Pedernales Electric Cooperative

T328 Buda to Manchaca Transmission Line Upgrade Project - Phase 1

Why is this project necessary?
This project will help meet the area's growing demand for electrical power and improve system reliability.

What is the schedule for the project?
Construction is expected to begin in January 2027 and be completed by June 2027. The schedule is subject to change based on weather conditions, the delivery of materials, site conditions, and construction crew coordination.

What type of work will take place?
The project consists of upgrading approximately 2 miles of the existing transmission line between the Buda and Manchaca substations in Hays and Travis Counties. Impacted neighborhoods include The Hills of Bear Creek and Persimmon community.

Construction activities will include:

- Surveying
- Vegetation management
- Installing environmental protection measures
- Preparing the transmission line easement(s) for heavy equipment such as bucket trucks and cranes
- Removing existing transmission structures
- Installing new transmission structures and wire
- Restoring damaged areas following construction

Who will be accessing the easement on my property during the project?
PEC employees and contractors will be performing construction activities within the transmission line easement(s). Property owners may notice crews accessing their property intermittently during the construction timeframe, with periods of active work followed by periods where no PEC crews and/or contractors are present.

What is the impact to my property?
PEC and its contractors will attempt to minimize impacts where feasible. They will be working within the existing transmission line easement(s), although in some cases PEC may work with property owners to utilize area outside of the easement(s) to gain access to certain work areas. During construction, property

owners can expect to see PEC employees and contractors come and go depending on the work at the time. Equipment will also be staged on-site as needed.

Landscaping, driveways, fences, and other improvements that encroach into the transmission line easement are subject to potential disturbance or damage during construction. **PEC is not responsible for damage to or replacement of any encroachments within the transmission line easement(s)**. For more information regarding transmission line easements, please visit our website, here.

Will my power go out during construction?
While PEC does not guarantee the continuous provision of power, we do not anticipate any localized outages being required to complete this project at this time.

What will the structures look like?
The structures will be galvanized steel pole structures approximately 3 feet to 7 feet in diameter and 85 feet to 125 feet tall. See Exhibit A for renderings.

Where will the structures be located?
The new structures will be placed within PEC's transmission line easement(s). The exact locations will be identified by survey crews prior to construction.

Why is vegetation clearing and maintenance necessary in the transmission line easement(s)?
Vegetation management is an important part of maintaining a safe and reliable electric transmission system. Trees and other vegetation located too close to transmission lines may create safety hazards, cause power outages, interfere with system reliability, or limit access for construction, maintenance, and emergency response activities.

What restoration work will occur once construction is complete?
Where appropriate, restoration activities may include cleanup of construction materials, grading and repair of disturbed ground, and reseeding or stabilization of affected areas.

If you have additional questions, contact PEC's Transmission team at (830) 868-6363 or email transmission@peci.com. Please include your name and address.

Exhibit A – Structure Picture

