

MEETING NOTIFICATION: Proposed Transmission Line Rebuild

April 23, 2024

Dear Neighbor:

As part of our commitment to providing safe, reliable service to our customers, Central Maine Power Company's (CMP) will be rebuilding our electricity transmission system in Winslow beginning late 2024 and continuing into 2025. A proposed alternative route will include a transmission line in your community.

We are writing to you because you live near or will travel by the work site and/or the proposed route.

Referred to as Section 1, the 34.5kV transmission line travels 23 miles from Augusta East Side Substation on North Belfast Avenue off Route 3 to Winslow Substation near Benton Road, serving approximately 8,000 customers. Built in 1929, the original transmission line needs replacement due to the age of poles, conductor, and crossarms; limited work clearances; and insulators that are prone to failure thus raising significant structural and reliability concerns. The upgrades will improve system resiliency to ensure that safe transmission of power is maintained.

The Maine Public Utilities Commission (MPUC) has approved the Section 1 rebuild from Augusta up to Winslow. MPUC currently is considering a proposal to re-route a small portion of Section 1 into the Section 40 corridor, also in Winslow. This will require upgrades to the current Section 40 transmission line, including new poles that will be double circuited with both S-1 and S-40 transmission lines. Existing structures would be removed. Section 1's existing two-mile route in Winslow would then be decommissioned and removed. By doing so, two transmission lines will be upgraded, and overall project costs are reduced.

We invite you to join us and learn more about this alternative route proposal at a Public Information Meeting at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, May 8, at Town of Winslow Parks and Recreation, 114 Benton Road, Winslow.

CMP's plans are presented in the enclosed Section 1 and Section 40 Transmission Lines fact sheet.

If you have any questions, please contact our Project Outreach Team at 1-888-267-0831 and be sure to reference "Section 1" and our specialist will be in touch with you or email us at Outreach@cmpco.com.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation as we undertake this endeavor.

