

# GRAND PRAIRIE GATEWAY PROJECT

ComEd's proposed Grand Prairie Gateway Project is a new 345kV electric transmission line to be constructed between ComEd's existing substations near the communities of Byron and Wayne. The new line will connect these substations and travel across the counties of Ogle, DeKalb, Kane and DuPage. The proposed transmission line will include single-pole steel structures.

## IMPROVED ELECTRICITY DELIVERY

High voltage electricity is moved across the electric grid by transmission lines. Just like highways that don't have enough lanes, transmission lines with insufficient capacity become congested, reducing efficiencies and increasing costs of delivering power. PJM Interconnection, the independent regional transmission grid operator and planner for the ComEd service territory, has approved the Grand Prairie Gateway Project as the best solution for addressing current system congestion and ensuring the continued efficient flow of electricity across northern Illinois.

## PROJECT BENEFITS

The addition of this new transmission line will allow for more efficient flow of electricity across the grid, alleviating congestion and reducing costs. The proposed line adds a third west-east path across the ComEd territory, which provides ComEd with more options to meet customer needs.

## TRANSMISSION LINE SITING PROCESS

The project requires approval by the Illinois Commerce Commission (ICC) following a public proceeding. This summer and fall, ComEd will conduct a series of public open houses in Ogle, DeKalb and Kane counties. These events will be advertised in local newspapers and a website ([ComEd.com/GrandPrairieGateway](http://ComEd.com/GrandPrairieGateway)) will provide additional information and updates.

Through an integrated process incorporating input from the public and other community stakeholders, ComEd will identify a primary route for the transmission line and at least one alternate route within the project study area (see reverse side). The final route must be approved by the ICC.

## PROJECT TIMELINE

ComEd expects to file a request for approval with the ICC before the end of 2013, and the Commission has up to 225 days to announce its decision. The project is anticipated to be completed and begin service by June 2017.

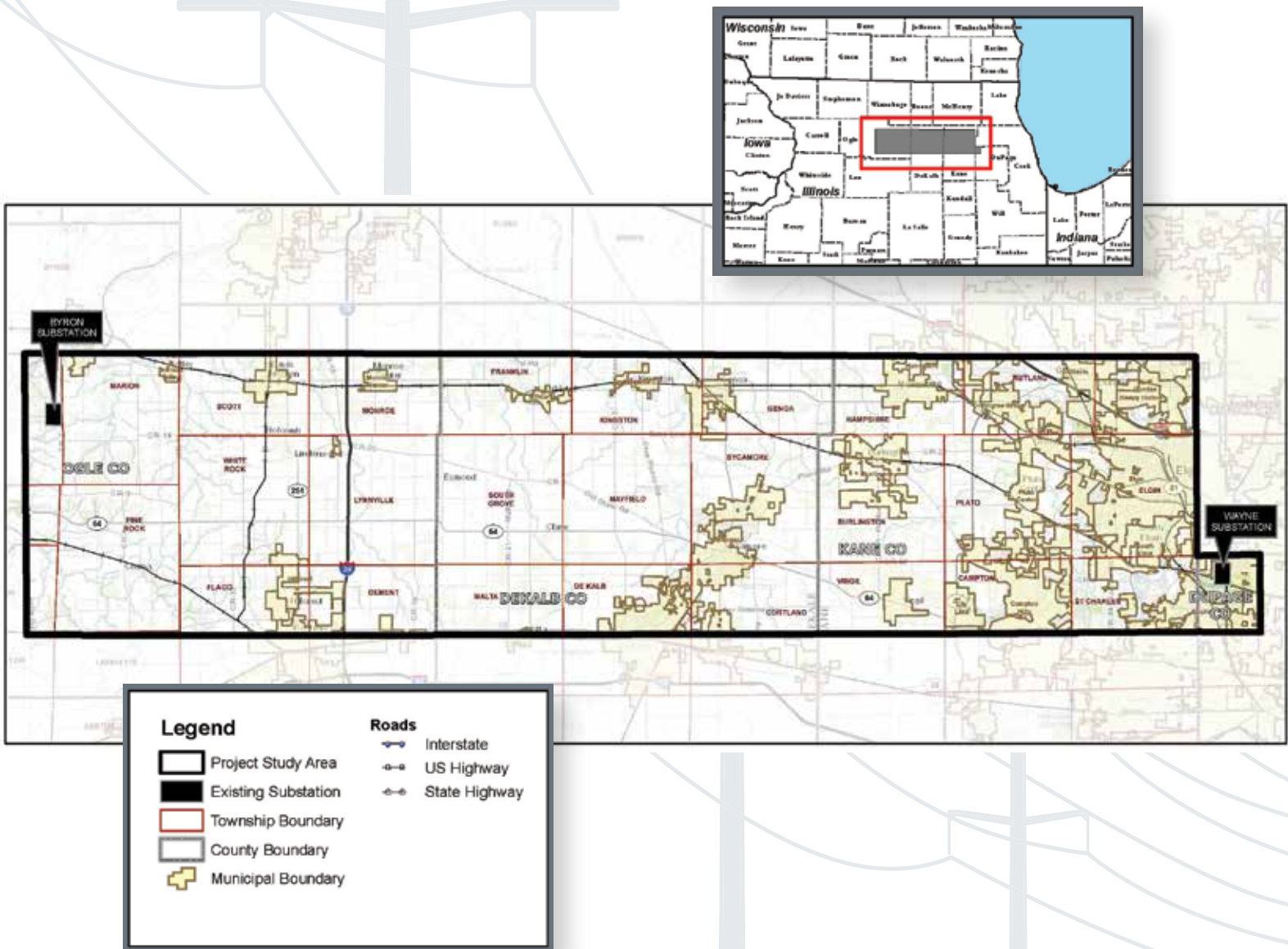
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## TRANSMISSION LINE STUDY AREA



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