

Center to Grand Forks Project

Minnkota Power
MPC COOPERATIVE, INC.



Open House Welcome

The purpose of today's meeting is to:

- Announce the Project
- Answer questions
- Gather information from you

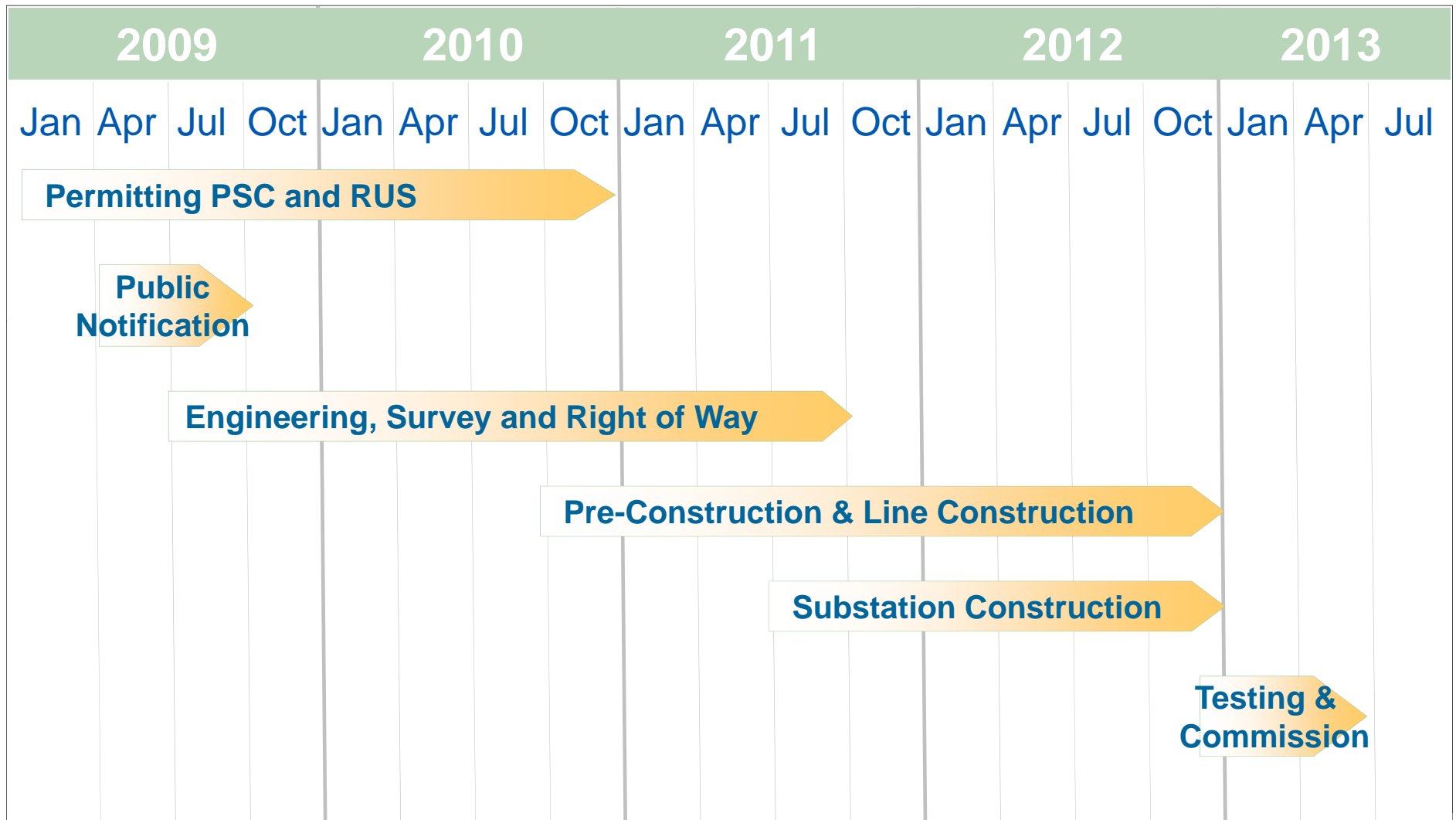
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A redistribution of existing power that eliminates the need for a new coal-fired plant

- Allows Minnesota Power to develop more North Dakota wind energy
- Transfers full energy rights of Young Station Unit 2 to Minnkota Power
- Calls for 225 miles of new transmission from Center, N.D. to Grand Forks, N.D.

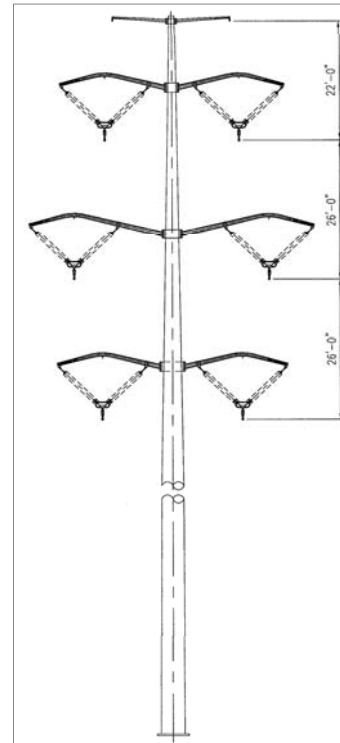
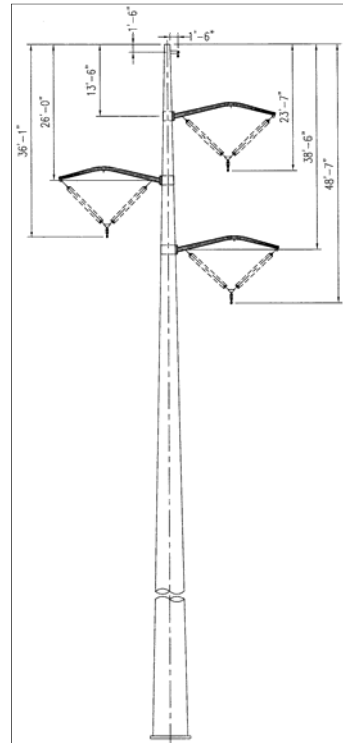


Center to Grand Forks Project Timeline



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Typical 345kV Structures



Where Will the Actual Line Be?

The location of the line will take into consideration:

- Right of Way
- Natural & Cultural Resources
- Buildings
- Residential Dwellings
- Compatibility with Comprehensive Plans
- Future Planning Districts
- Agricultural Considerations
- Utilities
- Length of the Line

Agencies involved include:

- Rural Utilities Service (RUS)
- North Dakota Public Service Commission (PSC)
- Counties and Townships
- Other Federal, State and Local Agencies

How Can You Get Involved?

Talk to a member of the project team if you know the locations of:

- Private airstrips
- Private cemeteries
- Native artifacts
- Other areas of local significance

Participate in upcoming meetings and comment periods.

- Join the mailing list
- Visit us on the web at www.minnkota.com

