilities ("QFs") certificated by Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC") order, provide the QF or docket number, the dates of all certification or recertification orders, and the citation to FERC Reports, if available;
 - 3.b. For self-certificated QFs, provide a copy of the notice filed with FERC;
 - 4. Provide the project number and project name used by FERC in licensing hydroelectric projects; also provide the dates of all orders and citations to FERC Reports, if available; and
 - 5. If the name provided in 1 above differs from the name provided in 3 above, give a full explanation.

Response: Not applicable.

N. Describe the proposed and existing generating sources, distribution circuits or load centers planned to be served by all new substations, switching stations and other ground facilities associated with the proposed project.

Response: The Cooperative is not proposing construction of any new facilities with the

Gladstone Rebuild Project, only the rebuild of existing facilities.

II. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT

A. Right-of-way ("ROW")

1. Provide the length of the proposed corridor and viable alternatives.

Response: The length of the existing right-of-way is 6.33 miles. Because the Gladstone

Rebuild Project will utilize the existing ROW, no alternative routes are

proposed for the Gladstone Rebuild Project.

2. Provide color maps of suitable scale (including both general location mapping and more detailed GIS-based constraints mapping) showing the route of the proposed line and its relation to: the facilities of other public utilities that could influence the route selection, highways, streets, parks and recreational areas, scenic and historic areas, open space and conservation easements, schools, convalescent centers, churches, hospitals, burial grounds/cemeteries, airports and other notable structures close to the proposed project. Indicate the existing linear utility facilities that the line is proposed to parallel, such as electric transmission lines, natural gas transmission lines, pipelines, highways, and railroads. Indicate any existing transmission ROW sections that are to be quitclaimed or otherwise relinquished. Additionally, identify the manner in which the Applicant will make available to interested persons, including state and local governmental entities, the digital GIS shape file for the route of the proposed line.

Response: See Attachments II.A.2(a)-(c). All GIS files showing the route are available for

issuance to agencies as needed.

3. Provide a separate color map of a suitable scale showing all the Applicant's transmission line ROWs, either existing or proposed, in the vicinity of the proposed project.

Response: See <u>Attachment II.A.3</u>.

4. To the extent the proposed route is not entirely within existing ROW, explain why existing ROW cannot adequately service the needs of the Applicant.

Response: The proposed route lies entirely within the existing ROW.

- 5. Provide drawings of the ROW cross section showing typical transmission line structure placements referenced to the edge of the ROW. These drawings should include:
 - a. ROW width for each cross section drawing;
 - b. Lateral distance between the conductors and edge of ROW:
 - c. Existing utility facilities on the ROW; and

d. For lines being rebuilt in existing ROW, provide all of the above as it currently exists, and (ii) as it will exist at the conclusion of the proposed project

Response: See <u>Attachments II.A.5</u>.

6. Detail what portions of the ROW are subject to existing easements and over what portions new easements will be needed.

Response: The ROW is existing; no new easements are needed for the Gladstone Rebuild Project.

7. Detail the proposed ROW clearing methods to be used and the ROW restoration and maintenance practices planned for the proposed project.

Response:

No new ROW will be cleared for the Gladstone Rebuild Project. The Gladstone to Tower Hill transmission line will be rebuilt in the existing ROW. The ROW vegetation is managed on a five-year cycle using utility standard mechanical and chemical vegetation management practices.

8. Indicate the permitted uses of the proposed ROW by the easement landowner and the Applicant.

Response:

The easements for the existing ROW permit the Cooperative to place, construct, repair, maintain, reconstruct, relocate and replace an electric transmission and/or distribution line or system; and to maintain the ROW and keep it clear of all buildings or structures. The landowner is permitted to place fences of a reasonable height. The easement is not specific to other uses permitted by the landowner.

9. Describe the Applicant's route selection procedures. Detail the feasible alternative routes considered. For each such route, provide the estimated cost and identify and describe the cost classification (e.g. "conceptual cost," "detailed cost," etc.). Describe the Applicant's efforts in considering these feasible alternatives. Detail why the proposed route was selected and other feasible alternatives were rejected. In the event that the proposed route crosses, or one of the feasible routes was rejected in part due to the need to cross, land managed by federal, state, or local agencies or conservation easements or open space easements qualifying under §§ 10.1-1009 – 1016 or §§ 10.1-1700 – 1705 of the Code (or a comparable prior or subsequent provision of the Code), describe the Applicant's efforts to secure the necessary ROW.

Response: The Cooperative did not consider alternative routes because the existing ROW is adequate to construct the Gladstone Rebuild Project.

10. Describe the Applicant's construction plans for the project, including how the Applicant will minimize service disruption to the affected load area.

Include requested and approved line outage schedules for affected lines as appropriate.

Response:

The Cooperative intends to rebuild the Gladstone to Tower Hill transmission line with the existing facilities remaining energized. The Gladstone to Tower Hill transmission line is a radial tap line with no other transmission feed available to serve the Gladstone and Tower Hill substations. CVEC will utilize distribution line tie points between Gladstone and Tower Hill and between Tower Hill and Mt. Rush substation to transfer load off of Tower Hill substation. Distribution system analysis will be performed to determine the extent of load transfer possible, allowing part or all of the transmission line to be rebuilt with the existing line deenergized. If analysis indicates that distribution tie points between substation do not have sufficient capacity to transfer the required load during the construction period, the transmission line will be rebuilt with the existing line remaining energized. CVEC will limit outages to durations of six (6) or less hours when required to connect or reconfigure the electric system. The substation construction at Gladstone and Tower Hill will take place at the existing substation sites, adjacent to the existing substations, on property owned by CVEC. Before energizing the new line, it will be connected to the newly constructed substations. The stations will then be tested and commissioned prior to energization. Once the new stations are online and energized the existing stations will then be decommissioned with care to incur minimal outages.

11. Indicate how the construction of this transmission line follows the provisions discussed in Attachment 1 of these Guidelines.

Response:

The construction of the Gladstone Rebuild Project follows the provisions discussed in Attachment 1 of these Guidelines by utilizing existing ROW, which minimizes impact to historic places, landmarks, wildlife and recreational lands, and prime or scenic timbered areas and avoids steep slopes and proximately to main highways. It also does not cross any land managed by government agencies and requires no additional clearing beyond the typical maintenance and upkeep already underway. No access roads are required and the existing river crossing will be placed against the slope to minimize scenic value impact.

12.

a. Detail counties and localities through which the line will pass. If any portion of the line will be located outside of the Applicant's certificated service area: (1) identify each electric utility affected; (2) state whether any affected electric utility objects to such construction; and (3) identify the length of line(s) proposed to be located in the service area of an electric utility other than the Applicant; and

Response:

The Gladstone Rebuild Project is entirely within CVEC's certified service area. Approximately 3.1 miles of the 6.3 transmission line is in Nelson County and approximately 3.2 miles in Appomattox County.

b. Provide three (3) color copies of the Virginia Department of Transportation "General Highway Map" for each county and city through which the line will pass. On the maps show the proposed line and all previously approved and certificated facilities of the Applicant. Also, where the line will be located outside of the Applicant's certificated service area, show the boundaries between the Applicant and each affected electric utility. On each map where the proposed line would be outside of the Applicant's certificated service area, the map must include a signature of an appropriate representative of the affected electric utility indicating that the affected utility is not opposed to the proposed construction within its service area.

Response:

Three General Highway Maps for Appomattox County and Nelson County are marked as required and filed with the Application. Reduced copies of the maps are provided as Attachment II.A.12.b.

II. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT

B. Line Design and Operational Features

1. Detail the number of circuits and their design voltage, initial operational voltage, any anticipated voltage upgrade, and transfer capabilities.

Response:

The Gladstone Rebuild Project affects one 46kV circuit that will be upgraded to 138kV. The transmission line is a radial feed with no transfer capabilities.

2. Detail the number, size(s), type(s), coating and typical configurations of conductors. Provide the rationale for the type(s) of conductor(s) to be used.

Response:

Approximately 6.33 miles of the Gladstone to Tower Hill transmission line will be rebuilt using 3/8" high strength steel shield wire. Approximately 6.33 miles of 3/0 aluminum conductor steel ("ACSR") "Pigeon" conductors will be upgraded to 336 ACSR "Linnet." This is a standard conductor utilized by CVEC for transmission tap construction; it is not coated and has the strength and capacity characteristics conducive for rural transmission construction in well-maintained ROW where contact with trees is not expected. ACSR is Aluminum 1350-H19 wires, concentrically stranded around a steel core. Standard core wire for ACSR is class A galvanized.

- 3. With regard to the proposed supporting structures over each portion of the ROW for the preferred route, provide diagrams (including foundation reveal) and descriptions of all the structure types, to include:
 - a. mapping that identifies each portion of the preferred route;
 - b. the rationale for the selection of the structure type;
 - c. the number of each type of structure and the length of each portion of the ROW;
 - d. the structure material and rationale for the selection of such material;
 - e. the foundation material:
 - f. the average width at cross arms;
 - g. the average width at the base;
 - h. the maximum, minimum and average structure heights;
 - i. the average span length; and
 - j. the minimum conductor-to-ground clearances under maximum operating conditions.

Response: See Attachment II.B.3(a), Attachment II.B.3(b), and Attachments II.B.5(a)-(d).

4. With regard to the proposed supporting structures for all feasible

alternate routes, provide the maximum, minimum and average structure heights with respect to the whole route.

Response: Not applicable.

5. For lines being rebuilt, provide mapping showing existing and proposed structure heights for each individual structure within the ROW, as proposed in the application.

Response: See <u>Attachment II.B.3(b)</u> and <u>Attachments II.B.5(a)</u> – (d). The structures are planned to be within ten feet of the original structure locations.

6. Provide photographs for typical existing facilities to be removed, comparable photographs or representations for proposed structures, and visual simulations showing the appearance of all planned transmission structures at identified historic locations within one mile of the proposed centerline and in key locations identified by the Applicant.

Response: See <u>Attachments II.B.6(a)</u> – <u>II.B.6(e)</u>. <u>Attachment II.A.5</u> provides diagrams and descriptions of proposed structure types.

II. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT

C. Describe and furnish plan drawings of all new substations, switching stations, and other ground facilities associated with the proposed project. Include size, acreage, and bus configurations. Describe substation expansion capability and plans. Provide one-line diagrams for each.

Response:

CVEC anticipates that the Gladstone Rebuild Project will require construction of two (2) two-bank 138 x 15 kV substations: the Gladstone 138 x 15 kV Substation and the Tower Hill 138 x 15 kV Substation. Certain distribution system improvements, however, may provide redundancy and eliminate the need for two banks per substation. CVEC will continue to explore this possibility and may revise the substation design accordingly. The Cooperative intends to decommission and remove the existing substations upon completion of the Gladstone and Tower Hill Substations.

The Gladstone Substation will be fed by a 138 kV line from APCo and will have a utility metering structure for APCo. The transmission line will go through the high voltage bus work and leave Gladstone Substation via the proposed Gladstone 138kV transmission line. Each bank in the Gladstone Substation will have one 15/20/25 MVA transformer and a high side circuit breaker. These banks will be connected on the 138 kV side through high voltage bus work and connected with a feeder box structure on the 15 kV side. This feeder box structure will consist of four circuit exits. These circuit exits will be protected by a 15 kV circuit breaker and the feeder structure will have a transfer bus to allow for feeding multiple circuit exits through a single breaker. Additionally, the feeder structure will have a tie breaker in the middle of the four circuit exits to allow for many operational scenarios. The Gladstone Substation will consist of approximately 200' x 200' of newly graded land in addition to new drives and access. No future expansion of the Gladstone Substation is intended other than the two (2) circuit exits to be installed at a later date.

The Tower Hill Substation will be fed by the proposed Gladstone 138kV transmission line. Each bank in the Tower Hill Substation will have one 15/20/25 MVA Transformer and a high side circuit breaker. These banks will be connected on the 138 kV side through high voltage bus work and connected with a feeder box structure on the 15 kV side. This feeder box structure will consist of four circuit exits: two (2) will be installed during construction of the Gladstone Project Rebuild and two (2) will be installed at a later date. These circuit exits will be protected by a 15 kV circuit breaker and the feeder structure will have a transfer bus to allow for feeding multiple circuit exits through a single breaker. Additionally, the feeder structure will have a tie breaker in the middle of the four circuit exits to allow for many operational scenarios. The Tower Hill Substation will consist of approximately 200' x 200' of newly graded land in addition to new drives and access. No future expansion of the Tower Hill Substation is intended other than the two (2) circuit exits to be installed at a later date.

See Attachments II.C.1 – II.C.4 for drawings and one-line diagrams.

III. IMPACT OF LINE ON SCENIC, ENVIRONMENTAL, AND HISTORIC FEATURES

A. Describe the character of the area that will be traversed by this line, including land use, wetlands, etc. Provide the number of dwellings within 500 feet, 250 feet and 100 feet of the centerline, and within the ROW for each route considered. Provide the estimated amount of farmland and forestland within the ROW that the proposed project would impact.

Response:

The corridor of the Gladstone Rebuild Project is comprised of approximately 2.3 acres of wetlands, 1,565 feet of perennial rivers and streams, 76.5 acres of prime or important farmland, 74 parcels, and includes twelve road crossings. Along the route there are 128 buildings within a visibility range of 500 feet, 68 buildings within a sight distance of 250 feet, and 22 buildings within 100 feet of the transmission centerline, with 11 structures within the existing ROW. There are no archeological sites reported in this area within one (1) mile at this time and a table of endangered species in the area accompanies this report.

The existing route has been in place for many years, so there are no new impacts expected by the Gladstone Rebuild Project. There are a total of 74 parcels along the ROW and dwellings/structures near the route are shown in Table 1 below and Land Use in Table 2.

Table 1 Number of Structures Along Route

ROUTE OPTIONS	STRUCTURES WITHIN 500- FOOT VISIBILITY		STRUCTURES WITHIN 100- FOOT VISIBILITY	EXISTING STRUCTURES IN RIGHT-OF-WAY
Existing Route	128	68	22	11

Table 2 Zoning Classifications/Land Use

ROUTE OPTIONS	RESIDENTIAL	AGRICULTURAL	COMMERCIAL	UNKNOWN
Proposed Route	0.62 ac.	72.98 ac.	1.60 ac.	0.59 ac.

Table 3 Prime Farmland

ROUTE OPTIONS	PRIME FARMLAND	IMPORTANT FARMLAND	NOT PRIME FARMLAND
Proposed Route	44.96 ac.	31.52 ac.	38.51 c.

B. Describe any public meetings the Applicant has had with neighborhood associations and/or officials of local, state or federal governments that would have an interest or responsibility with respect to the affected area or areas.

Response:

In accordance with Va. Code §15.2-2202 E, letters were delivered to Ms. Susan M. Adams, Appomattox County Administrator, and Steve Carter, Nelson County Administrator, advising of the Cooperative's intent to file this Application and inviting the counties to contact the Cooperative about the Gladstone Rebuild Project. See Attachment V.D Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and restrictions limiting public gatherings in Virginia, the Cooperative has not been able to host public meetings with neighborhood or community associations that might have an interest in the Gladstone Rebuild Project. Gladstone Project information can be found at www.mycyec.com.

All appropriate agencies were notified about the Gladstone Rebuild Project through the RUS Environmental Report outreach process. Agency responses are included as Attachment III.B.

C. Detail the nature, location, and ownership of each building that would have to be demolished or relocated if the project is built as proposed.

Response:

The following properties have structures within the easement, or need field verification:

- Structure within easement in Appomattox County, GIS Account #12 A 6.
- Structure within easement on GPIN #3782-71-8451, Nelson County
- Structure within easement on GPIN #3782-71-3894, Nelson County
- Field verify structure outside easement on GPIN #3783-11-8360, Nelson County
- Field verify structure outside easement on GPIN #3783-01-1737, Nelson County
- Structure within easement on GPIN #3773-92-8028, Nelson County
- Structure within easement on GPIN #3773-92-5077, Nelson County

The Cooperative has not yet assessed the listed properties to determine if removal is necessary for the Gladstone Rebuild Project. If the identified structures impair travel along the ROW route, the maneuvering of material or equipment for the purpose of inspection, maintenance or construction, or prohibit installation of structures, conductors, guys, anchors or other transmission or distribution facilities, they will need to be removed.

D. Identify existing physical facilities that the line will parallel, if any, such as existing transmission lines, railroad tracks, highways, pipelines, etc. Describe the current use and physical appearance and characteristics of the existing ROW that would be paralleled, as well as the length of time the transmission ROW has been in use.

Response:

There are no physical facilities that directly parallel the transmission line. However, CVEC will need to acquire a Right-of-Entry permit from CSX Railroad before proceeding with their on-site work in the railyard. The transmission line crosses the railyard perpendicularly South of Tye Yard Road in Caskie, just north of the James River crossing. This permit application will include a plan and profile drawing of the new design structures and conductors to illustrate their position on the earth and heights of attachments to prove clearance from the railroad cars is being maintained.

E. Indicate whether the Applicant has investigated land use plans in the areas of the proposed route and indicate how the building of the proposed line would affect any proposed land use.

Response: The Gladstone Rebuild Project is entirely within existing ROW and would not affect land use.

F. Government Bodies

- 1. Indicate if the Applicant determined from the governing bodies of each county, city and town in which the proposed facilities will be located whether those bodies have designated the important farmlands within their jurisdictions, as required by § 3.2-205 B of the Code.
- 2. If so, and if any portion of the proposed facilities will be located on any such important farmland:
 - a. Include maps and other evidence showing the nature and extent of the impact on such farmlands;
 - b. Describe what alternatives exist to locating the proposed facilities on the affected farmlands, and why those alternatives are not suitable; and
 - c. Describe the Applicant's proposals to minimize the impact of the facilities on the affected farmland.

Response: 1. There are small pockets of farmland of statewide importance. See <u>Attachments III.F.1(a)-(c)</u>.

2. Not applicable.

- G. Identify the following that lie within or adjacent to the proposed ROW:
 - 1. Any district, site, building, structure, or other object included in the National Register of Historic Places maintained by the U.S. Secretary of the Interior;
 - 2. Any historic architectural, archeological, and cultural resources, such as historic landmarks, battlefields, sites, buildings, structures, districts or objects listed or determined eligible by the Virginia Department of Historic Resources ("DHR");
 - 3. Any historic district designated by the governing body of any city or county;
 - 4. Any state archaeological site or zone designated by the Director of the DHR, or its predecessor, and any site designated by a local archaeological commission, or similar body;
 - 5. Any underwater historic assets designated by the DHR, or predecessor agency or board;
 - 6. Any National Natural Landmark designated by the U.S. Secretary of the Interior;
 - 7. Any area or feature included in the Virginia Registry of Natural Areas maintained by the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation ("DCR");
 - 8. Any area accepted by the Director of the DCR for the Virginia Natural Area Preserves System;
 - 9. Any conservation easement or open space easement qualifying under §§ 10.1-1009 1016, or §§ 10.1-1700 1705, of the Code (or a comparable prior or subsequent provision of the Code);
 - 10. Any state scenic river;
 - 11. Any lands owned by a municipality or school district; and
 - 12. Any federal, state or local battlefield, park, forest, game or wildlife preserve, recreational area, or similar facility. Features, sites, and the like listed in 1 through 11 above need not be identified again.

Response

1	N	on	e.

- 2. None.
- 3. None.
- 4. None.
- 5. None.
- 6. None.
- 7. None.

- 8. None.
- 9. None.
- 10. The Gladstone Rebuild Project crosses the James River for a length of approximately 1,565 feet and requires a Section 10 permit from the US Army Corp of Engineers.
- 11. None.
- 12. None.
- H. List any registered aeronautical facilities (airports, helipads) where the proposed route would place a structure or conductor within the federally-defined airspace of the facilities. Advise of contacts, and results of contacts, made with appropriate officials regarding the effect on the facilities' operations.

Response: The Federal Aviation Administration's "Notice Criteria Tool" was used to submit the location and heights of four (4) sample poles along the alignment of the proposed transmission line. None of the filings exceeded Notice Criteria.

1. Advise of any scenic byways that are in proximity to or that will be crossed by the proposed transmission line and describe what steps will be taken to mitigate any visual impacts on such byways. Describe typical mitigation techniques for other highways' crossings.

Response: The Gladstone Rebuild Project crosses the James River and can be viewed from Riverside Drive. There will be no change in landscape buffers or visual differences.

J. Identify coordination with appropriate municipal, state, and federal agencies.

Response: As described in Section III.B, the Cooperative solicited feedback from Appomattox and Nelson County regarding the proposed Gladstone Rebuild Project. In addition, the Cooperative notified all appropriate agencies about the Gladstone Rebuild Project through the RUS Environmental Report outreach process. Agency responses are included as Attachment III.B.

K. Identify coordination with any non-governmental organizations or private citizen groups.

Response: The Cooperative will coordinate non-governmental organizations and community outreach for work expected along the corridor.

L. Identify any environmental permits or special permissions anticipated to be needed.

Response: The Cooperative expects that the following permits will be required for the Gladstone Rebuild Project:

- United State Army Corp of Engineers, Section 10 River Crossing Permit and/or any disturbance to wetlands over 1/10 of an acre (Applied through Joint Permit Application (JPA).
- DEQ Virginia Water Protection (VWP) general permit may or may not be necessary due to the CVEC Annual Standards. However, a Joint Permit Application will be filed to determine final requirements by DEQ.
- Time of Year Restriction letters needed from Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, Department of Conservation and Recreation, or Virginia Marine Resources Commission.
- DEQ Erosion and Sedimentation Control and Stormwater Management (VPDES) permit needed for disturbance over one (1) acre. Erosion and Stormwater plans will be generated for use by contractors.
- Air Quality fugitive dust generated during construction will need to be controlled, but not to the extent that it runs off into sensitive wetlands or surface waters. Generators, wood chippers/grinders maybe subject to registration and air permitting requirements. Any open burning will be coordinated according to the Virginia Waste Management Regulations and will be coordinated with the local fire official.
- A no permit letter will be required from the Virginia Marine Resources Commission. This agency will offer a determination after review of the Joint Permit application process.

IV. HEALTH ASPECTS OF ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELDS ("EMF")

A. Provide the calculated maximum electric and magnetic field levels that are expected to occur at the edge of the ROW. If the new transmission line is to be constructed on an existing electric transmission line ROW, provide the present levels as well as the maximum levels calculated at the edge of ROW after the new line is operational.

Response: See table below.

Location for		ine, ~20 Amps d on 1500 kVA	Proposed 138 k Max Load base	V Line, ~7 Amps d on 1500 kVA	Proposed 138kV 10-Year Pro		1 *	ine, ~93 Amps jected Load		Line, *420 Amps lote 2
Calculation, Between Structures &	Magnetic Field at ROW Edge (mG)	Electric Field at ROW Edge (V/m)	Magnetic Field at ROW Edge (mG)	Electric Field at ROW Edge (V/m)	Magnetic Field at ROW Edge (mG)	Electric Field at ROW Edge (V/m)	Magnetic Field at ROW Edge (mG)	Electric Field at ROW Edge (V/m)	Magnetic Field at ROW Edge (mG)	Electric Field at ROW Edge (V/m)
3, 4	0.336	57.000	0.135	171.000	0.579	167.000	1.562	57.000	8.108	171.000
13, 14	0.285	59.000	0.100	182.000	0.429	182.000	1.324	59.000	6.008	182.000
23, 24	0.509	56.000	0.206	254.000	0.884	254.000	2.369	56.000	12.375	254.000
33, 34	0.485	95.000	0.182	350.000	0.782	350.000	2.257	95.000	10.950	350.000
43, 44	0.518	96.000	0.325	523.000	1.392	523.000	2.410	96.000	19.482	523,000
53, 54	0.485	59.000	0.192	258.000	0.822	258.000	2.257	59.000	11.513	258.000
63, 64	0.344	64.000	0.123	210.000	0.525	210.000	1.598	64.000	7.357	210.000
73, 74	0.410	39.000	0.139	126.000	0.598	126,000	1.907	39.000	8.366	126.000
83, 84	0.528	59.000	0.190	257.000	0.816	257.000	2.456	59.000	11.428	257.000
Note 1	Maximum value liste	ed, whether right or	left side of ROW,							
Note 2	Amperage used in ca	elculation is maximu	m for selected condu	ctor type for 167 °F i	n Summer (per RUS B	ulletin 1724E-200, Ta	ible D-1).			

The calculated values of Electric Field ("EF" and units V/m) and Magnetic Field ("MF" and units mG) at the edge of the ROW actually decrease (with one exception) due to the voltage increase from 46kV to 138kV. This occurs at the current line load.

The table also provides the EMF information at the expected line load in ten (10) years' time. A comparison of the results for 46kV and 138kV is given. Again, the higher voltage actually reduces the EF's magnitude.

Finally, the values for EF and MF are given for the maximum current (Amps) possible, at the existing voltage/conductor and the proposed voltage/conductor. This load is far beyond the Cooperative's expected load and is therefore provided for comparison only.

B. If the Applicant is of the opinion that no significant health effects will result from the construction and operation of the line, describe in detail the reasons for that opinion and provide references or citations to supporting documentation.

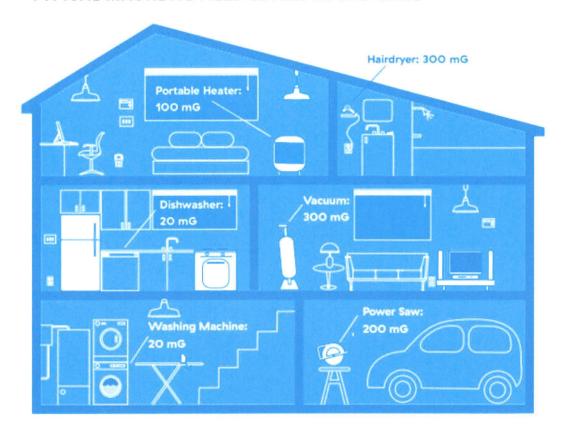
Response:

The calculated levels of Electric Field and Magnetic Field at the ROW edge are similar to or below the levels generated by household electronics and are therefore considered safe. Figures 1 and 2 below, excerpts from the booklet "Understanding Electric and Magnetic Fields" by BC Hydro, provide illustration.¹ The distance from the source for the measurement is noted below each figure.

Figure 1: Typical Magnetic Field Levels in the Home

 $^{{}^{1}\}underline{https://www.bchydro.com/content/dam/BCHydro/customerportal/documents/corporate/safety/understanding-emf-booklet.pdf.}$

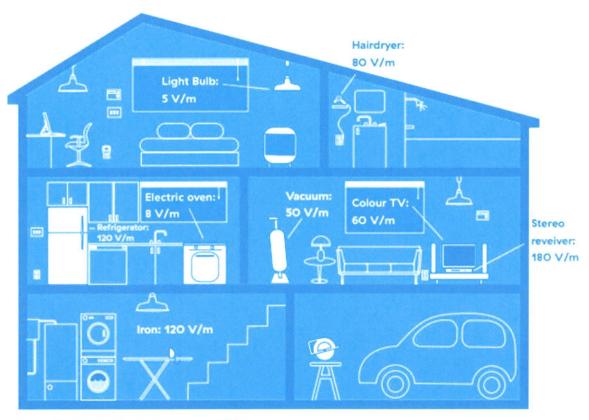
TYPICAL MAGNETIC FIELD LEVELS IN THE HOME



Source: EMF in your Environment, U.S. Protection Agency, 1992. All measurements were taken 15cm from the sources.

Figure 2: Typical Electric Field Levels in the Home

TYPICAL ELECTRIC FIELD LEVELS IN THE HOME



Source: World Health Organization, accessed 2016 All measurements were taken at 30 cm from source.

- C. Describe and cite any research studies on EMF the Applicant is aware of that meet the following criteria:
 - 1. Became available for consideration since the completion of the Virginia Department of Health's most recent review of studies on EMF and its subsequent report to the Virginia General Assembly in compliance with 1985 Senate Joint Resolution No. 126;
 - 2. Include findings regarding EMF that have not been reported previously and/or provide substantial additional insight into findings; and
 - 3. Have been subjected to peer review.

Response:

CVEC is not aware of EMF studies regarding EMF that have not been reported previously and/or provide substantial additional insight into findings.

For additional information on EMF exposure, *see* https://www.bchydro.com/content/dam/BCHydro/customerportal/documents/corporate/community/emf-booklet-web.pdf.

V. NOTICE

A. Furnish a proposed route description to be used for public notice purposes. Provide a map of suitable scale showing the route of the proposed project. For all routes that the Applicant proposes to be noticed, provide minimum, maximum and average structure heights.

Response:

A map showing the existing route to be used for the Gladstone Rebuild Project is provided as <u>Attachment V.A</u>. The proposed work on the transmission line begins at Gladstone substation, near the intersection of Spring Lane (Hwy 622) and Hwy 60. The line runs generally southeast, crossing the James River, to Tower Hill substation, near the intersection of Hwy 60 and Watt Abbitt Road (Hwy 654), approximately 6.33 miles. Maximum pole heights will be 88'-0", minimum pole heights will be 83'-6" and average pole heights will be 85'-0".

B. List Applicant offices where members of the public may inspect the application. If applicable, provide a link to website(s) where the application may be found.

Response:

Due to the on-going COVID-19 pandemic, CVEC offices remain closed to the public. The application may be viewed on the Cooperative's website at www.mycvec.com.

C. List all federal, state, and local agencies and/or officials that may reasonably be expected to have an interest in the proposed construction and to whom the Applicant has furnished or will furnish a copy of the application.

Response:

The following agency representatives may reasonably be expected to have an interest in the Gladstone Rebuild Project:

Flood Plains

Ms. Kate McManus, Regional Environmental Officer FEMA – Region III 615 Chestnut Street One Independence Mall, Sixth Floor Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19106-4404 (215) 931-5510

Wetlands

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Office of Environmental Impact Review
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Bettina.Rayfield@deq.virginia.gov

Prime and Unique Farmland

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Louisa, Virginia 23093
(540) 603-3204
kory.kirkland@ya.usda.gov

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163 Kabler Lane
Rustburg, Virginia 24588
(434) 266-3083
don.yancey@va.usda.gov

Waterways

Mr. Mark Eversole, Environmental Engineer Virginia Marine Resources
Habitat Management Division
2600 Washington Avenue, 3rd Floor
Newport News, Virginia 23607
(757) 247-8028
jpa.permits@mrc.virginia.gov

Fish & Wildlife – Endangered Species

Mr. Troy Andersen, Supervisory Fish & Wildlife Biologist U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Division of Ecological Services - Law Enforcement Division 6669 Short Lane Gloucester, Virginia 23061 (804) 824-2428 troy_andersen@fws.gov

Threatened & Endangered Species

Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries Permit Department Environmental Services Section Post Office Box 90778 Henrico, Virginia 23228 (804) 367-1000; Fax (804) 367-2427 ESSProjects@dgif.virginia.gov

Environmental Resources

Ms. Rene' Hypes, Project Review Manager Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation Natural Heritage Program Central Office – Aluminum Building 217 Governor Street Richmond, Virginia 23219 (804) 371-2708

Historical Resources

Mr. Roger Kirchen, Archaeologist Virginia Department of Historic Resources 2801 Kensington Avenue Richmond, Virginia 23221 (804) 367-2323

<u>Historical Resources / Federally-Recognized Tribes</u>

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Appomattox & Nelson Counties, Virginia
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<u>Historical Resources / Federally-Recognized Tribes</u>

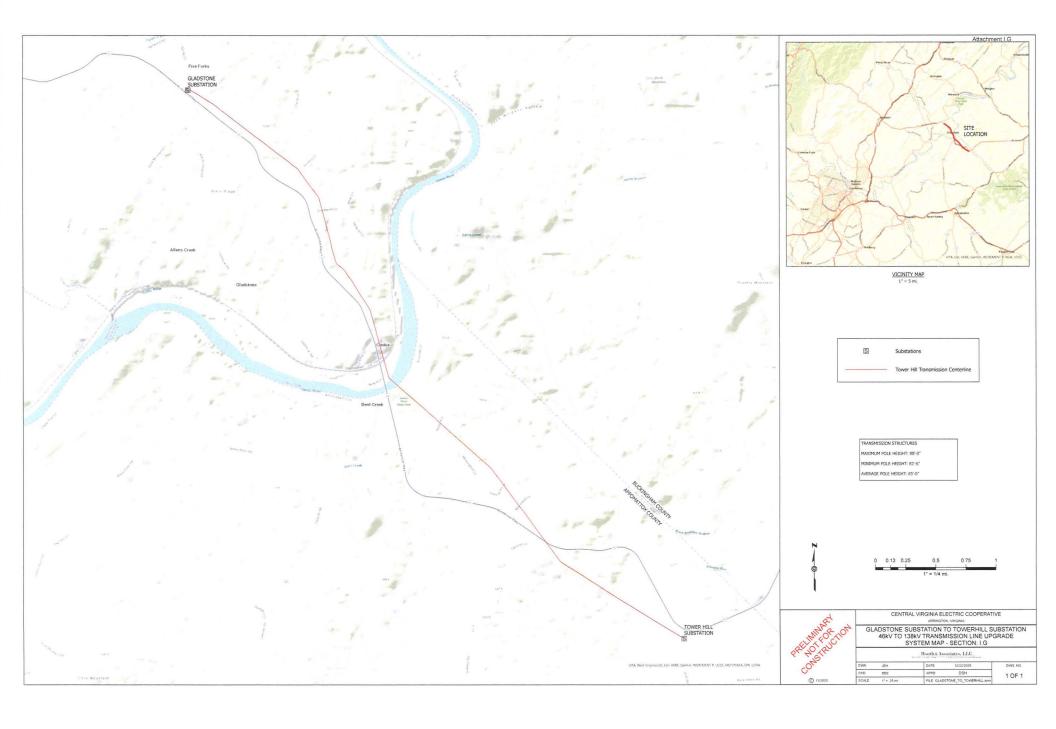
The Honorable Kenneth Branham, Chief, Monacan Indian Nation Monacan Indian Nation Post Office Box 960 Amherst, Virginia 24521 (434) 946-0389 Appomattox & Nelson Counties, Virginia mnation538@aol.com

D. If the application is for a transmission line with a voltage of 138 kV or greater, provide a statement and any associated correspondence indicating that prior to the filing of the application with the SCC the Applicant has notified the chief administrative officer of every locality in which it plans to undertake construction of the proposed line of its intention to file such an application, and that the Applicant gave the locality a reasonable opportunity for consultation about the proposed line (similar to the requirements of § 15.2-2202 of the Code for electric transmission lines of 150 kV or more).

Response:

In accordance with §14.2-2202 E of the Virginia Code, the Cooperative sent letters to the Appomattox and Nelson County Administrators. These letters are included as Attachment V.D.

Attachments to Appendix



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Altitude:

-0.4m

Date taken:

Aug 15, 2019 10:41:18 PM

Heading:

North (359.4°)

Position:

37.5315846, -78.8177049

User tags:

T5-54 T5



For a more detailed overview go to app.scopito.com/#/inspection/10102?image=3041934



841980 Severity: 3 Woodpecker damage

& Remedy action:

The damage needs to be repaired or protected against further damage.

Curtis Marshall:

The inspection detected pronounced woodpecker or other boring bird damage on the pole or other wood structure components.



841981 Severity: 5 Woodpecker damage

Curtis Marshall:

The inspection detected pronounced woodpecker or other boring bird damage on the pole or other wood structure components.

CVEC-70 Mile Inspection

Attachment I.L.2

File name:

T5-71_4.JPG

Altitude:

37.8m

Date taken:

Aug 16, 2019 12:21:42 AM

Heading:

Northwest (304.8°)

Position:

37.5181546, -78.8030373

User tags:

T5-71 T5



For a more detailed overview go to app.scopito.com/#/inspection/10102?image=3042097





833028 Severity: 3 Woodpecker damage

& Remedy action:

The damage needs to be repaired or protected against further damage.

Dennis Delk:

The inspection detected pronounced woodpecker or other boring bird damage on the pole or other wood structure components.

CVEC-70 Mile Inspection

Attachment I.L.3

File name: T5-78_5.JPG Altitude: -28.2m

Date taken: Aug 16, 2019 1:41:49 AM Heading: Southeast (154.09998°)

Position: 75-78 T5 Vser tags: 75-78 T5



For a more detailed overview go to app.scopito.com/#/inspection/10102?image=3042089



833026 Severity: 3 Woodpecker damage

& Remedy action:

The damage needs to be repaired or protected against further damage.

Dennis Delk:

The inspection detected pronounced woodpecker or other boring bird damage on the pole or other wood structure components.

File name: T5-6_6.JPG Altitude: 10.3m

Date taken: Aug 15, 2019 4:46:22 PM Heading: East (103°)

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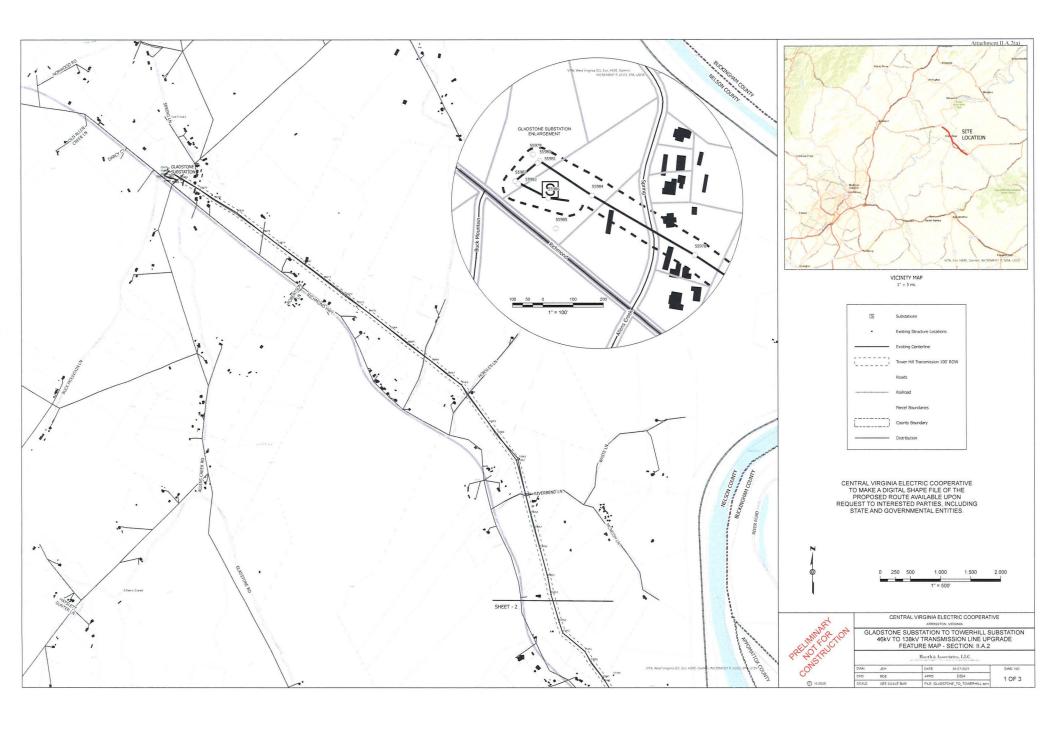
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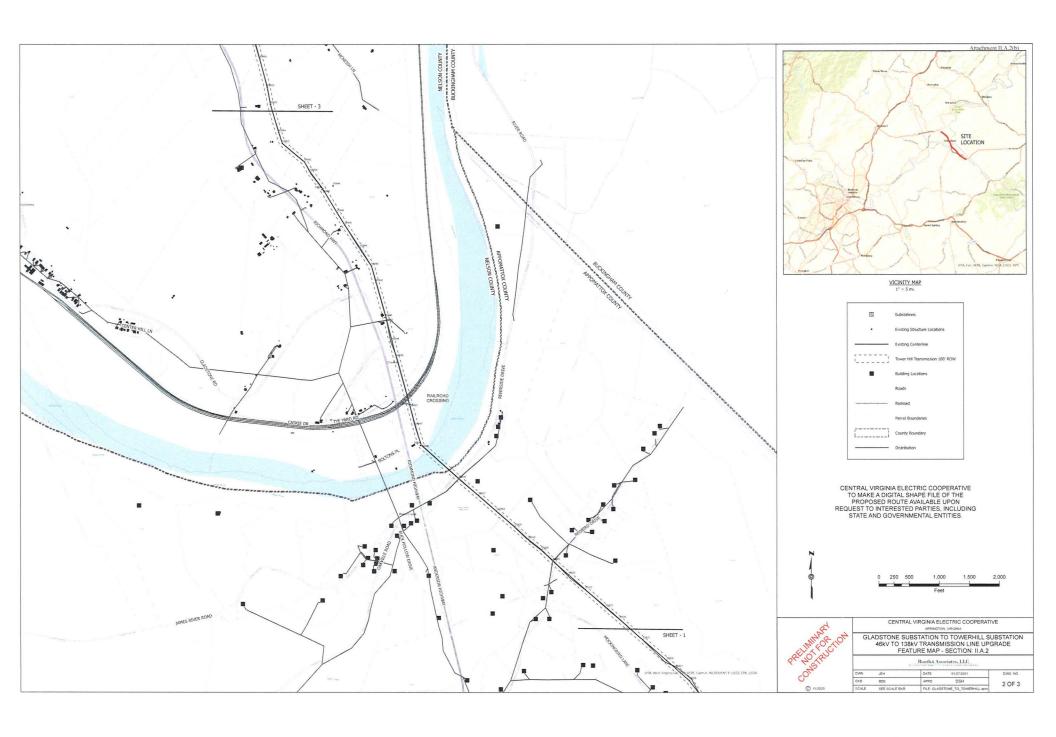
& Remedy action:

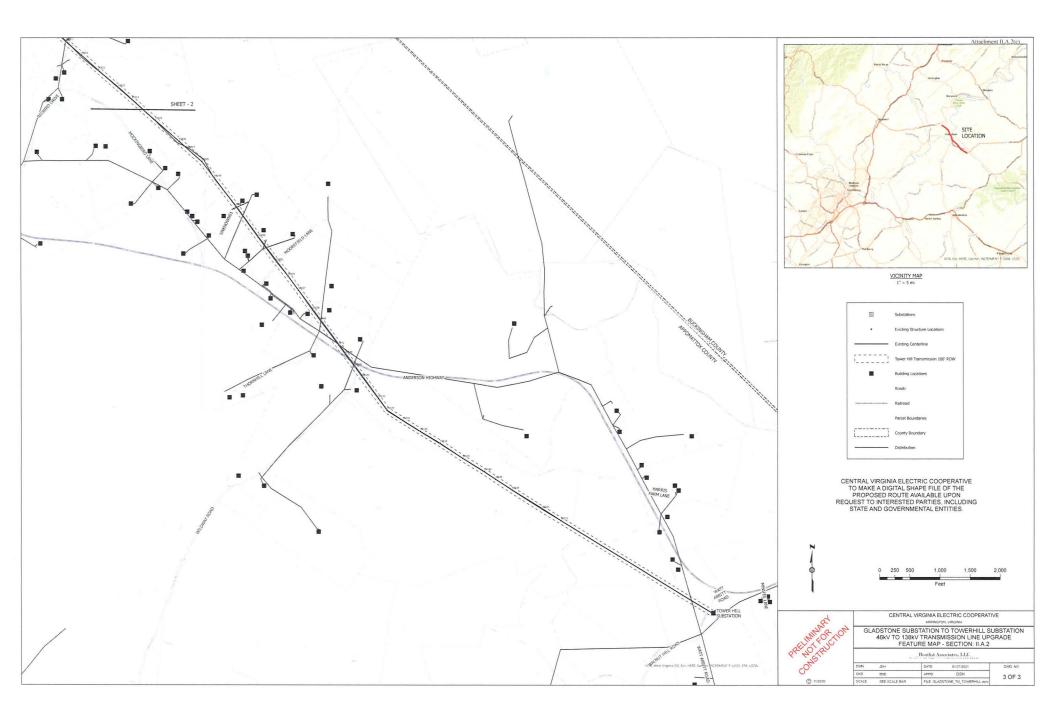
The damage needs to be repaired or protected against further damage.

Dennis Delk:

The inspection detected pronounced woodpecker or other boring bird damage on the pole or other wood structure components.





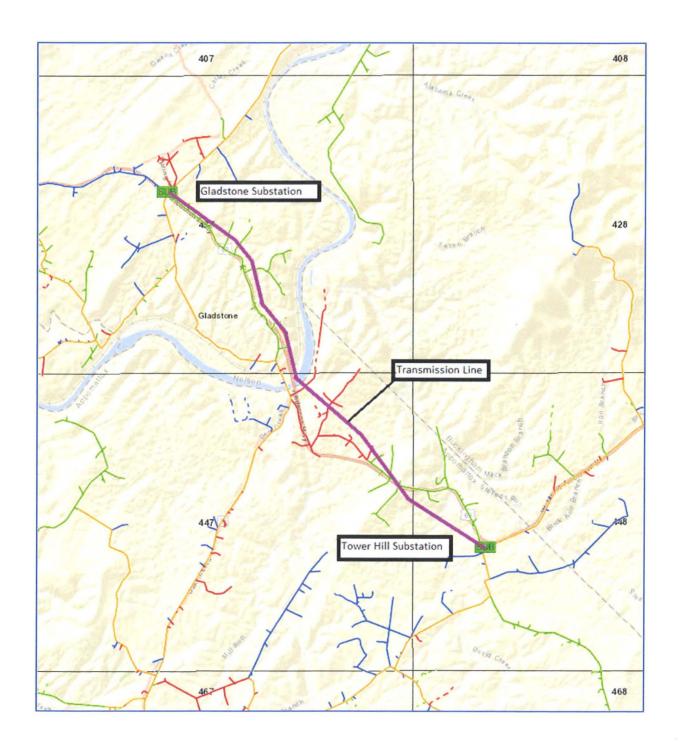


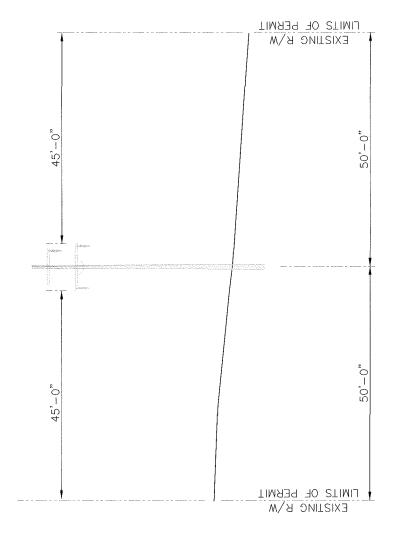
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Gladstone to Tower Hill

Purple - Transmission

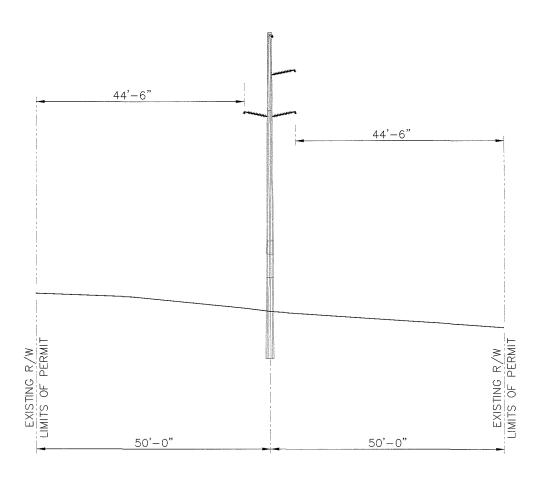
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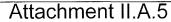




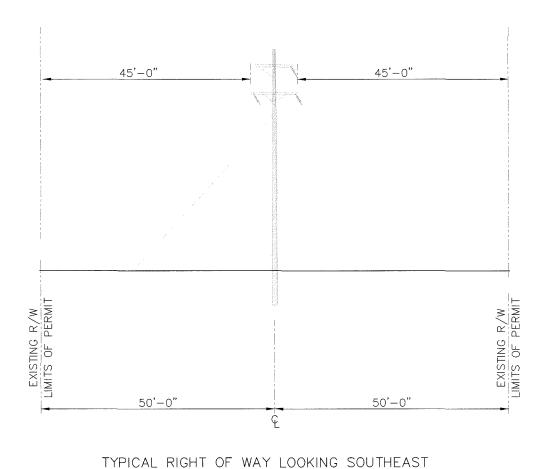
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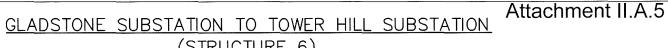
GLADSTONE SUBSTATION TO TOWER HILL SUBSTATION (STRUCTURE 5) PROPOSED CONFIGURATION



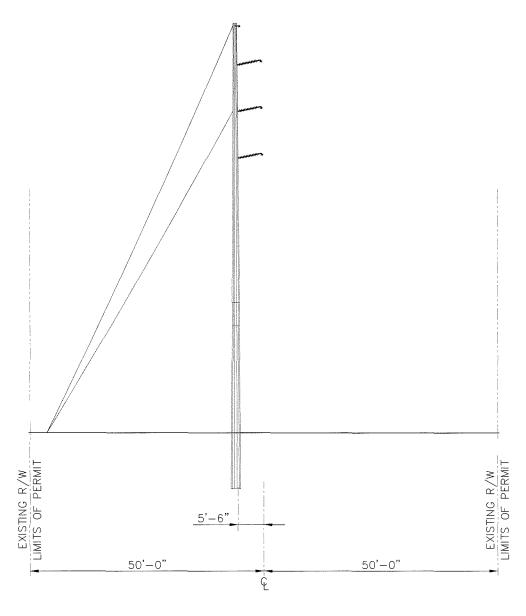


GLADSTONE SUBSTATION TO TOWER HILL SUBSTATION (STRUCTURE 6) EXISTING CONFIGURATION





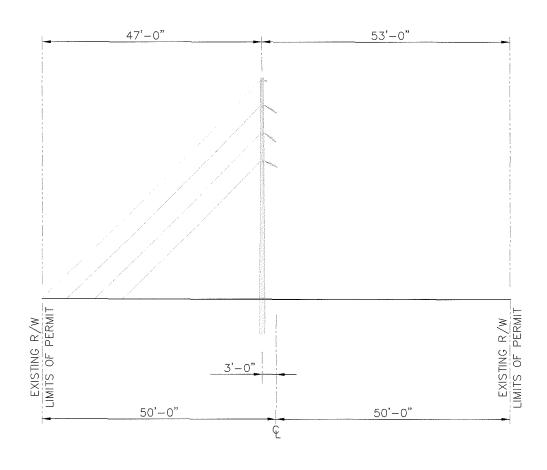
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PROPOSED CONFIGURATION



TYPICAL RIGHT OF WAY LOOKING SOUTHEAST

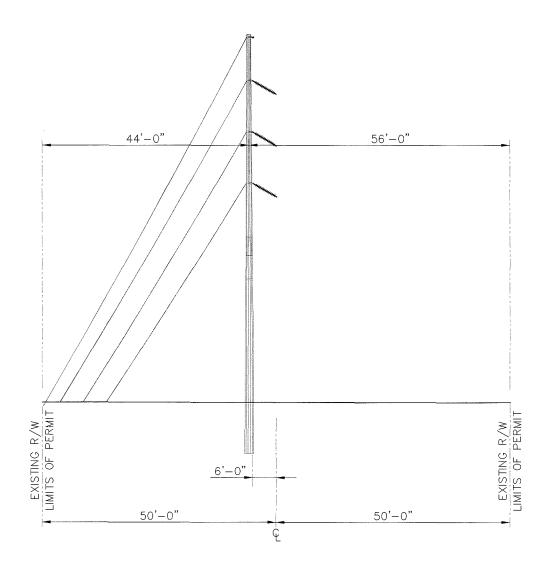
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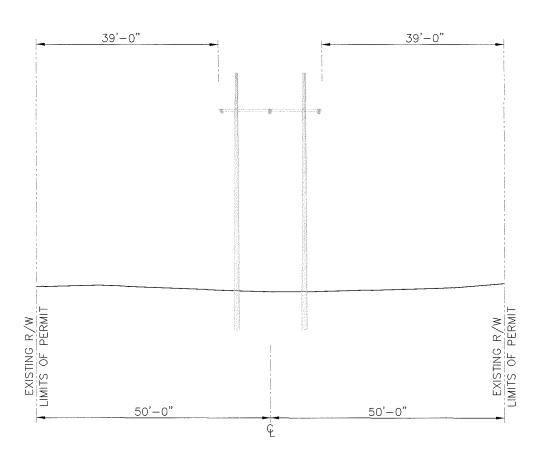
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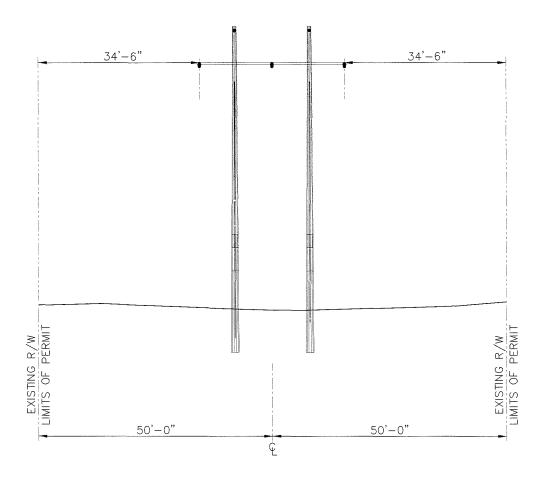
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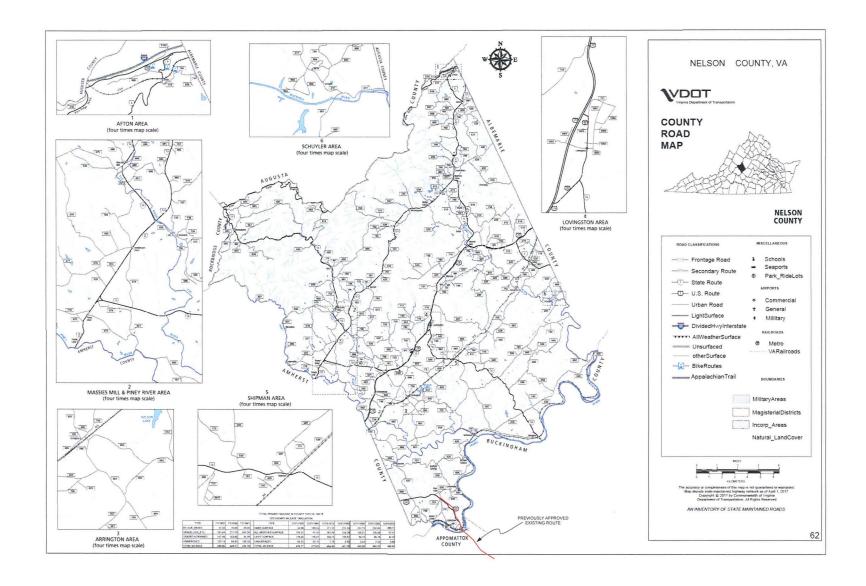
GLADSTONE SUBSTATION TO TOWER HILL SUBSTATION (STRUCTURE 43) EXISTING CONFIGURATION

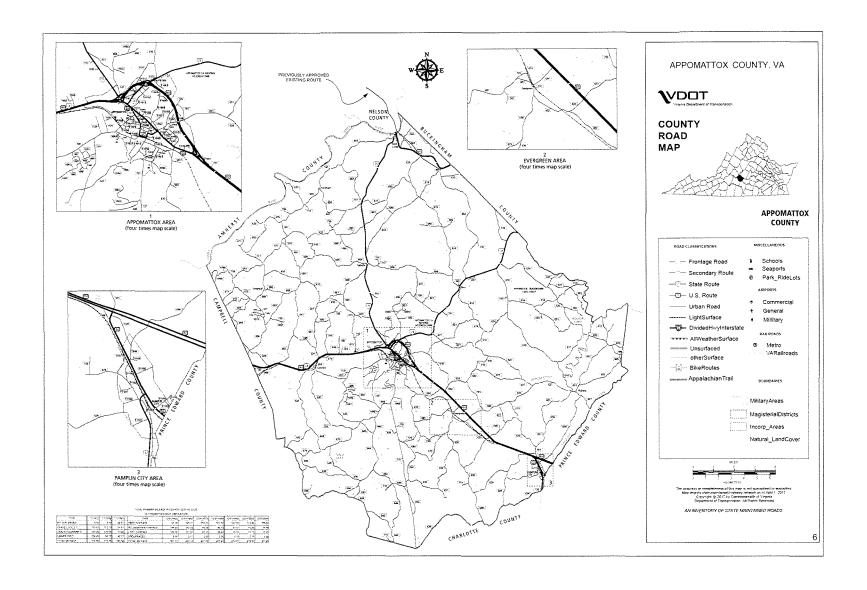


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GLADSTONE SUBSTATION TO TOWER HILL SUBSTATION (STRUCTURE 43) PROPOSED CONFIGURATION





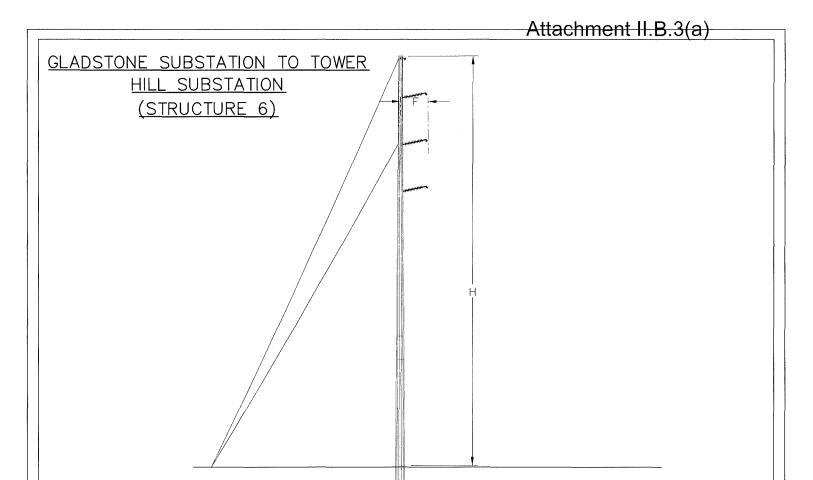


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GLADSTONE SUBSTATION TO TOWER HILL SUBSTATION (STRUCTURE 5)

SINGLE CIRCUIT SINGLE POLE MODIFIED DELTA CONFIGURATION TANGENT

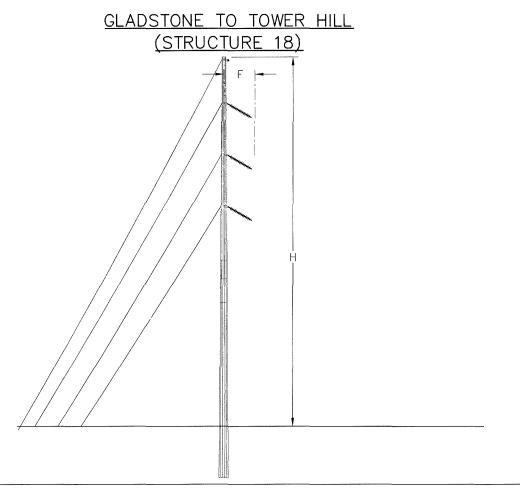
- A. MAPPING OF THE ROUTE: SEE ATTACHMENT I.G "SYSTEM MAP"
- B. RATIONALE FOR STRUCTURE TYPE: TANGENT DELTA CONFIGURATION, WITH RAISED LOWEST PHASE IN ORDER TO FACILITATE HOT-LINE REBUILD (TP-138(M))
- C. LENGTH OF R/W (STRUCTURE QTY.): 4.77 MILES (QTY: 68)
- D. STRUCTURE MATERIAL: WEATHERING STEEL OR DUCTILE IRON
 RATIONALE FOR MATERIAL: BROWN METAL POLE, BEST PRICE OR LEAD TIME WILL BE SELECTED
- E. FOUNDATION MATERIAL: DIRECT EMBEDMENT WITH NATIVE SOIL OR ROCK BACKFILL AVERAGE FOUNDATION REVEAL: N/A
- F. AVERAGE WIDTH AT CROSSARM (INSULATOR POSTS): 11'-0"
- G. AVERAGE WIDTH AT BASE: 48" DIAMETER NATIVE SOIL OR ROCK BACKFILL
- H. MINIMUM STRUCTURE HEIGHT: 61'-0"
 - MAXIMUM STRUCTURE HEIGHT: 101'-6"
 - AVERAGE STRUCTURE HEIGHT: 70'-6"
- I. AVERAGE SPAN LENGTH (RANGE): 370'-0" (216'-600')
- J. MINIMUM CONDUCTOR-TO-GROUND: 25'-0"
- NOTE: 1. INFORMATION CONTAINED ON DRAWING IS PRELIMINARY IN NATURE AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE DURING FINAL DESIGN.
 - 2. STRUCTURE HEIGHTS ARE MEASURED FROM STRUCTURE CENTERLINE.
 - 3. ALTERNATE CONSTRUCTION MEANS ARE BEING INVESTIGATED IN ORDER TO REDUCE POLE HEIGHTS.



SINGLE CIRCUIT SINGLE POLE VERTICAL CONFIGURATION STACKED POST ANGLE

- A. MAPPING OF THE ROUTE: SEE ATTACHMENT I.G "SYSTEM MAP"
- B. RATIONALE FOR STRUCTURE TYPE: STACKED POST ANGLE CONFIGURATION, USED FOR LINE ANGLES UP TO 15 DEGREES (TP-138-B2)
- C. LENGTH OF R/W (STRUCTURE): 0.25 MILES (QTY: 3)
- D. STRUCTURE MATERIAL: WEATHERING STEEL OR DUCTILE IRON RATIONALE FOR MATERIAL: BROWN METAL POLE, BEST PRICE OR LEAD TIME WILL BE SELECTED
- E. FOUNDATION MATERIAL: DIRECT EMBEDMENT WITH NATIVE SOIL OR ROCK BACKFILL AVERAGE FOUNDATION REVEAL: N/A
- F. AVERAGE WIDTH AT CROSSARM (INSULATOR POSTS): 6'-0"
- G. AVERAGE WIDTH AT BASE: 48" DIAMETER NATIVE SOIL OR ROCK BACKFILL
- H. MINIMUM STRUCTURE HEIGHT: 83'-6"
 - MAXIMUM STRUCTURE HEIGHT: 88'-0"
 - AVERAGE STRUCTURE HEIGHT: 85'-0"
- I. AVERAGE SPAN LENGTH (RANGE): 446' (307'-521')
- J. MINIMUM CONDUCTOR-TO-GROUND: 25'-0"
- NOTE: 1. INFORMATION CONTAINED ON DRAWING IS PRELIMINARY IN NATURE AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE DURING FINAL DESIGN.
 - 2. STRUCTURE HEIGHTS ARE MEASURED FROM STRUCTURE CENTERLINE.
 - 3. ALTERNATE CONSTRUCTION MEANS ARE BEING INVESTIGATED IN ORDER TO REDUCE POLE HEIGHTS.

Attachment II.B.3(a)



SINGLE CIRCUIT SINGLE POLE VERTICAL RUNNING ANGLE STRUCTURE

- A. MAPPING OF THE ROUTE: SEE ATTACHMENT I.G "SYSTEM MAP"
- B. RATIONALE FOR STRUCTURE TYPE: SUSPENSION INSULATOR RUNNING ANGLE, FOR LINE ANGLES UP TO 50 DEGREES (TS-4G)
- C. LENGTH OF R/W STRUCTURE: 0.31 MILES (QTY: 5)
- D. STRUCTURE MATERIAL: WEATHERING STEEL OR DUCTILE IRON RATIONALE FOR MATERIAL: BROWN METAL POLE, BEST PRICE OR LEAD TIME WILL BE SELECTED
- E. FOUNDATION MATERIAL: DIRECT EMBEDMENT WITH NATIVE SOIL OR ROCK BACKFILL AVERAGE FOUNDATION REVEAL: N/A
- F. AVERAGE WIDTH AT CROSSARM (INSULATOR SWING): 5'-0"
- G. AVERAGE WIDTH AT BASE: 48" DIAMETER NATIVE SOIL OR ROCK BACKFILL
- H. MINIMUM STRUCTURE HEIGHT: 79'-0"
 - MAXIMUM STRUCTURE HEIGHT: 97'-0"
 - AVERAGE STRUCTURE HEIGHT: 87'-2"
- I. AVERAGE SPAN LENGTH (RANGE): 327' (199'-562')
- J. MINIMUM CONDUCTOR-TO-GROUND: 25'-0"
- NOTE: 1. INFORMATION CONTAINED ON DRAWING IS PRELIMINARY IN NATURE AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE DURING FINAL DESIGN.
 - 2. STRUCTURE HEIGHTS ARE MEASURED FROM STRUCTURE CENTERLINE.
 - 3. ALTERNATE CONSTRUCTION MEANS ARE BEING INVESTIGATED IN ORDER TO REDUCE POLE HEIGHTS.

Attachment II.B.3(a)

GLADSTONE SUBSTATION TO TOWER HILL SUBSTATION (STRUCTURE 43)

SINGLE-CIRCUIT TWO-POLE DEADEND STRUCTURE, TANGENT

- A. MAPPING OF THE ROUTE: SEE ATTACHMENT I.G "SYSTEM MAP"
- B. RATIONALE FOR STRUCTURE TYPE: TWO-POLE HORIZONAL DEADEND, TANGENT, USED AT THE LOCATION OF EXISTING TWO-POLE HORIZONTAL DEADENDS (TH-138)
- C. LENGTH OF R/W STRUCTURE: 0.97 MILES (QTY: 10)
- D. STRUCTURE MATERIAL: WEATHERING STEEL OR DUCTILE IRON RATIONALE FOR MATERIAL: BROWN METAL POLE, BEST PRICE OR LEAD TIME WILL BE SELECTED
- E. FOUNDATION MATERIAL: DIRECT EMBEDMENT WITH NATIVE SOIL OR ROCK BACKFILL AVERAGE FOUNDATION REVEAL: N/A
- F. AVERAGE WIDTH AT CROSSARM: 32'-0"
- G. AVERAGE WIDTH AT BASE: 48" DIAMETER NATIVE SOIL OR ROCK BACKFILL
- H. MINIMUM STRUCTURE HEIGHT: 52'-0"

MAXIMUM STRUCTURE HEIGHT: 72'-0"

AVERAGE STRUCTURE HEIGHT: 61'-6"

- I. AVERAGE SPAN LENGTH (RANGE): 510' (297'-972')
- J. MINIMUM CONDUCTOR-TO-GROUND: 25'-0"
- NOTE: 1. INFORMATION CONTAINED ON DRAWING IS PRELIMINARY IN NATURE AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE DURING FINAL DESIGN.
 - 2. STRUCTURE HEIGHTS ARE MEASURED FROM STRUCTURE CENTERLINE.
 - 3. ALTERNATE CONSTRUCTION MEANS ARE BEING INVESTIGATED IN ORDER TO REDUCE POLE HEIGHTS.

Proposed

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Approximate Structure
Height (ft)

Existing

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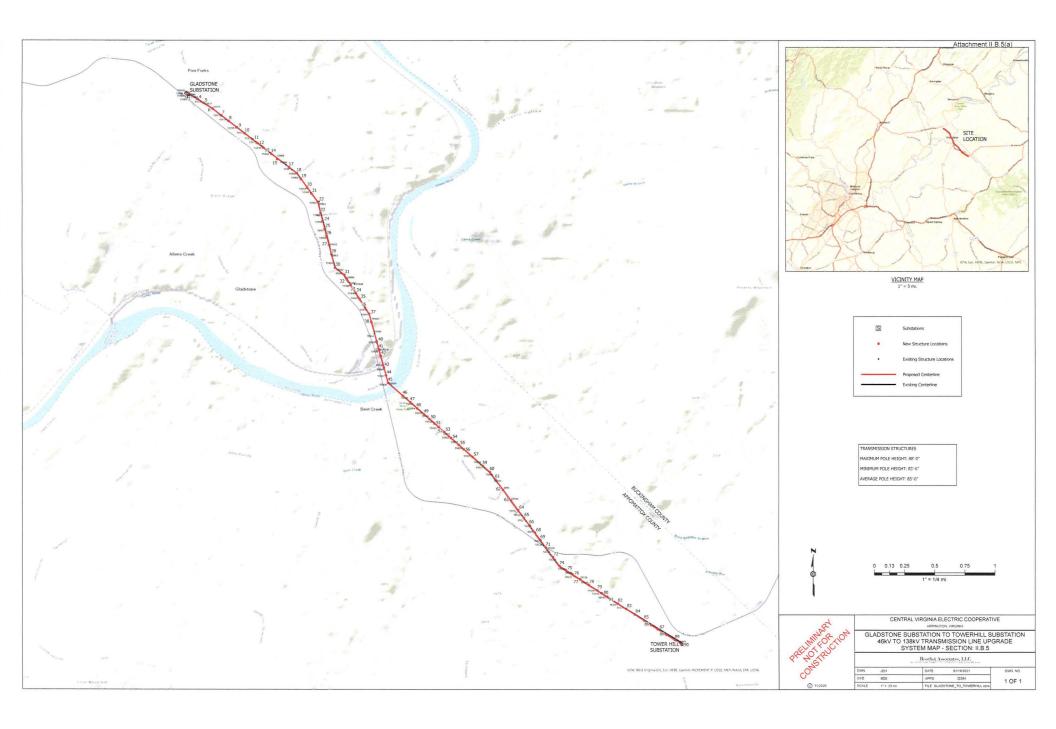
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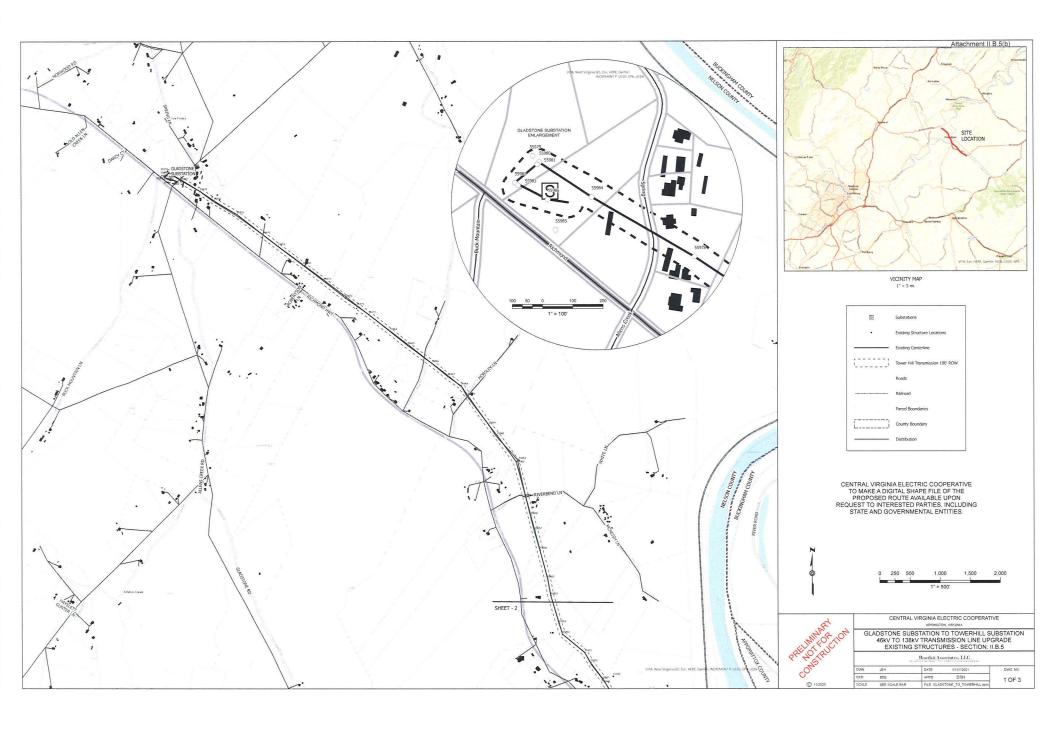
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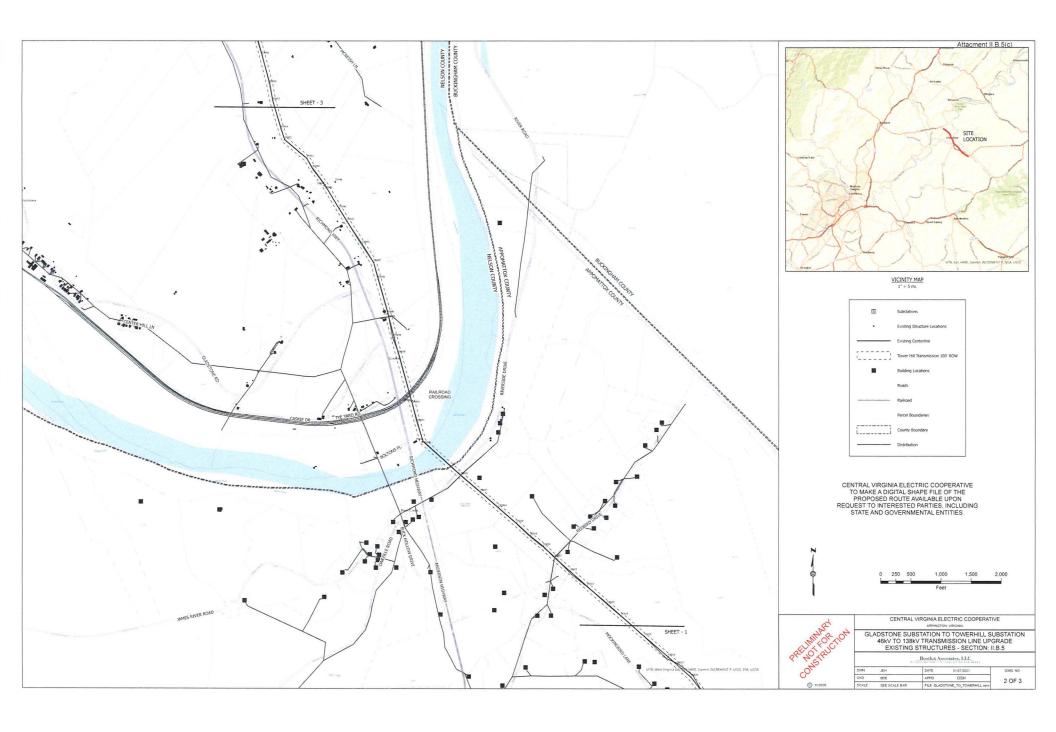
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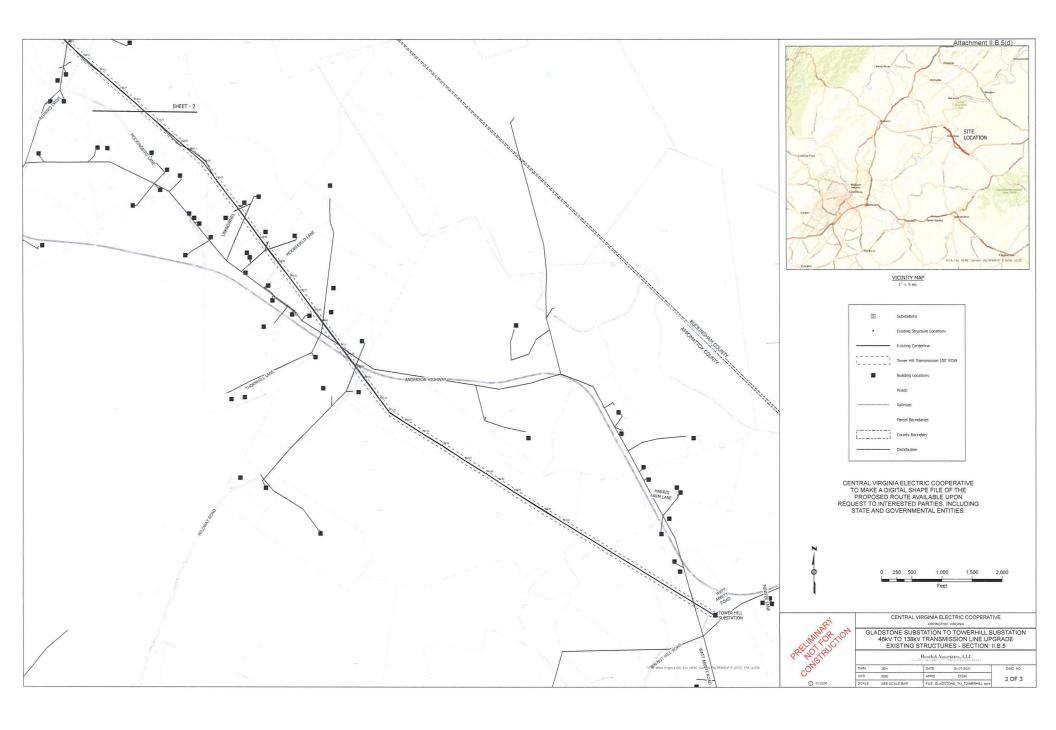
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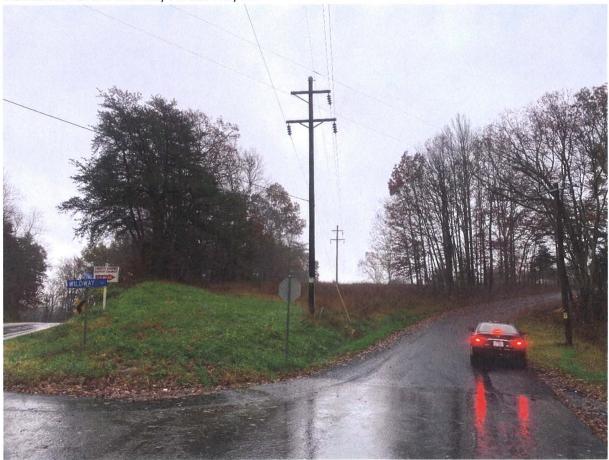












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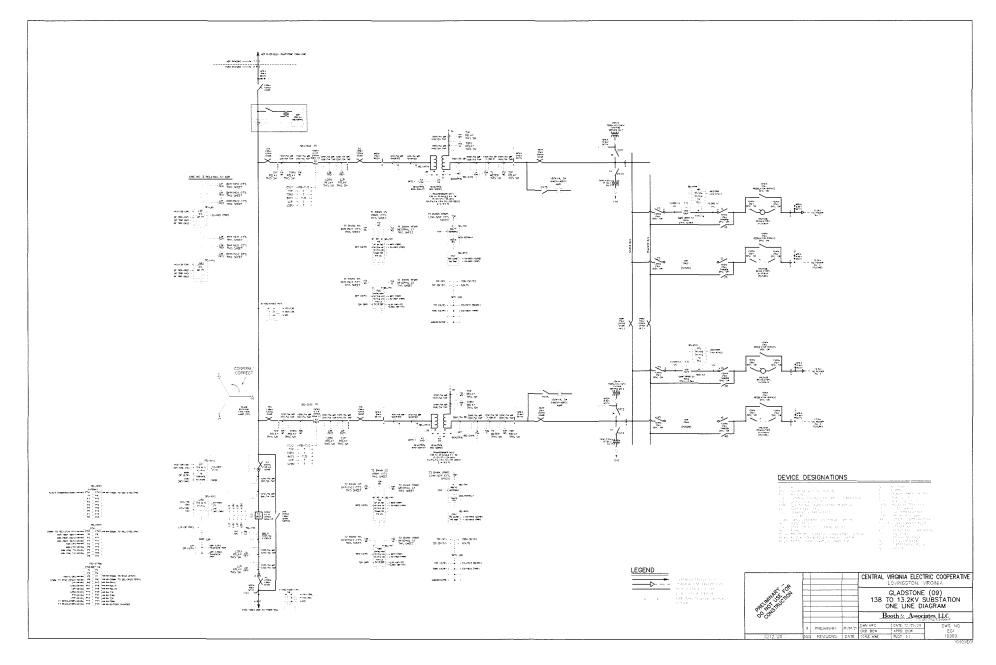


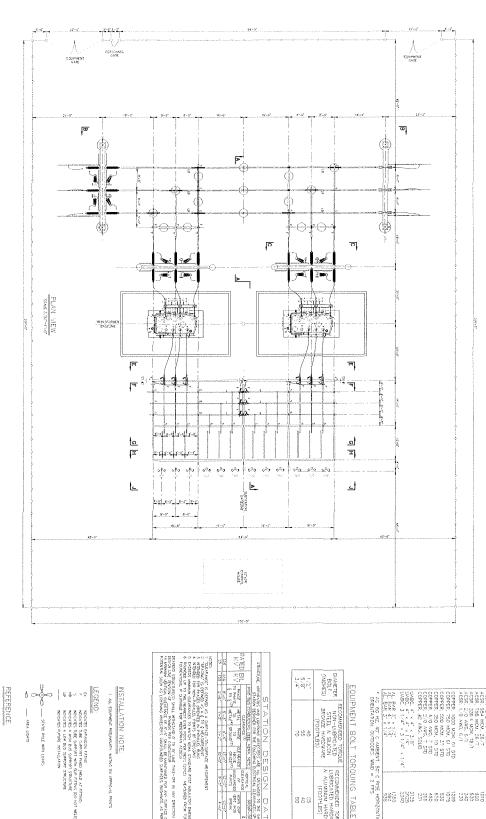
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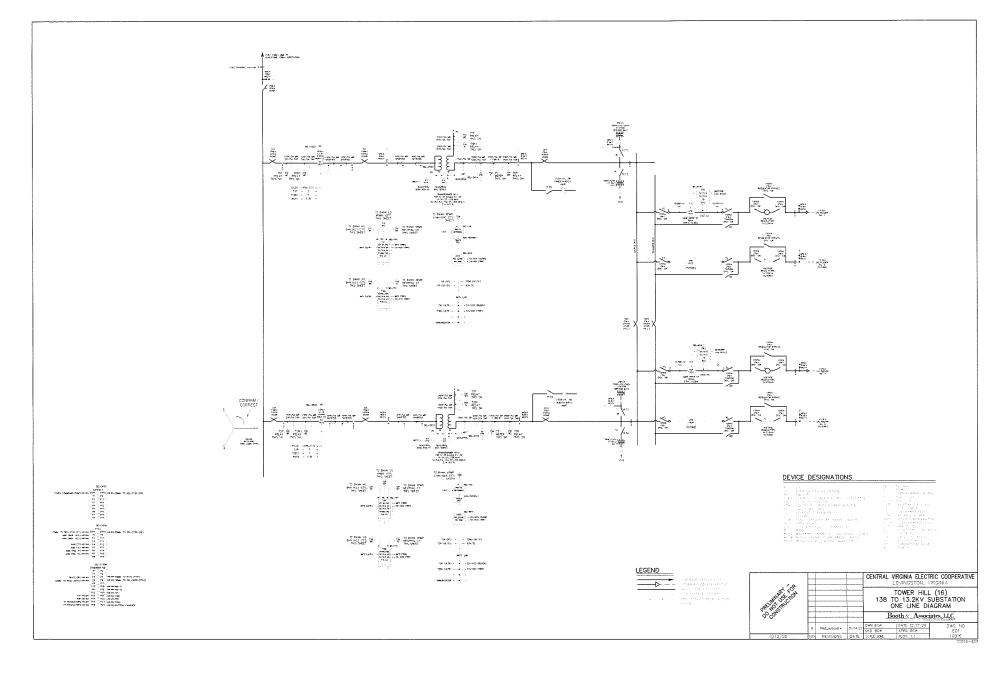
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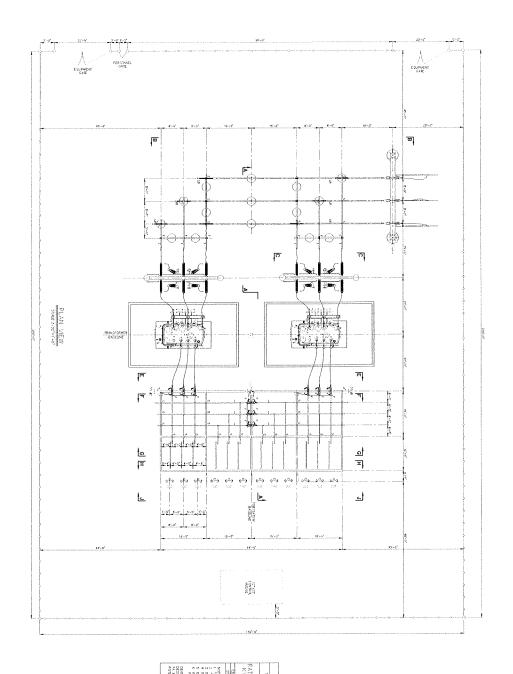






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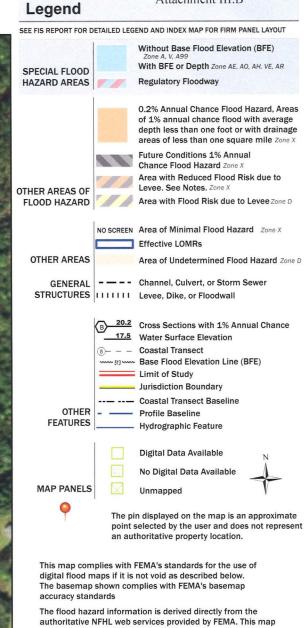




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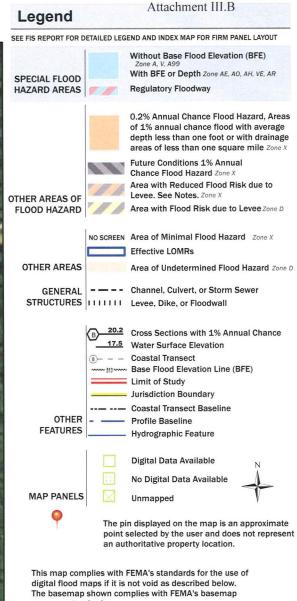
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To Whom It May Concern:

The enclosed species list identifies threatened, endangered, proposed and candidate species, as well as proposed and final designated critical habitat, that may occur within the boundary of your proposed project and/or may be affected by your proposed project. The species list fulfills the requirements of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) under section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act (Act) of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*). Any activity proposed on National Wildlife Refuge lands must undergo a 'Compatibility Determination' conducted by the Refuge. Please contact the individual Refuges to discuss any questions or concerns.

New information based on updated surveys, changes in the abundance and distribution of species, changed habitat conditions, or other factors could change this list. Please feel free to contact us if you need more current information or assistance regarding the potential impacts to federally proposed, listed, and candidate species and federally designated and proposed critical habitat. Please note that under 50 CFR 402.12(e) of the regulations implementing section 7 of the Act, the accuracy of this species list should be verified after 90 days. This verification can be completed formally or informally as desired. The Service recommends that verification be completed by visiting the ECOS-IPaC website at regular intervals during project planning and implementation for updates to species lists and information. An updated list may be requested through the ECOS-IPaC system by completing the same process used to receive the enclosed list.

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Project Summary

Consultation Code: 05E2VA00-2021-SLI-1022

Event Code:

05E2VA00-2021-E-02910

Project Name:

521_Gladstone Sub Rebuild_CVEC

Project Type:

** OTHER **

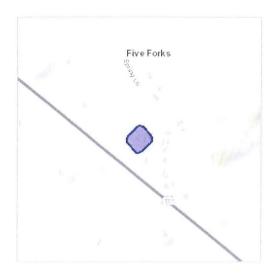
Project Description: The rebuild of the Gladstone Substation is necessary to support the

incoming 138 kV AEP Transmission. The substation will be rebuilt on an

adjacent 1.2 acre location, owned by the Cooperative.

Project Location:

Approximate location of the project can be viewed in Google Maps: https:// www.google.com/maps/place/37.572956049093726N78.8569074882231W



Counties: Nelson, VA

Endangered Species Act Species

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Mammals

NAME STATUS

Northern Long-eared Bat Myotis septentrionalis

Threatened

No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9045

Critical habitats

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December 08, 2020

In Reply Refer To:

Consultation Code: 05E2VA00-2021-SLI-1027

Event Code: 05E2VA00-2021-E-02923

Project Name: 1006_Gladstone-TowerHill Trans Line_CVEC

Subject: List of threatened and endangered species that may occur in your proposed project

location, and/or may be affected by your proposed project

To Whom It May Concern:

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Project Summary

Consultation Code: 05E2VA00-2021-SLI-1027

Event Code:

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Project Name:

1006_Gladstone-TowerHill Trans Line_CVEC

Project Type:

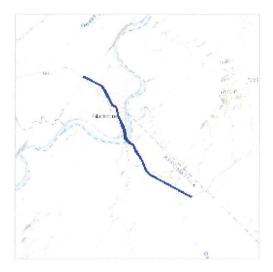
TRANSMISSION LINE

Project Description: The existing 6.4 mile Gladstone to Tower Hill 46 kV Transmission line

will be rebuilt to 138 kV, in place and within the existing 100 ft right-of-way. The rebuilt line will utilize steel poles with 400 - 450 ft spans.

Project Location:

Approximate location of the project can be viewed in Google Maps: https://www.google.com/maps/place/37.539699019766374N78.82739059267954W



Counties: Appomattox, VA | Nelson, VA

Endangered Species Act Species

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Mammals

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Flowering Plants

NAME	STATUS
Small Whorled Pogonia Isotria medeoloides	Threatened
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Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecn/species/1890	

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December 08, 2020

In Reply Refer To:

Consultation Code: 05E2VA00-2021-SLI-1025

Event Code: 05E2VA00-2021-E-02919

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Project Name:

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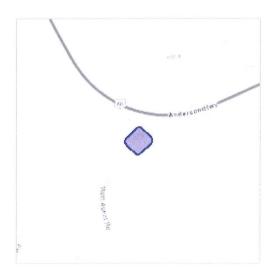
** OTHER **

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Project Location:

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Counties: Appomattox, VA

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HISTORIC RESOURCES

Architectural Survey Form

DHR ID: 006-0018 Other DHR ID: No Data

Property Information

Property Names

Name Explanation Historic/Current

Name Walnut Hill **Property Evaluation Status**

DHR Staff: Not Eligible

Property Addresses

Alternate - Route 615 Current - Walnut Hill Road

County/Independent City(s):

Incorporated Town(s): Zip Code(s):

No Data $\lambda \alpha Dittet$

Magisterial District(s): Tax Parcel(s):

Vo Data

USGS Quad(s):

GLADSTONE

Appomattox (County)

Additional Property Information

Architecture Setting:

Acreage:

Va Dena

Site Description:

Located on north side of Walnut Hill Road (Rt 615), just southwest of it junction with Route 654 and also Route 60. The David Creek runs north and east of the house.

Surveyor Assessment:

"On an original land grant made to Thomas Jefferson."

Surveyor Recommendation:

Ownership

Ownership Category

Ownership Entity

Private

Primary Resource Information

Resource Category:

Domestic

Resource Type:

Single Dwelling

NR Resource Type:

Building

Historic District Status:

No Dato

Date of Construction:

Ca 1845

Date Source:

Owner

Historic Time Period:

Historic Context(s):

Antebellum Period (1830 - 1860) Domestic

Other ID Number:

Vo Data

Architectural Style:

Form: Number of Stories:

No Dula 2.0

Condition:

Interior Plan:

Good

Central Passage, Single Pile None

Architectural Description:

Architecture Summary: 3-bay facade

Exterior Components

Threats to Resource:

Component Windows

Component Type Sash, Double-Hung Material

Material Treatment

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Architectural Survey Form

DHR ID: 006-0018 Other DHR ID: No Data

Roof Chimneys Structural System and Exterior Treatment Gable, Side Interior End Masonry Asphalt Brick Brick Shingle Other Other

2-story Wood Removed/None

Secondary Resource Information

Historic District Information

Historic District Name: No Data
Local Historic District Name: No Data
Historic District Significance: No Data

CRM Events

Event Type: DHR Staff: Not Eligible

 DHR ID:
 006-0018

 Staff Name:
 DHR

 Event Date:
 3/5/1991

Staff Comment
No Data

Event Type: PIF

Project Review File Number: No Data

 Investigator:
 Sayre, Robert M.

 Organization/Company:
 Unknown (DSS)

Photographic Media:No DataSurvey Date:2/25/1991Dhr Library Report Number:No Data

Project Staff/Notes:

No Data

Event Type: Survey: HABS Inventory

Project Review File Number: No Dota

 Investigator:
 Newman, W.C.

 Organization/Company:
 Unknown (DSS)

 Photographic Media:
 No Data

 Survey Date:
 9/4/1957

 Dhr Library Report Number:
 No Data

Project Staff/Notes:

No Data

Bibliographic Information

Bibliography:

No Data

Property Notes:

No Data

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Architectural Survey Form

DHR ID: 006-0054 Other DHR ID: No Data

Property Information

Property Names

Name Explanation

Function/Location Current

Bridge #1007, Davis Creek, Route 60

Property Evaluation Status

DHR Staff: Not Eligible

Bridge #1007

Property Addresses Current - Route 60

County/Independent City(s):

Appomattox (County)

Incorporated Town(s): Zip Code(s):

No Data No Data

Magisterial District(s): Tax Parcel(s):

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USGS Quad(s):

GLADSTONE

Additional Property Information

Architecture Setting:

Rural

Acreage:

Vo Data

Site Description:

No Data

Surveyor Assessment:

No Data

Surveyor Recommendation:

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Ownership

Ownership Category Public - State

Ownership Entity

Primary Resource Information

Resource Category:

Transportation

Resource Type:

Bridge

NR Resource Type:

Structure

Historic District Status:

Va Data 1931

Date of Construction: **Date Source:**

Written Data

Historic Time Period:

World War I to World War II (1917 - 1945)

Historic Context(s):

Transportation/Communication

Other ID Number:

Vo Data

Architectural Style:

No Discernable Style

Form:

Vo Data

Number of Stories:

No Data Fair

Condition: Threats to Resource:

Deterioration

Architectural Description:

Architecture Summary: This is a three span 113 foot t-beam (104) bridge with cork railings.

Bridge Information

Structure Number:

1007

VDOT Bridge ID:

No Date

Entity Crossed Name:

David Creek

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Architectural Survey Form

DHR ID: 006-0054 Other DHR ID: No Data

Entity Crossed Type:WaterBridge Type:BeamCurrent Use:RoadNumber of Spans:3Number of Lanes:3

Secondary Resource Information

Historic District Information

Historic District Name: No Data
Local Historic District Name: No Data
Historic District Significance: No Data

CRM Events

Event Type: DHR Staff: Not Eligible

 DHR ID:
 006-0054

 Staff Name:
 HSTG

 Event Date:
 11/1/1995

Staff Comment

Reconfirmed, 2001-0635.

Event Type: Survey:Phase I/Reconnaissance

Project Review File Number: No Data Investigator: VTRC

Organization/Company:Unknown (DSS)Photographic Media:No Data

Survey Date: 7/14/1994
Dhr Library Report Number: Vo Dota

Project Staff/Notes:

No Data

Bibliographic Information

Bibliography:

No Data

Property Notes:

Name: Unknown

Company 1: Commonwealth of Virginia State: Virginia

Owner Relationship: Owner of property

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Architectural Survey Form

DHR ID: 006-5003 Other DHR ID: No Data

Property Information

Property Names

Name Explanation Name

Historic Wells Home H

Wells Home House

Property Addresses

- U.S. Route 60

County/Independent City(s): Appomattox (County)

Incorporated Town(s):\text{\text{\$\lambda\$}} \text{\text{\$\lambda\$}} \text{\t

USGS Quad(s):

GLADSTONE

Additional Property Information

Architecture Setting:

Rural

Acreage:

8.5

Site Description:

The property is a well-tended 8.5-acre rural parcel with a driveway, a prefabricated metal shed, and a tobacco barn.

The garage is immediately west of the main house. The tobacco barn is further west. The cemetery is northeast of the house.

Surveyor Assessment:

The house, called "The old Wells home house" in deeds dated 1943 and 1980, was evidently built ca. 1900 for Sarah and Alonza Wells. For many years it was the home of Whitcomb A. Wells and Early J. Wells his wife. The house is still owned by the Wells family. The house is a modest example of an extremely common Virginia house type. The property is marginally associated with the broad historic patterns of settlement and domestic architecture, and it does not convey significant information related to those patterns. The property is no longer part of a working farmstead. The house does not appear to have been associated with persons important in history. The house is a modest and significantly-altered example of an extremely common house type, neither distinctive nor illustrative. The property is unlikely to yield information significant in history or pre-history. No further evaluation of the property is recommended.

Property Evaluation Status

DHR Staff: Not Eligible

Surveyor Recommendation:

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Ownership

Ownership Category

Ownership Entity

Private

Na Data

Primary Resource Information

Resource Category:DomesticResource Type:Single DwellingNR Resource Type:BuildingHistoric District Status:No DataDate of Construction:Ca 1900Date Source:Deed

Historic Time Period:Reconstruction and Growth (1866 - 1916)Historic Context(s):Domestic, Funerary, Subsistence/Agriculture

Other ID Number: Na Data

Architectural Style: No Discernable Style

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Number of Stories: 2.0

Condition: Good

Threats to Resource: None Known

Architectural Description:

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Architectural Survey Form

DHR ID: 006-5003 Other DHR ID: No Data

Architecture Summary: The Wells Home House is a two-story frame residence, with a primary single-pile block and a two-story rear wing. The gable roofs are sheathed in asphalt shingles. The main wing has two exterior end chimneys; the chimneys are clad in stucco, and they appear to be of brick and stone construction. The rear wing has a single interior end chimney. On the front, a big modern enclosed porch or deck with a broad gable roof covers the original facade.

Exterior Components

Component Material **Material Treatment** Component Type Shingle Roof Asphalt Windows Sash, Double-Hung Wood 6/6 Chimneys Exterior End Brick Other Chimneys Interior End Brick Other Structural System and Frame Wood Veneer Exterior Treatment Structural System and Frame Wood Other Exterior Treatment Other Vo Data No Dato Porch

Porch Other Metal Cast Metal Supports

Secondary Resource Information

Secondary Resource #1

Resource Category:DomesticResource Type:GarageDate of Construction:1980CaDate Source:Map

Historic Time Period: The New Dominion (1946 - 1991)

Historic Context(s): Domestic, Funerary, Subsistence/Agriculture

Architectural Style: No Discernable Style

Form: No Data

Condition: Good

Threats to Resource: None Known

Architectural Description:

Architecture Summary: One-story prefabricated metal garage.

Number of Stories: No Data

Secondary Resource #2

Resource Category: Agriculture/Subsistence

Resource Type:Tobacco BarnDate of Construction:1900CaDate Source:No Data

Historic Time Period:Reconstruction and Growth (1866 - 1916)Historic Context(s):Domestic, Funerary, Subsistence/Agriculture

Architectural Style: No Discernable Style

Form: An Data
Condition: Poor
Threats to Resource: Neglect

Architectural Description:

Architecture Summary: This single-pen log barn is described as a tobacco barn in the deeds. The logs are V-notched. Random horizontal boards cover some of the logs. V-crimp metal roofing covers the gable roof.

Number of Stories: No Date

Secondary Resource #3

Resource Category:FuneraryResource Type:CemeteryDate of Construction:CaDate Source:Na Data

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DHR ID: 006-5003 Other DHR ID: No Data

Historic Time Period: Reconstruction and Growth (1866 - 1916) Historic Context(s): Domestic, Funerary, Subsistence/Agriculture

Vo Data Architectural Style: Form: No Data Condition: Vo Data Threats to Resource: $\lambda o Data$

Architectural Description:

No Data

Current Use: No Data **Historic Religious Affilitation:** Vo Data **Ethnic Affiliation:** No Dara Has Marked Graves: No Data Has Unmarked Graves: Na Data **Enclosure Type:** Vo Data **Number Of Gravestones:** No Duta Earliest Marked Death Year: \o Data Latest Marked Death Year: No Data

Historic District Information

Historic District Name: Vo Data **Local Historic District Name:** So Data Historic District Significance: $\lambda a Data$

CRM Events

Event Type: DHR Staff: Not Eligible

DHR ID: 006-5003 Staff Name: Metz, Cara 4/11/2001 **Event Date:**

Staff Comment No Data

Event Type: Survey: Phase I/Reconnaissance

2001-0635 **Project Review File Number:** Investigator: Wells, John Organization/Company: Unknown (DSS)

Photographic Media: Survey Date: 3/1/2001 **Dhr Library Report Number:** Vo Data

Project Staff/Notes: VDOT PPMS 16038

Project Bibliographic Information:

Record Type: Deed Bibliographic Notes: This land was owned by Jno. R. Phelps in the late 19th century. (Appomattox County does not have land records earlier than 1891.) Deed Book 7, p. 425 (Oct. 3, 1901) describes the sale of the land from the heirs of Jno. R. Phelps (deed.) to S. E. Wells and W. A. Wells, noting that this is the "same land on which the said Wells now resides." The sale appears to have been delayed; in the 1908 county Land Book, the land is under the name of S. P. Coleman, trustee for W. Phelps, and the property (363 acres) has buildings assessed at \$300. (This assessment was in the middle range of county property assessments for the time; few properties had improvement assessments as high at \$1,000.) County Deed Book 11, p. 428 (December 7, 1909): J. W. Phelps et al. convey to W. A. Wells and Early J. Wells 363 acres, land on which Sarah and Alonza Wells have resided for years. Sarah and Alonza Wells retain life tenancy in the house. The 1916 land book shows W.

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A. and Early J. Wells (white) in possession of the 363-acre parcel on David Creek; the improvements are still assessed at \$300. Further deed citations: DB 42, p. 248, 1943; DB 147, p. 64, 1980; and DB 169, p. 175, 1987, by which 8.5 acres, with a house and tobacco barn, on the north side of U.S. Route 60, are sold by Katie Coleman Wells Williams & Ferris E. Williams to Lloyd Dale Wells, the current property owner.

Bibliographic Information

Bibliography:

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Property Notes:

No Data

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Archaeological Site Record

DHR ID: 44NE0001

Snapshot Date Generated: January 14, 2021

Site Name: No Data

Site Classification: Terrestrial, open air

Year(s): No Data
Site Type(s): No Data
Other DHR ID: No Data
Temporary Designation: No Data

Site Evaluation Status

Not Evaluated

Locational Information

USGS Quad: GLADSTONE
County/Independent City: Nelson (County)
Physiographic Province: Blue Ridge
Elevation: 713
Aspect: Flat

Drainage:James RiverSlope:0 - 2Acreage:0.080Landform:UrbanOwnership Status:No DataGovernment Entity Name:No Data

Site Components

Component 1

Category:No DataSite Type:No DataCultural Affiliation:No DataDHR Time Period:No DataStart Year:No DataEnd Year:No DataComments:No Data

Bibliographic Information

Bibliography:

No Data

Informant Data:

No Daia

Archaeological Site Record

DHR ID: 44NE0001

CRM Events

Event Type: Survey:Phase I/Reconnaissance

Project Staff/Notes:

No Data

No Data **Project Review File Number:** Sponsoring Organization: No Dara

Organization/Company: Unknown (DSS) Investigator: MacCord, Sr, Howard A.

Survey Date: 10/19/1963

Survey Description:

Surface materials collected. Additional materials excavated fro 24 5' squares.

Current Land Use Date of Use

Agricultural field Under cultivation through summer of 1963

Threats to Resource: No Data

Site Conditions: Site Condition Unknown Subsurface Testing Survey Strategies:

Specimens Collected: Yes Specimens Observed, Not Collected: Yes

Artifacts Summary and Diagnostics:

Albermarle Series pottery, triangular points, chips. All accessioned at VSL as Acc #73 thru 77. Also Acc #135. (VSL Acc # 217) (330)(652)

Summary of Specimens Observed, Not Collected:

VDHR Current Curation Repository: Permanent Curation Repository: No Data **Field Notes:** No Field Notes Repository: No Data Photographic Media: No Data **Survey Reports:** No Data

Survey Report Information:

Site was tested on July 12 and again on Oct 19-20 and a report made which was published in ASV Quarterly Bulletin Vol 19#2 (Dec. '64)

Survey Report Repository: No Data **DHR Library Reference Number:** No Data Significance Statement: No Data Surveyor's Eligibility Recommendations: No Data No Data Surveyor's NR Criteria Recommendations,: Surveyor's NR Criteria Considerations: No Data

Architectural Survey Form

DHR ID: 062-5057 Other DHR ID: No Data

Property Information

Property Names Historic

Name

Name Explanation Rose Hill and Cemetery **Property Evaluation Status**

Not Evaluated

Property Addresses

Alternate - Route 809 Current - 1162 Payne Place

County/Independent City(s):

Incorporated Town(s):

No Data No Data

Zip Code(s): Magisterial District(s):

No Data No Data

Tax Parcel(s): USGS Quad(s):

GLADSTONE

Nelson (County)

Additional Property Information

Architecture Setting:

Acreage:

Vo Dam

Site Description:

The house is situated on the east side of Payne Place which separates the house from the outbuildings and the cemetery. An immense holly tree in the front yard was planted in the early-nineteenth century by Willis Harris, ancestor of the current owners.

The outbuildings are all non-historic, built in the late-twentieth century. The historic cemetery is located across Route 809 from the dwelling.

Surveyor Assessment:

William Horsley, III, purchased the Rose Hill tract in 1811. The property was part of a grant, in excess of 2,600 acres, delivered to William Horsley, II, in 1780 and 1781 by Dr. William Cabell, William's maternal grandfather. William Horsley, III, and his wife Sarah Christian Horsley resided at Rose Hill. Their daughter, Martha married Willis Harris in the house which she later inherited. property was inherited by their daughter Sallie Ida Harris who married Sterling Claiborne Payne. Their son, Frank, inherited the property and it is now owned by James and Mary Payne Strickland. This property should be surveyed at the Intensive level because of its age, architectural character and historic associations.

Surveyor Recommendation:

Vo Data

Primary Resource Information

Domestic Resource Category: Resource Type: Single Dwelling Building NR Resource Type:

Historic District Status: No Data Date of Construction: Ca 1800

Date Source: Site Visit/Written Data

Early National Period (1790 - 1829) **Historic Time Period:** Architecture/Community Planning **Historic Context(s):**

Other ID Number: No Data Architectural Style: Georgian Form: Vo Data **Number of Stories:** 1.5 Condition: Good

Interior Plan: Central Passage, Single Pile

Threats to Resource: None Known

Architectural Description:

Architecture Summary: Rose Hill is a 1-1/2-story, 3-bay wide by 1-bay deep, single-pile, center-all plan, frame dwelling. The centered entrance has a rectangular, multi-light transom. The flanking 6/6, double-hung, wood sash windows have moulded sills. The chimney located on the

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DHR ID: 062-5057 Other DHR ID: No Data

west end is constructed of coursed rubble. The porch is 4-bays wide with a shed roof supported by turned wooden posts.

Exterior Components

Roof

Component Chimneys Porch Windows Structural System and Exterior Treatment

Component Type Exterior End 1-story, 3-bay Sash, Double-Hung Frame

Material Concrete Wood Wood Wood

Material Treatment

Block Other

Siding, Aluminum

Block Concrete

Foundation Solid/Continuous Standing Seam Coursed Rubble Gable Metal Exterior End Chimneys Stone

Secondary Resource Information

Secondary Resource #1

Resource Category: Resource Type:

Funerary Cemetery Ca

Date of Construction: Date Source:

No Data

Historic Time Period:

No Data

Historic Context(s):

Architecture/Community Planning

Architectural Style: *No Data* Form: No Data Condition: No Data Threats to Resource: No Data

Architectural Description:

No Data

Current Use: Private No Data Historic Religious Affilitation: Ethnic Affiliation: Unknown Has Marked Graves: False Has Unmarked Graves: False **Enclosure Type:** Vo Data **Number Of Gravestones:** No Data Earliest Marked Death Year: Va Data

Secondary Resource #2

Latest Marked Death Year:

Resource Category:

DSS Legacy

No Data

Resource Type:

Shed Ca

Date of Construction: Date Source:

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Historic Time Period: Historic Context(s):

 $\lambda a Data$

Architecture/Community Planning

Architectural Style:

Threats to Resource:

No Data Vo Data

Form: Condition:

No Data Vo Data

Architectural Description:

No Data

Number of Stories:

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DHR ID: 062-5057 Other DHR ID: No Data

Secondary Resource #3

Resource Category:

DSS Legacy

Resource Type:

Shed

Date of Construction:

Ca

Date Source:

No Data

Historic Time Period:

No Deta

Historic Context(s):

Architecture/Community Planning

Architectural Style:

No Data No Data

Form: Condition:

No Data

Threats to Resource:

No Data

Architectural Description:

No Data

Number of Stories:

Vo Data

Secondary Resource #4

Resource Category:

DSS Legacy

Resource Type:

Shed

Date of Construction:

Ca

Date Source:

No Data

Historic Time Period:

No Data

Historic Context(s):

Architecture/Community Planning

Architectural Style:

No Data

Form:

No Data

Condition:

No Data

Threats to Resource:

No Dola

Architectural Description:

No Data

Number of Stories:

No Dato

Secondary Resource #5

Resource Category:

Agriculture/Subsistence

Resource Type:

Barn

Date of Construction:

Ca No Data

Date Source:

No Data

Historic Time Period: Historic Context(s):

Architecture/Community Planning

Architectural Style:

No Data No Data

Form:

Condition:

No Data No Daia

Threats to Resource:

Architectural Description: No Data

Number of Stories:

No Data

Secondary Resource #6

Resource Category:

Agriculture/Subsistence

Resource Type:

Barn

Date of Construction:

Ca

Date Source:

No Data

Historic Time Period:

Va Data

Historic Context(s):

Architecture/Community Planning

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Architectural Survey Form Other

Other DHR ID: No Data

DHR ID: 062-5057

Architectural Style:No DataForm:No DataCondition:No DataThreats to Resource:No Data

Architectural Description:

No Data

Number of Stories: \times Data

Secondary Resource #7

Resource Category: Agriculture/Subsistence

 Resource Type:
 Corncrib

 Date of Construction:
 Ca

 Date Source:
 No Data

 Historic Time Period:
 No Data

Historic Context(s): Architecture/Community Planning

Architectural Style: No Data
Form: No Data
Condition: No Data
Threats to Resource: No Data

Architectural Description:

No Data

Secondary Resource #8

 Resource Category:
 Domestic

 Resource Type:
 Garage

 Date of Construction:
 Ca

 Date Source:
 No Data

 Historic Time Period:
 No Data

Historic Context(s): Architecture/Community Planning

Architectural Style: No Data
Form: No Data
Condition: No Data
Threats to Resource: No Data

Architectural Description:

No Data

Number of Stories: No Data

Secondary Resource #9

 Resource Category:
 Domestic

 Resource Type:
 Garage

 Date of Construction:
 Ca

 Date Source:
 No Data

 Historic Time Period:
 No Data

Historic Context(s): Architecture/Community Planning

Architectural Style: No Data
Form: No Data
Condition: No Data
Threats to Resource: No Data

Architectural Description:

No Data

Number of Stories: No Data

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Architectural Survey Form

DHR ID: 062-5057 Other DHR ID: No Data

Historic District Information

Historic District Name: No Data **Local Historic District Name:** No Data Historic District Significance: Vio Dettet

CRM Events

Event Type: Survey:Phase I/Reconnaissance

Project Review File Number:

062-5057

Investigator:

Clifford E. and Louise M. Wood

Organization/Company:

Unknown (DSS)

Photographic Media:

No Data

Survey Date:

3/4/1998

Dhr Library Report Number:

The Cabells and Their Kin

Project Staff/Notes:

No Data

Project Bibliographic Information:

Name: Brown, Alexander DHR CRM Report Number: The Cabells and Their Kin Record Type: Book

Bibliographic Information

Bibliography:

No Data

Property Notes:

Name: Clifford and Louise Wood Address 1: 115 Arrowhead Lane Phone 1: 804-263-5654 Owner Relationship: Informant

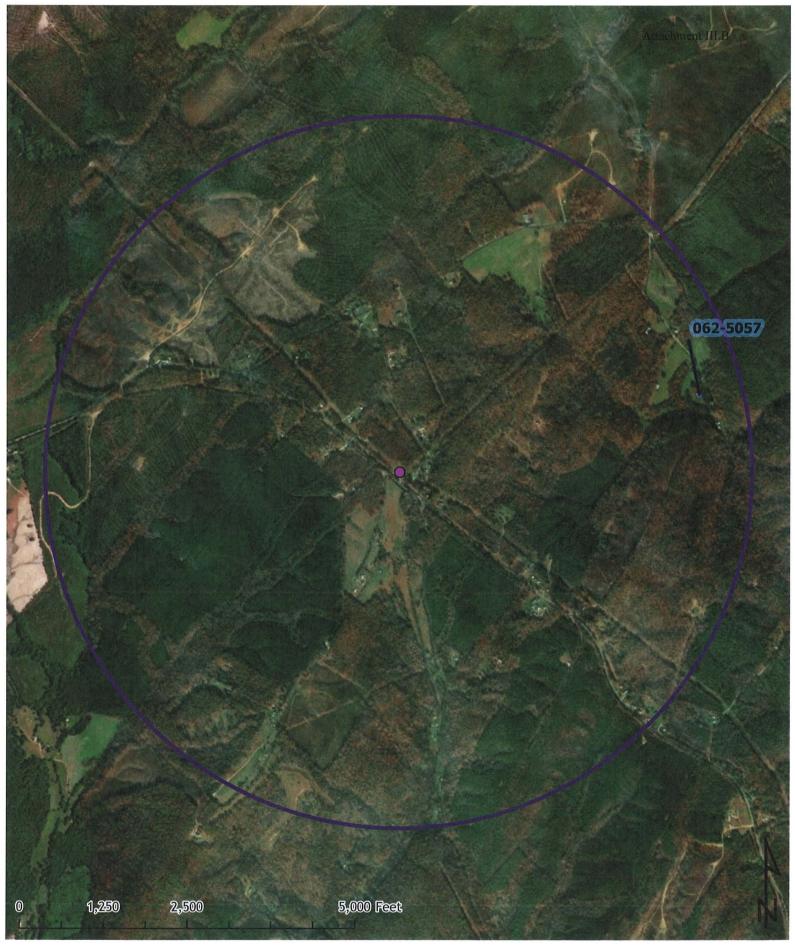
Name: James and Mary Payne Strickland Address 1: 1162 Payne Place

City: Gladstone State: Virginia ZIP: 24553

Phone 1: 804-933-8201

Owner Relationship: Owner of property

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Project: CVEC 2021 ER (Gladstone Substation Rebuild) Location: 37°34'21.39"N, 78°51'26.41"W Gladstone, Virginia 24553 Date: 12/9/2020

Created by: Kristina Donnally



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1-mile-buffer



Architecture Resources



Archaeological Resources

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Project: CVEC 2021 ER (Tower Hill Substation Rebuild) Location: 37°30'25.20"N, 78°46'57.34"W Gladstone, Virginia 24553 Date: 12/9/2020

Created by: Kristina Donnally



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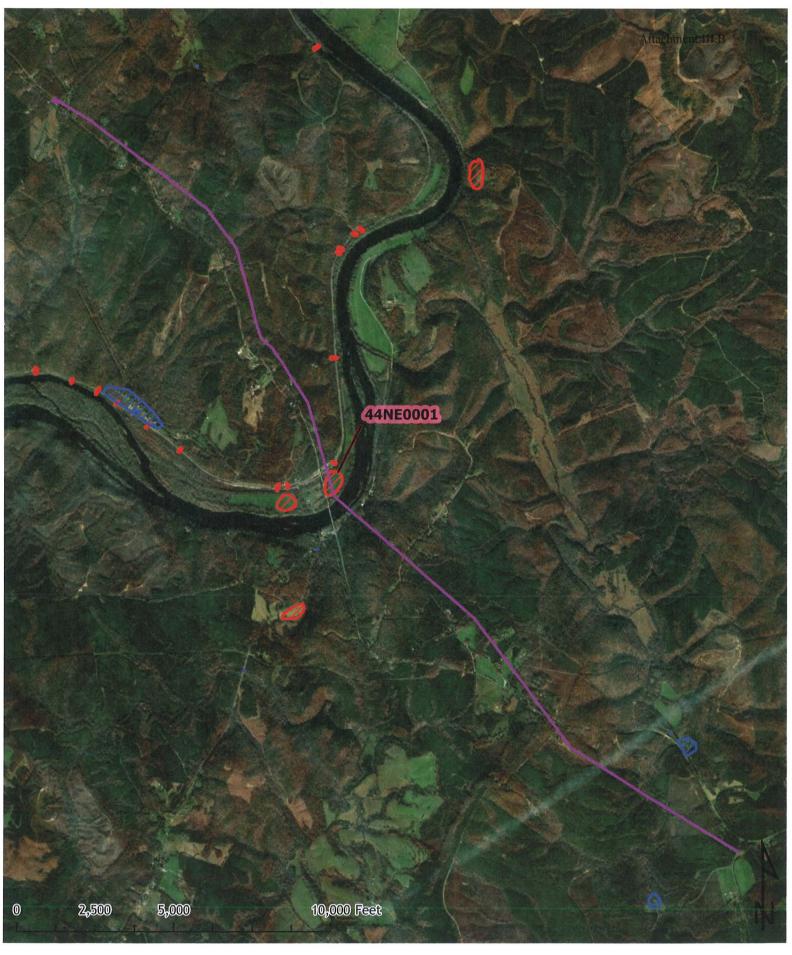
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Project: Gladstone-Tower Hill Transmission Line Rebuild
Location: Spring Lane to Watt Abbitt Rd, Gladstone, VA
24553
Date: 1/14/2021
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Project Area
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Kate P. Massey

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Sent: Thursday, January 14, 2021 9:54 AM

To: Nathan B. Cooksey < CookseyNB@booth-assoc.com>

Subject: CVEC 2021 ER (Gladstone Substation Rebuild) (DHR File No. 2020-4982) | e-Mail #03973

Dear Mr. Cooksey,

Thank you for requesting comments from the Department of Historic Resources on the referenced project, CVEC 2021 ER (Gladstone Substation Rebuild) (DHR File No. 2020-4982). Based upon the documentation provided, it is our opinion that no historic properties will be affected by the proposed undertaking.

Implementation of the undertaking in accordance with the finding of **No Historic Properties Affected** as documented fulfills the Federal agency's responsibilities under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. If for any reason the undertaking is not or cannot be conducted as proposed in the finding, consultation under Section 106 must be reopened.

If you have any questions or if we may provide any further assistance at this time, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Sent: Thursday, January 14, 2021 9:57 AM

To: Nathan B. Cooksey < CookseyNB@booth-assoc.com>

Subject: CVEC 2021 ER (Tower Hill Substation Rebuild) (DHR File No. 2020-4979) | e-Mail #03974

Dear Mr. Cooksey,

Thank you for requesting comments from the Department of Historic Resources on the referenced project, CVEC 2021 ER (Tower Hill Substation Rebuild) (DHR File No. 2020-4979). Based upon the documentation provided, it is our opinion that no historic properties will be affected by the proposed undertaking.

Implementation of the undertaking in accordance with the finding of **No Historic Properties Affected** as documented fulfills the Federal agency's responsibilities under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. If for any reason the undertaking is not or cannot be conducted as proposed in the finding, consultation under Section 106 must be reopened.

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Subject: DHR Archives Search Results - Gladstone Substation

Attachments: 2020-12-8 NCooksey Gladstone Substation INVOICE.pdf; 062-

5057 Report.pdf; 2020-12-

8_NCooksey_Gladstone_Substation_Results_Map.pdf

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Your search request to the Virginia Department of Historic Resources' archives is now complete. The results, along with an invoice for the services requested, are attached here. You may now use these materials to complete your DHR Project Review application, if applicable. For more information on the DHR Project Review process, please see the link below on our public website:

https://www.dhr.virginia.gov/environmental-review/

If you have additional questions, please contact DHR's Review and Compliance division manager, Roger Kirchen, for assistance. Roger can be reached at 804-482-6091 or roger.kirchen@dhr.virginia.gov.

Thank you and have a great day!

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Subject: DHR Archives Search Results - Tower Hill Substation Attachments: 006-0018_Report.pdf; 006-5003_Report.pdf; 2020-12-8 NCooksey Tower Hill Substation INVOICE.pdf; 006-0054 Report.pdf;

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Thank you and have a great day!

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NRCS

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FARMLAND CONVERSION IMPACT RATING

PART I (To be completed by Federal Agency)		Date Of Land Evaluation Request 12/7/20					
Name Of Project Central VA Electric Cooperative (2021-2024 CWP)		Federal Agency Involved RUS					
Proposed Land Use Appomattox Substation Rebuild		County And State Appomattox County, Virginia					
PART II (To be completed by NRCS)		Date Request Received By NRCS 12/7/20					
Does the site contain prime, unique, statewide or local important farmla (If no, the FPPA does not apply do not complete additional parts of		and? Yes No Acres Irrigated Average Farm Size					
Major Crop(s)	Farmable Land In Gov	n	Amount O	Amount Of Farmland As Defined in FPPA			
Corn	Acres: 188,910	% 88	Acres:	113,935	% 87		
Name Of Land Evaluation System Used LESA	Name Of Local Site Assessment System			Date Land	Date Land Evaluation Returned By NRCS 12/15/20		
PART III (To be completed by Federal Agency)		Cit. A		ve Site Rating	0:4- D		
A. Total Acres To Be Converted Directly			Site A	Site B	Site C	Site D	
B. Total Acres To Be Converted Indirectly			0.3				
C. Total Acres In Site			1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	
PART IV (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evalu	uation Information						
A. Total Acres Prime And Unique Farmland			0.0				
B. Total Acres Statewide And Local Important	Farmland		1.2				
C. Percentage Of Farmland In County Or Loca	·········	nverted	0.0		**************************************		
D. Percentage Of Farmland In Govt. Jurisdiction Witl			100.0				
PART V (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Criterion Relative Value Of Farmland To Be Converted (Scale of 0 to 100 Points)		36	0	0	0		
PART VI (To be completed by Federal Agency) Site Assessment Criteria (These criteria are explained in 7 CFR 658.5(b)		Maximum Points					
Area In Nonurban Use							
Perimeter In Nonurban Use							
Percent Of Site Being Farmed							
Protection Provided By State And Local Government							
5. Distance From Urban Builtup Area		,,					
6. Distance To Urban Support Services							
7. Size Of Present Farm Unit Compared To Average							
8. Creation Of Nonfarmable Farmland			-				
Availability Of Farm Support Services			-				
On-Farm Investments Effects Of Conversion On Farm Support Services							
	IVICES						
12. Compatibility With Existing Agricultural Use		160					
TOTAL SITE ASSESSMENT POINTS		160	0	0	0	0	
PART VII (To be completed by Federal Agency)							
Relative Value Of Farmland (From Part V)		100	36	0	0	0	
Total Site Assessment (From Part VI above or a local site assessment)		160	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL POINTS (Total of above 2 lines)		260	36	0	0	0	
Site Selected:	Date Of Selection			Was A Local Site Assessment Used? Yes No			

Reason For Selection:

STEPS IN THE PROCESSING THE FARMLAND AND CONVERSION IMPACT RATING FORM

- Step 1 Federal agencies involved in proposed projects that may convert farmland, as defined in the Farmland Protection Policy Act (FPPA) to nonagricultural uses, will initially complete Parts I and III of the form.
- Step 2 Originator will send copies A, B and C together with maps indicating locations of site(s), to the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) local field office and retain copy D for their files. (Note: NRCS has a field office in most counties in the U.S. The field office is usually located in the county seat. A list of field office locations are available from the NRCS State Conservationist in each state).
- Step 3 NRCS will, within 45 calendar days after receipt of form, make a determination as to whether the site(s) of the proposed project contains prime, unique, statewide or local important farmland.
- . Step '4 In cases where farmland covered by the FPPA will be converted by the proposed project, NRCS field offices will complete Parts II, IV and V of the form.
- Step 5 NRCS will return copy A and B of the form to the Federal agency involved in the project. (Copy C will be retained for NRCS records).
- Step 6 The Federal agency involved in the proposed project will complete Parts VI and VII of the form.
- Step 7 The Federal agency involved in the proposed project will make a determination as to whether the proposed conversion is consistent with the FPPA and the agency's internal policies.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE FARMLAND CONVERSION IMPACT RATING FORM

Part I: In completing the "County And State" questions list all the local governments that are responsible for local land controls where site(s) are to be evaluated.

Part III: In completing item B (Total Acres To Be Converted Indirectly), include the following:

- 1. Acres not being directly converted but that would no longer be capable of being farmed after the conversion, because the conversion would restrict access to them.
- 2. Acres planned to receive services from an infrastructure project as indicated in the project justification (e.g. highways, utilities) that will cause a direct conversion.

Part VI: Do not complete Part VI if a local site assessment is used.

Assign the maximum points for each site assessment criterion as shown in § 658.5 (b) of CFR. In cases of corridor-type projects such as transportation, powerline and flood control, criteria #5 and #6 will not apply and will, be weighed zero, however, criterion #8 will be weighed a maximum of 25 points, and criterion #11 a maximum of 25 points.

Individual Federal agencies at the national level, may assign relative weights among the 12 site assessment criteria other than those shown in the FPPA rule. In all cases where other weights are assigned relative adjustments must be made to maintain the maximum total weight points at 160.

In rating alternative sites, Federal agencies shall consider each of the criteria and assign points within the limits established in the FPPA rule. Sites most suitable for protection under these criteria will receive the highest total scores, and sites least suitable, the lowest scores.

Part VII: In computing the "Total Site Assessment Points" where a State or local site assessment is used and the total maximum number of points is other than 160, adjust the site assessment points to a base of 160. Example: if the Site Assessment maximum is 200 points, and alternative Site "A" is rated 180 points: Total points assigned Site $A = 180 \times 160 = 144$ points for Site "A."

Maximum points possible 200

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FARMLAND CONVERSION IMPACT RATING

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LESA	Name of Local one A	y sterii	12/15/20				
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		·	Site A 0.9	Site B	Site C	Site D	
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PART IV (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evalu	ation Information			0.0	0.0	0.0	
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A. Total Acres Prime And Unique Farmland	Formland		1.2				
B. Total Acres Statewide And Local Important Farmland			0.0				
C. Percentage Of Farmland In County Or Local Govt. Unit To Be Converted D. Percentage Of Farmland In Govt. Jurisdiction With Same Or Higher Relative Value			100.0				
PART V (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evalua		ve value					
Relative Value Of Farmland To Be Converted (Scale of 0 to 100 Po) Points)	36	0	0	0	
PART VI (To be completed by Federal Agency)		Maximum					
Site Assessment Criteria (These criteria are explained in 7 CFR 658.5(b)		Points					
1. Area In Nonurban Use		Warmen					
2. Perimeter In Nonurban Use							
Percent Of Site Being Farmed							
4. Protection Provided By State And Local Government							
5. Distance From Urban Builtup Area							
6. Distance To Urban Support Services		A acceptance of					
7. Size Of Present Farm Unit Compared To Average							
8. Creation Of Nonfarmable Farmland							
Availability Of Farm Support Services							
On-Farm Investments Effects Of Conversion On Farm Support Services							
12. Compatibility With Existing Agricultural Use	vices						
		400					
TOTAL SITE ASSESSMENT POINTS		160	0	0	0	0	
PART VII (To be completed by Federal Agency)							
Relative Value Of Farmland (From Part V)		100	36	0	0	0	
Total Site Assessment (From Part VI above or a local site assessment)		160	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL POINTS (Total of above 2 lines)		260	36	0	0	0	
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Reason For Selection:

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Matthew J. Strickler Secretary of Natural Resources

Clyde E. Cristman *Director*



Attachment III.B Rochelle Altholz Deputy Director of Administration and Finance

Russell W. Baxter Deputy Director of Dam Safety & Floodplain Management and Soil & Water Conservation

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> Thomas L. Smith Deputy Director of Operations

January 4, 2021

Nathan Cooksey Booth and Associates, Inc. 5811 Glenwood Avenue, Suite 109 Raleigh, NC 27612

Re: 516, Tower Hill Substation Rebuild

Dear Mr. Cooksey:

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There are no State Natural Area Preserves under DCR's jurisdiction in the project vicinity.

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Should you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me at 804-371-2708. Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this project.

Sincerely,

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Re: 521, Gladstone Substation Rebuild

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January 7, 2021

Nathan Cooksey Booth and Associates, Inc. 5811 Glenwood Avenue, Suite 109 Raleigh, NC 27612

Re: 1006, Gladstone - Tower Hill Transmission Rebuild

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Furthermore, if tree removal is proposed for the project, it will fragment Ecological Cores (C3, C4 and C5) as identified in the Virginia Natural Landscape Assessment (https://www.dcr.virginia.gov/natural-heritage/vaconvisvnla), one of a suite of tools in Virginia ConservationVision that identify and prioritize lands for conservation and protection.

Ecological Cores are areas of unfragmented natural cover with at least 100 acres of interior that provide habitat for a wide range of species, from interior-dependent forest species to habitat generalists, as well as species that utilize marsh, dune, and beach habitats. Cores also provide benefits in terms of open space, recreation, water quality (including drinking water protection and erosion prevention), and air quality (including carbon sequestration and oxygen production), along with the many associated economic benefits of these functions. The cores are ranked from C1 to C5 (C5 being the least ecologically relevant) using many prioritization criteria, such as the proportions of sensitive habitats of natural heritage resources they contain.

Fragmentation occurs when a large, contiguous block of natural cover is dissected by development, and other forms of permanent conversion, into one or more smaller patches. Habitat fragmentation results in biogeographic changes that disrupt species interactions and ecosystem processes, reducing biodiversity and habitat quality due to limited recolonization, increased predation and egg parasitism, and increased invasion by weedy species.

Therefore minimizing fragmentation is a key mitigation measure that will preserve the natural patterns and connectivity of habitats that are key components of biodiversity. The deleterious effects of fragmentation can be reduced by minimizing edge in remaining fragments; by retaining natural corridors that allow movement between fragments; and by designing the intervening landscape to minimize its hostility to native wildlife (natural cover versus lawns).

DCR recommends the development and implementation of an invasive species plan to be included as part of the maintenance practices for the right-of-way (ROW). The invasive species plan should include an invasive species inventory for the project area based on the current DCR Invasive Species List

(http://www.dcr.virginia.gov/natural-heritage/document/nh-invasive-plant-list-2014.pdf) and methods for treating the invasives. DCR also recommends the ROW restoration and maintenance practices planned include appropriate revegetation using native species in a mix of grasses and forbs, robust monitoring and an adaptive management plan to provide guidance if initial revegetation efforts are unsuccessful or if invasive species outbreaks occur.

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Should you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me at 804-371-2708. Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this project.

Sincerely,

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Natural Heritage Project Review Coordinator

Cc: Ernie Aschenbach, VDWR

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December 28, 2020

Matthew J. Strickler

Secretary of Natural Resources

Kate Massey Booth & Associates, LLC 5811 Glenwood Avenue Ste. 109 Raleigh, NC 27612

RE: Wetland Impact Consultation; Environmental Report (EA) associated with the 20212-2024 Work Plan Virginia 29

Dear Ms. Massey:

In accordance with the Department of Environmental Quality-State Corporation Commission *Memorandum of Agreement Regarding Wetland Impact Consultation* (July 2003), we have reviewed the information submitted by Central Virginia Electric Cooperative (here after, CVEC) regarding potential wetland impacts on the above referenced project. CVEC is in the process of applying to the Rural Utilities Service (RUS) for loan funds to finance upgrades and construction of electric power facilities. These proposed facilities are located in Nelson and Appomattox Counties, Virginia. In order to obtain RUS funds, CVEC must complete an Environmental Report (ER). The project will consists of building new substations and rebuilding of overhead transmission lines. The transmission line is entirely within existing transmission line right-of-way and no additional right-of-way is necessary.

Based on review of the information provided by Booth and Associates on behalf of CVEC, both wetland areas and stream areas were identified within the project areas.

Summary of Findings

DEQ's Office of Wetland and Streams Protection (OWSP) is unable to determine if direct or indirect impacts will occur to wetlands and streams and if compensation is associated with these potential impacts. If direct or indirect impacts occur, then under the Code of Virginia 9VAC25-210, a Virginia Water Protection (VWP) permit may be required. The DEQ Valley Regional Office (VRO) will make the final permitting decisions.

DEQ recommends structures should be sited to avoid wetlands to the extent practicable and should be sited outside of stream channels. Timbering debris should not be placed in wetlands or streams. DEQ further recommends wetland and stream avoidance and minimization efforts, where practical, during project construction by: (1) spanning wetlands and streams, (2) maintaining 100-foot buffers along either

side of streams, (3) placing support structure foundations outside of wetlands and streambeds, and (4) using removable mats in wetland areas to reduce compaction and rutting.

Recommendations and Potential Permits

Based upon review of the information provided, DEQ's OWSP offers the following general recommendations concerning potential surface water impacts:

- 1. Wetland and stream impacts, including any secondary impacts, should be avoided and minimized to the maximum extent practicable.
- 2. If the scope of the project changes, additional review will be necessary by one or more offices in the Commonwealth's Secretariat of Natural Resources and/or the Corps.
- 3. At a minimum, any required compensation for impacts to State Waters, including the compensation for permanent conversion of forested wetlands to emergent wetlands, should be in accordance with all applicable state regulations and laws. Consider mitigating impacts to forested or converted wetlands by establishing new forested wetlands within the impacted watershed.
- 4. Any temporary impacts to surface waters associated with this project should be restored to preexisting conditions.
- 5. No activity may substantially disrupt the movement of aquatic life indigenous to the water body, including those species, which normally migrate through the area, unless the primary purpose of the activity is to impound water. Culverts placed in streams must be installed to maintain low flow conditions. No activity may cause more than minimal adverse effect on navigation. Furthermore the activity must not impede the passage of normal or expected high flows and the structure or discharge must withstand expected high flows.
- 6. Erosion and sedimentation controls should be designed in accordance with the Virginia Erosion and Sediment Control Handbook, Third Edition, 1992. These controls should be placed prior to clearing and grading and maintained in good working order to minimize impacts to state waters. These controls should remain in place until the area is stabilized and should then be removed. Any exposed slopes and streambanks should be stabilized immediately upon completion of work in each permitted area. All denuded areas should be properly stabilized in accordance with the Virginia Erosion and Sediment Control Handbook, Third Edition, 1992.
- 7. No machinery may enter surface waters, unless authorized by a Virginia Water Protection (VWP) individual permit, general permit, or general permit coverage.
- 8. Heavy equipment in temporarily impacted surface waters should be placed on mats, geotextile fabric, or other suitable material, to minimize soil disturbance to the maximum extent practicable. Equipment and materials should be removed immediately upon completion of work.
- 9. Activities should be conducted in accordance with any Time-of-Year restriction(s) as recommended by the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, the Department of Conservation and Recreation, or the Virginia Marine Resources Commission. The permittee should retain a copy of the agency correspondence concerning the Time-of-Year restriction(s), or the lack thereof, for the duration of the construction phase of the project.
- 10. All construction, construction access, and demolition activities associated with this project should be accomplished in a manner that minimizes construction materials or waste materials from entering surface waters, unless authorized by a Virginia Water Protection (VWP) individual permit, general

- permit, or general permit coverage. Wet, excess, or waste concrete should be prohibited from entering surface waters.
- 11. Herbicides used in or around any surface water should be approved for aquatic use by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) or the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service. These herbicides should be applied according to label directions by a licensed herbicide applicator. A non-petroleum based surfactant should be used in or around any surface waters.

Permits:

Based on DEQ's review of the information received December 11, 2020, DEQ's OWSP is unable to determine if the proposed project <u>may or may not</u> require a Virginia Water Protection (VWP) individual permit or general permit coverage. If a permit is necessary, the applicant may submit a Joint Permit Application (JPA) in accordance with form instructions for further evaluation and final permit need determination by DEQ.

Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at 804-698-4007 or at michelle.henicheck@deq.virginia.gov.

Sincerely,

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Michelle Henicheck, PWS Senior Wetland Ecologist Office of Wetlands & Stream Protection

Cc: Keith Fowler, DEQ - VRO

Bettina Sullivan, DEQ - Office of Environmental Review

From: Keith Fowler <keith.fowler@deq.virginia.gov>

Sent: Monday, January 04, 2021 2:34 PM

To: Kate P. Massey < Massey KP@booth-assoc.com >; Michelle Henicheck < michelle.henicheck@deq.virginia.gov >

Subject: RE: Environmental Project Review for Central Virginia Electric Cooperative

Below is additional information general information related to DEQ programs which should be considered when initiating a construction project in Virginia. In addition, you may wish to refer to DEQ's Environmental Impact Reviews web site, http://www.deq.virginia.gov/Programs/EnvironmentalImpactReview.aspx, and our Pollution Prevention / Environmental Excellence pages, http://www.deq.virginia.gov/Programs/PollutionPrevention.aspx, for other general information. We are glad to discuss specifics for any aspect of your project with you as it relates to any DEQ programs.

- 1. Water Quality and Wetlands. Measures must be taken to avoid and minimize impacts to surface waters and wetlands during construction activities. The disturbance of surface waters or wetlands may require prior approval by DEQ and/or the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The Army Corps of Engineers is the final authority for an official confirmation of whether there are federal jurisdictional wetlands or other surface waters that may be impacted by the proposed project. DEQ may confirm additional waters as jurisdictional beyond those under federal authority. Review of National Wetland Inventory maps or topographic maps for locating wetlands or streams may not be sufficient; there may need to be a site-specific review of the site by a qualified professional. Even if there will be no intentional placement of fill material in jurisdictional waters, potential water quality impacts resulting from construction site surface runoff must be minimized. This can be achieved by using Best Management Practices (BMPs). If construction activities will occur in or along any streams (perennial, intermittent, or ephemeral), open water or wetlands, the applicant should contact Catherine Wright at DEQ-VRO (540-574-7804, Catherine.Wright@deq.virginia.gov) to determine the need for any permits prior to commencing work that could impact surface waters or wetlands.
- 2. Erosion and Sediment Control and Storm Water Management. DEQ has regulatory authority for the Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) programs related to municipal separate storm sewer systems (MS4s) and construction activities. Erosion and sediment control measures are addressed in local ordinances and State regulations. Additional information is available at http://www.deq.virginia.gov/Programs/Water/StormwaterManagement.aspx. Non-point source pollution resulting from this project should be minimized by using effective erosion and sediment control practices and structures. Consideration should also be given to using permeable paving for parking areas and walkways where appropriate, and denuded areas should be promptly revegetated following construction work. If the total land disturbance exceeds 10,000 square feet, an erosion and sediment control plan will be required. Some localities also require an E&S plan for disturbances less than 10,000 square feet. A stormwater management plan may also be required. For any land disturbing activities equal to one acre or more, you are required to apply for coverage under the VPDES General Permit for Discharges of Storm Water from Construction Activities. The Virginia Stormwater Management Permit Authority may be DEQ or the locality. Specific questions regarding the Stormwater Management Program requirements should be directed to Gary Flory at DEQ-VRO (540-574-7840, Gary.Flory@deq.virginia.gov).
- 3. Other Site Development Considerations. Fugitive dust generated during construction should be controlled by using measures such as the prompt removal of spilled or tracked dirt or other materials from paved streets, limited application of water to suppress dust, and washing of construction vehicles and paved roadways immediately adjacent to construction sites. Do not use water for dust control to the extent that it results in runoff to surface waters or wetlands. Land clearing wastes (vegetative debris) generated during construction should be properly managed in accordance with applicable regulations and local ordinances. Shredding/chipping of vegetative debris and reuse on-site is usually recommended over open burning. Any open burning of vegetative debris must be performed in accordance with the Open Burning Regulation and coordinated with the local fire official to ensure that all local ordinances are met. A copy of DEQ's open burning regulation and related information are accessible from http://www.deq.virginia.gov/Programs/Air/AirQualityPlans/OpenBurning.aspx. Also, no open burning should take place in violation of the Virginia Waste Management Regulations. http://www.deq.virginia.gov/Programs/Air/AirQualityPlans/OpenBurning.aspx. Also, no open burning should take place in

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4. Potable Water. Installation of potable water lines and appurtenances must comply with the State's Waterworks Regulations. The Virginia Department of Health (VDH), http://www.vdh.state.va.us/ODW/, administers both federal and state laws governing waterworks operation. For more information, contact the VDH's Lexington Office of Water Programs at (540) 463-7136.

- **5. Wastewaters.** DEQ has approval authority over wastewater discharges per the State Water Control Administration III.B corresponding regulations. This includes discharges or land application of any wastewaters generated from washing of materials, products, or vehicles, or other practices relevant to this project, including water contaminated by chemicals used on-site. DEQ also has approval authority over plans and specifications for sewage collection systems and treatment works (except drainfields and other on-site systems approved by the local health department), per the Sewage Collection and Treatment (SCAT) Regulations, http://law.lis.virginia.gov/admincode/title9/agency25/chapter790/. Any wastewaters generated by this project must be properly managed and disposed. For additional information and assistance, contact Brandon Kiracofe at DEQ-VRO (540-574-7892, Brandon.Kiracofe@deq.virginia.gov).
- **6. Air Quality**. Installation / operation / modification / replacement of stationary or portable fuel burning equipment (e.g., generators, wood chippers/grinders, boilers, etc.) or other sources of air pollutants, including dust, may be subject to registration and/or air permitting requirements (http://www.deq.virginia.gov/Programs/Air/PermittingCompliance/Permitting/TypesofAirPermits.aspx); for questions regarding this, please contact Janardan Pandey at DEQ-VRO (540-574-7817, janardan.Pandey@deq.virginia.gov).
- **7. Petroleum Storage Tanks**. Installation / operation / modification of tanks used for the storage of petroleum and CERCLA substances may be subject to registration and/or other regulatory requirements (http://www.deq.virginia.gov/Programs/LandProtectionRevitalization/PetroleumProgram/StorageTanks.aspx). If petroleum-contaminated soils or water are encountered during excavation work, or if old petroleum tanks need to be removed or replaced, contact DEQ. For questions regarding any of this, please contact Todd Pitsenberger at DEQ-VRO (540-574-7847, Todd.Pitsenberger@deq.virginia.gov).
- 8. Solid and Hazardous Wastes, and Hazardous Substances. DEQ administers the Virginia Waste Management Regulations, http://law.lis.virginia.gov/admincode/title9/agency20/. All solid wastes, hazardous wastes, and hazardous materials, including construction and demolition (C&D) wastes and universal wastes (batteries, fluorescent lights, refrigerants, mercury switches, mercury thermostats, etc.), must be managed in accordance with all applicable federal, state, and local environmental regulations. The generation of hazardous wastes should be minimized and solid wastes generated at the site should be reduced at the source, reused, or recycled. DEQ encourages the management of certain organic wastes by on-site composting or reuse as animal feed or soil amendment. Also, if you encounter any improperly disposed solid or hazardous wastes, or petroleum contaminated soils, you should contact DEQ-VRO. You may wish to refer to the web link for "What's in My Back Yard?", http://www.deq.virginia.gov/ConnectWithDEQ/VEGIS.aspx, to help you determine areas where residual contamination may be more likely. Contact Graham Simmerman at DEQ-VRO (540-574-7865, Graham.Simmerman@deq.virginia.gov) for any questions related to waste management / disposal, including any questions related to open burning requirements and prohibitions. Manage / dispose of any asbestos-containing materials (ACMs) in accordance with Virginia Department of Labor and Industry (DOLI) regulations. Contact Doug Wiggins at DOLI (Richard.Wiggins@doli.virginia.gov, 540-562-3580, ext. 131) for any questions related to management / disposal of ACMs.
- **9. Pesticides and Herbicides**. DEQ recommends that herbicides or pesticides for construction or landscape maintenance, when necessary, be used in accordance with the principles of integrated pest management, and that the least toxic pesticides that are effective in controlling the target species be used. Please contact the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services at (804) 786-3501 for more information. If applying aquatic pesticides to surface waters, the applicant must comply with the DEQ's Pesticide General Permit, http://www.deq.virginia.gov/Programs/Water/PermittingCompliance/PollutionDischargeElimination/PermitsFees.aspx#pest
- **10. Natural Heritage Resources**. The Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) Division of Natural Heritage (DNH) can search its Biotics Data System for occurrences of natural heritage resources from the area indicated on the submitted map. Natural heritage resources are defined as the habitat of rare, threatened, or endangered animal and plant species, unique or exemplary natural communities, and significant geologic communities. We recommend that the DNH be contacted at (804) 786-7951 to secure updated information on natural heritage resources before commencing the project.
- **11. Wildlife Resources**. The Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries (DGIF) exercises enforcement and regulatory jurisdiction over wildlife and freshwater fish, including state or federally listed endangered or threatened species. DGIF determines likely impacts on fish and wildlife resources and habitat, and recommends appropriate measures to avoid, reduce, or compensate for those impacts. For more information, see the DGIF website at http://www.dgif.virginia.gov or contact Ray Fernald at (804) 367-6913.
- **12. Historic and Archaeological Resources.** *Section 106 of the National Historic and Preservation Act of 1966*, as amended, requires that activities that receive federal funding must consider effects to properties that are listed or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. The Department of Historic Resources (DHR) conducts reviews of projects to determine their effect on historic structures or cultural resources. If applicable, contact DHR. In the event that archaeological resources are encountered during construction, immediately contact Ms. Ethel Eaton, DHR, at (804) 367-2323.

- **13. Pollution Prevention**. DEQ recommends that construction projects incorporate the principles of pollution prevention including the following recommendations:
 - Consider environmental attributes when purchasing materials. For example, the extent of recycled material content and toxicity level should be considered.
 - Consider contractors' commitment to the environment when choosing contractors. Also, specifications regarding
 raw material selection (alternative fuels and energy sources) and construction practices can be included in
 contract documents and requests for proposals.
 - Choose sustainable practices and materials in infrastructure and construction and design. These could include asphalt and concrete containing recycled materials and integrated pest management in landscaping.
 - Integrate pollution prevention techniques into maintenance and operation activities to include source reduction (fixing leaks, energy efficient products).

Pollution prevention measures are likely to reduce potential environmental impacts and reduce costs for material purchasing and waste disposal. DEQ's Office of Pollution of Prevention hosts a number of programs and initiatives that provide non-regulatory assistance to businesses, institutions, and communities including the Virginia Environmental Excellence Program and Virginia Green. For more information, please visit our web site at http://www.deq.virginia.gov/Programs/PollutionPrevention.aspx.

- **14**. **Energy Conservation**. Any structures should be planned and designed to comply with state and federal guidelines and industry standards for energy conservation and efficiency. For example, energy efficiency of the structures can be enhanced by maximizing the use of the following:
 - thermally-efficient building shell components (roof, wall, floor, and insulation);
 - high efficiency heating, ventilation, air conditioning systems; and
 - · high efficiency lighting systems.

Matt Heller at the Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy, (434) 951-6351, may be contacted for assistance in meeting this challenge.

B. Keith Fowler | Deputy Regional Director | DEQ-Valley Regional Office | 4411 Early Road | P. O. Box 3000 | Harrisonburg, VA 22801 | 540-574-7812 | Keith.Fowler@deg.virginia.gov

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Sent: Friday, December 11, 2020 10:56 AM

Subject: Re: Environmental Project Review for Central Virginia Electric Cooperative

Thank you for contacting us about your project. Due to staffing limitations, we are unable to review and provide comments on projects that are not currently involved in one of the regulatory review processes for which we are a formal consulting agency (see https://www.DWR.virginia.gov/environmental-programs/). If your project becomes involved in one of these review processes, we will review the project at that time and provide our comments to the requesting agency. In advance of that, we recommend that you conduct a preliminary desktop analysis to evaluate your project's potential impacts upon the Commonwealth's wildlife resources by accessing our online information system, the Virginia Fish and Wildlife Information Service (VAFWIS) and using the Geographic Search function to generate an Initial Project Assessment (IPA) report.

We recommend the following steps:

A. Access VAFWIS at this link: https://vafwis.DWR.virginia.gov/fwis/
If you are not already a VAFWIS subscriber, you should request to become one by emailing a request to VAFWIS Subscriptions are free of charge. As a subscriber, one is able to generate an IPA for the project area (project site plus a minimum 2-mile buffer) which generates a list of imperiled wildlife and designated wildlife resources known from the project area. You may also access VAFWIS as a visitor, but access to data and mapping at this user level is restricted.

Alternatively, you may contact our Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Coordinator, Jay Kapalczynski, at Jay.Kapalczynski@DWR.virginia.gov to request access to the Wildlife Mapping and Environmental Review Map Service (WERMS) which allows you to download GIS data into your own system.

B. Access information about the location of bat hibernacula and roosts from the following locations:

Northern Long-Eared Bats: https://www.dwr.virginia.gov/wildlife/bats/northern-long-eared-bat-application/

Little Brown Bats and Tricolored Bats: https://www.dwr.virginia.gov/wildlife/bats/little-brown-bat-tri-colored-bat-winter-habitat-roosts-application/

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December 08, 2020

In Reply Refer To:

Consultation Code: 05E2VA00-2021-SLI-1022

Event Code: 05E2VA00-2021-E-02910

Project Name: 521_Gladstone Sub Rebuild_CVEC

Subject: List of threatened and endangered species that may occur in your proposed project

location, and/or may be affected by your proposed project

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Project Summary

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Project Name:

521_Gladstone Sub Rebuild_CVEC

Project Type:

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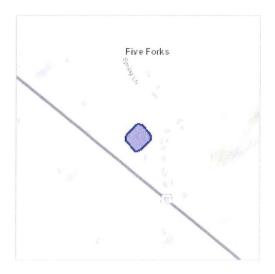
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Project Location:

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Counties: Nelson, VA

Event Code: 05E2VA00-2021-E-02910

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Mammals

NAME STATUS

Northern Long-eared Bat Myotis septentrionalis

Threatened

No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9045

Critical habitats

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In Reply Refer To: December 08, 2020

Consultation Code: 05E2VA00-2021-SLI-1027

Event Code: 05E2VA00-2021-E-02923

Project Name: 1006_Gladstone-TowerHill Trans Line_CVEC

Subject: List of threatened and endangered species that may occur in your proposed project

location, and/or may be affected by your proposed project

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Project Summary

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Event Code: 05E2VA00-2021-E-02923

Project Name: 1006_Gladstone-TowerHill Trans Line_CVEC

Project Type: TRANSMISSION LINE

Project Description: The existing 6.4 mile Gladstone to Tower Hill 46 kV Transmission line

will be rebuilt to 138 kV, in place and within the existing 100 ft right-of-way. The rebuilt line will utilize steel poles with 400 - 450 ft spans.

Project Location:

Approximate location of the project can be viewed in Google Maps: https://www.google.com/maps/place/37.539699019766374N78.82739059267954W



Counties: Appomattox, VA | Nelson, VA

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Endangered Species Act Species

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Mammals

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In Reply Refer To: December 08, 2020

Consultation Code: 05E2VA00-2021-SLI-1025

Event Code: 05E2VA00-2021-E-02919

Project Name: 516_Tower Hill Sub Rebuild_CVEC

Subject: List of threatened and endangered species that may occur in your proposed project

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Project Name: 516_Tower Hill Sub Rebuild_CVEC

Project Type: ** OTHER **

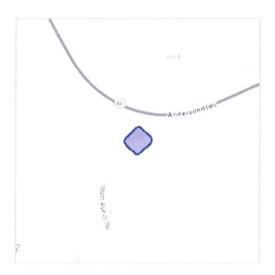
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Counties: Appomattox, VA

Threatened

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WATERWAYS



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

Matthew J. Strickler Secretary of Natural Resources Marine Resources Commission 380 Fenwick Road Bldg 96 Fort Monroe, VA 23651-1064

Steven G. Bowman Commissioner

December 27, 2020

Booth & Associates, LLC Attn: Nathan Cooksey 5811 Glenwood Avenue Ste. 109 Raleigh, NC 27612

Re: Environmental Project Review for Central Virginia

Electric Cooperative

Dear Mr. Cooksey,

This will respond to the request for comments regarding the Environmental Report associated with the Central Virginia Electric Cooperative 2021-2024 Work Plan prepared by Booth & Associates, LLC, on behalf of the Central Virginia Electric Cooperative. Specifically, the applicant is proposing three projects to upgrade and construct electric power facilities, which include two substation rebuilds and one existing transmission line rebuild. The projects are located in Nelson County and Appomattox County, Virginia. We have reviewed the provided documents and found the proposed transmission line rebuild project is within the jurisdictional areas of the Virginia Marine Resources Commission (VMRC) and will require a permit from this agency for the proposed stream bed impacts.

Please be advised that the VMRC, pursuant to §28.2-1200 et seq of the Code of Virginia, has jurisdiction over any encroachments in, on, or over the beds of the bays, ocean, rivers, streams, or creeks which are the property of the Commonwealth. Accordingly, if any portion of the subject project involves any encroachments channelward of ordinary high water along non-tidal, natural rivers and streams with a drainage area greater than 5-square miles, a permit may be required from our agency. Any jurisdictional impacts will be reviewed by the VMRC during the JPA process.

If you have any questions please contact me at 757-247-8028 or by email at mark.eversole@mrc.virginia.gov. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

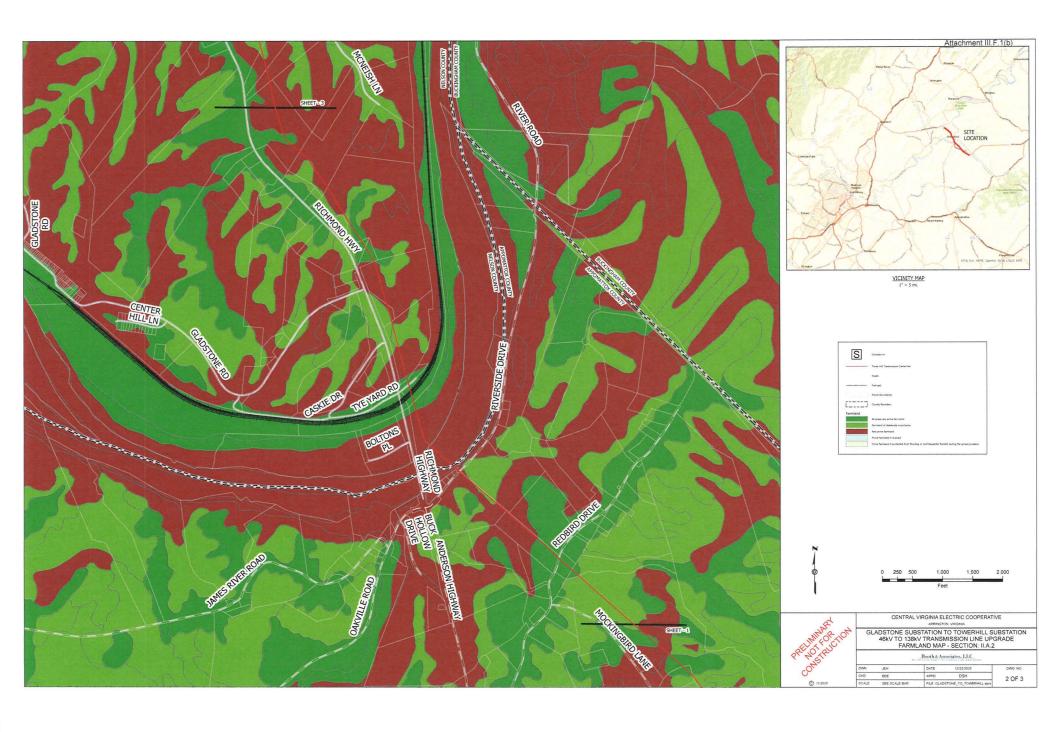
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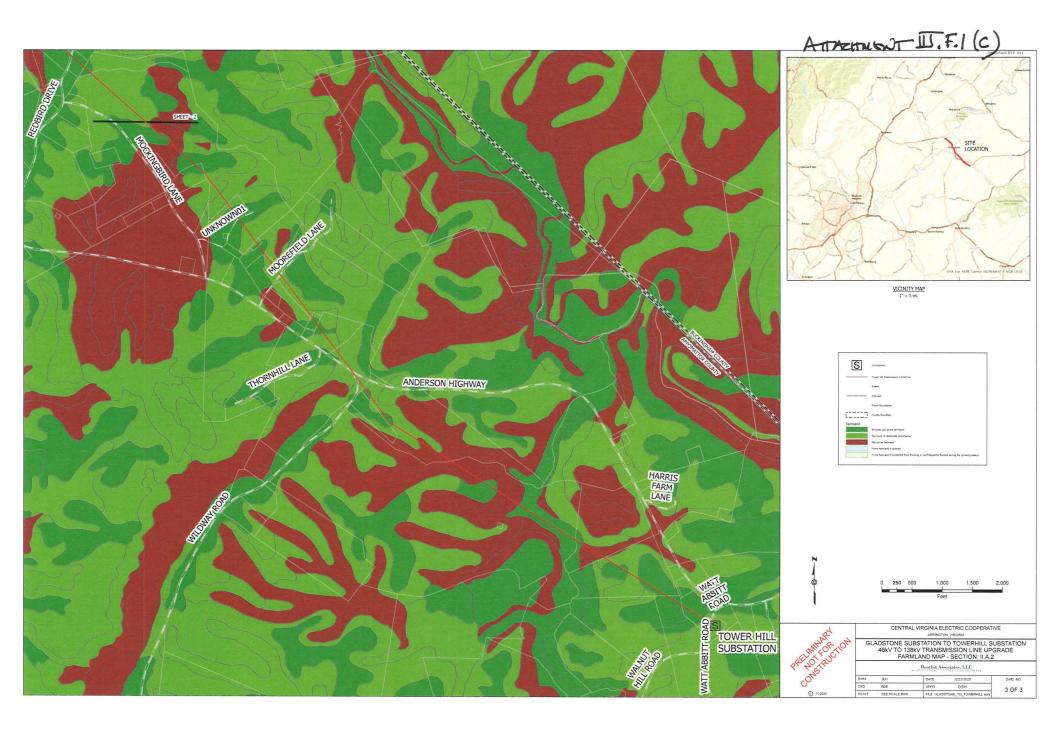
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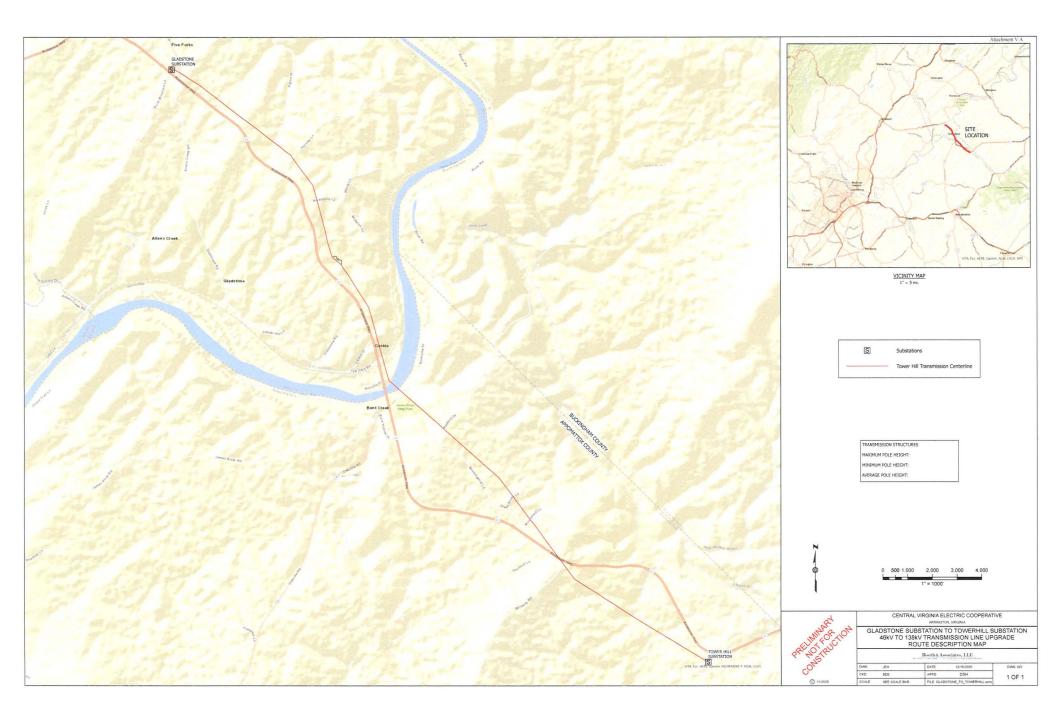
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ATTACHMENT ITE (a) GLADSTONE SUBSTATION VICINITY MAP 1" = 5 mi. S RIVERBEND LN CENTRAL VIRGINIA ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE GLADSTONE SUBSTATION TO TOWERHILL SUBSTATION 46kV TO 138kV TRANSMISSION LINE UPGRADE FARMLAND MAP - SECTION: II.A.2 Booth & Associates, LLC 1 OF 3









January 8, 2021

Susan M. Adams
Appomattox County Administrator
153-A Morton Lane
Post Office Box 863
Appomattox, VA 24522

Dear Ms. Adams:

Central Virginia Electric Cooperative is providing notice that we will be filing in late January 2021 with the Virginia State Corporation Commission for approval to rebuild an existing 46,000 Volt (46kV) transmission line. The existing 46kV, CVEC owned transmission line extends generally along Route 60 from CVEC's Gladstone substation in Nelson County to CVEC's Tower Hill substation located in Appomattox County. The transmission line will be rebuilt to operate at 138,000 Volts (138kV) within the existing 100-foot right-of-way. Approximately 3.2 miles of the 6.3 mile transmission line is in Appomattox County.

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Sincerely,

Bruce Maurhoff

Sr. VP & Chief Operating Officer

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