

Clean Energy Update

A Project Progress Report - August 2023



The photo at left shows a portion of the NYES corridor as our crews prepared to remove the existing lattice structures. At right is the same location today with the new monopoles in place and site restoration underway.

Corridor Restoration is Key Part of Completing Electric Transmission Build-out

Dear NYES Neighbor:

When New York Transco began the New York Energy Solution (NYES) electric transmission modernization project in March of 2021, we pledged to restore the transmission corridor to the same or better condition than before construction began. We hope you'll find that we're living up to our promise.

Restoration is now complete on 85% of the 55-mile corridor. This includes removal of wooden matting, re-seeding areas disturbed by construction activities, and coordinating with agricultural properties on appropriate seed mixes. The corridor restoration will be monitored over the next two years to ensure proper growth.

In addition to the corridor, we're also working to restore the temporary laydown yards in Claverack and Ghent, respectively. These locations served as storage sites for equipment and materials and as crew gathering points. We anticipate full restoration of these sites by Fall 2023, with on-going monitoring of vegetation growth. For New York Transco, completing our restoration in a responsible and environmentally sound manner is just as important as ensuring our construction work is performed safely and with minimal disruption.

We appreciate the cooperation and collaboration we have received from our neighbors and the surrounding communities as we work to make our state's electrical transmission system more reliable for customers and capable of meeting New York's nation-leading clean energy goals. To that end, we'd love to hear your thoughts on our process and efforts to date; **a QR code linking to an online survey is on the back of this mailer.**

We will continue to keep you updated as we near the completion of our project. If you have any questions in the meantime, please don't hesitate to reach out using the contact information below.

Sincerely,

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We're always here to answer your questions about NYES in your community: Toll-free (855) 433-3611 | info@ny-es.com | NY-ES.com

Please Share Your Feedback: **How'd We Do?**

As we near completion of the NYES project and begin to improve the electric transmission system in other parts of the state, your feedback on our job performance will be very helpful. Please use the QR code or visit <u>URL bit.ly/NYESSurvey</u> to complete a brief survey. If you'd prefer to answer these questions by phone, simply leave your name and phone number at 1-855-433-3611. A member of our community outreach team will call you back soon.



Scan code to take our brief online survey

Here are the things we'd like to get your feedback on:

- How would you rate New York Transco's performance in minimizing neighborhood impacts during construction?
- If post-construction restoration work has begun in the transmission corridor in your area, how would you rate its success (regrowth of grass, crops, other vegetation, etc.)?
- How well did New York Transco communicate with you about the NYES project and what forms of communication did you find most helpful?
- Is there anything more you'd like to share about your experience with the project or our team?

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- New York's Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act requires the state to transition to 70% renewable energy by 2030 and 100% zero-emissions by 2040.
- 80% of New York's transmission infrastructure entered service before 1980 and needs upgrades to carry the necessary amount of clean energy from generators to consumers.

HOW OUR PROJECT HELPS



NYES, along with other transmission modernization projects, will relieve transmission congestion and unlock 2,100MW of clean energy.

- **55-mile project**, in an existing transmission corridor or utility-owned land in 11 towns in 3 counties over a 3-year construction schedule.
- **230 fewer structures** by replacing 686 80-year-old transmission structures with 456 modern, stronger and weather-resistant structures.
- New 345kV transmission line to deliver more renewable energy.
- **2 new electric substations, 1 rebuilt, 17 upgraded** helping deliver clean energy where it's needed most.