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Grain Belt Express

Welcome to the Grain Belt Express project newsletter. You are receiving this newsletter because you have either been previously notified of Grain Belt Express activities or have asked for updates on the project. In this newsletter we share updates on the project and what landowners and neighbors can expect in the coming months. You can also visit the new GrainBeltExpress.com to keep up with the latest on the project.

From everyone at the Grain Belt Express project team, we wish you a safe and joyous holiday season and Happy New Year.

AN ENERGY SOLUTION FOR AMERICA'S HEARTLAND

Families and businesses are facing rising costs and power grid operators are sounding the alarm about regional reliability challenges. Grain Belt Express is a regional electricity solution that will deliver billions of dollars in energy cost savings and greater reliability for consumers right here in the Midwest.

Grain Belt Express will deliver more power and savings locally — including to 39 municipal utilities across Missouri and to rural communities, small towns, and cities across the Midwest. The project represents the equivalent of about four new nuclear power plants in transmission capacity to better meet regional energy needs. In addition to energy cost savings and reliability, Grain Belt Express will bring billions of dollars in economic investment to Kansas, Missouri, and Illinois, supporting workers, families, and communities.

Did you know?

Grain Belt Express will enhance reliability for four regional power grids, which serve:

 **40%**
of U.S. homes

 **Over 25%**
of Department of Defense installations

postage

GRAIN BELT EXPRESS PROJECT BENEFITS



Energy savings & reliability



Job creation



Local economy tax revenue



National energy security and independence

FOR LANDOWNERS: UPDATES AND WHAT’S AHEAD

Grain Belt Express recently announced a plan to deliver more power and energy savings benefiting more consumers throughout the Midwest. The project also plans to pursue construction in two phases, Grain Belt Express Phase 1 and 2, with Phase 1 moving ahead of Phase 2 to begin delivering local benefits sooner. For landowners, it is important to know which phase your parcels are part of. Each phase and the activities associated with them are detailed more below. All plans are subject to regulatory approvals.

Phase 1 Route: Kansas to Northeast Missouri

Phase 1 includes:	Phase 1 status:	Phase 1 schedule:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">All land parcels in Kansas on the approved high-voltage direct current (HVDC) route.All parcels in Missouri on the approved HVDC route from the Kansas-Missouri border to the Missouri converter station proposed in Monroe County.All parcels along the Tiger Connector delivery link proposed in Monroe, Audrain, and Callaway Counties in Missouri.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Along the approved HVDC route in Kansas and Missouri, landowner engagement and easement negotiations have been underway and are continuing.In January 2023, Phase 1 landowners and adjacent property owners should expect to receive notice from the U.S. Department of Energy regarding the start of the federal environmental review process for Grain Belt Express Phase 1.The Missouri Public Service Commission is currently reviewing Grain Belt Express’s proposed Tiger Connector route. A final decision, including on the route, if approved, is expected in mid-2023.Grain Belt Express expects to begin outreach to Tiger Connector landowners in 2023.Surveys and engineering field work continue on Phase 1.	<p>Grain Belt Express will be ready to start full construction on Phase 1 by the end of 2024, pending regulatory reviews.</p>

Phase 2 Route: Northeast Missouri to Indiana

Phase 2 includes:	Phase 2 status:	Phase 2 schedule:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">All land parcels on the approved HVDC route between the Missouri converter station proposed in Monroe County to the Missouri-Illinois border.All parcels along the Illinois route (pending approval).All parcels along the Indiana approved route.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Along the approved HVDC route in Missouri, landowner engagement and easement negotiations have been underway and are continuing.The Illinois Commerce Commission is currently reviewing Grain Belt Express’s Proposed and Alternate Routes. A final decision, including on the route, if approved, is expected in March 2023.Grain Belt Express expects to begin outreach to Illinois landowners in 2023.	<p>A schedule for Phase 2 has not yet been announced. Phase 2 will follow Phase 1, and we are fully committed to both phases of the project.</p>

For landowners with specific questions about how the project impacts their property, please contact your right of way agent or Grain Belt Express directly by emailing us at connect@grainbeltexpress.com or calling 866.425.4082.

COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAM

We are committed to supporting route communities through meaningful and sustained engagement. As a result, Grain Belt Express established a community grant program to support local causes and initiatives along the route. These one-time, \$500 grants are evaluated and awarded quarterly.

Recipients of the Community Grant Program include: United Way of Greater St. Joseph in Missouri, supporting their annual campaign; West Union Community Fire Protection District in Illinois, helping purchase personal protective gear; and the Luray Community Foundation in Kansas, supporting a much-needed renovation for the historic Pospishil Building.



Community Cause Spotlight

“Small towns need good community partners, and we are grateful for the Grain Belt Express community grant program. Donations and grants like these will help us save the historic Pospishil Building, which dates to the 1800s and is something for our community to behold.”

— Delinda Petty, Vice President & Treasurer
Luray Community Foundation

ENGAGING LOCAL SUPPLIERS

Work is already underway to build a local supplier network needed to get a job like Grain Belt Express done. In July, PAR Electrical Contractors, headquartered in Kansas City, joined Grain Belt Express to host a supplier informational event in St. Louis. Representatives from 30 route-area and statewide supplier companies attended the event to learn more about the project.

At the event, Invenergy Transmission presented information about the services, scale, and resources needed to build this critically important energy project for our region and country.

Opportunity for Local Suppliers

Did you know construction of Phase 1 of Grain Belt Express is expected to use:

13,000+	180,000	32,000
tons of steel rebar	cubic yards of concrete	tons of aluminum and steel

Grain Belt Express means opportunity for suppliers, manufacturers, small businesses, and entrepreneurs throughout the Midwest. In all, it represents \$20 billion in new clean energy infrastructure between the line and new energy generation it will enable. This investment will support 22,300 direct construction jobs and \$2.5 billion in worker earnings during construction.

Grain Belt Express expects to host more local supplier informational events in 2023.

Community Spotlight

“In my county, Grain Belt Express is a solution that will give families and businesses access to affordable and reliable utilities, so they don’t have to make tradeoffs that impact their well-being and security.”

— Stan Falke, Presiding Commissioner
Carroll County, Missouri

“The price and reliability of energy is one of our largest concerns and will only be solved by pro-growth solutions like Grain Belt Express. Manufacturers use one-third of all energy consumed in the United States. You can’t have a strong business climate if manufacturers are worried about the reliability and cost of their power supply. There’s no question manufacturers and the communities they support across our region will see significant benefits thanks to this essential investment.”

— Mark Denzler, President & CEO
Illinois Manufacturers’ Association



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