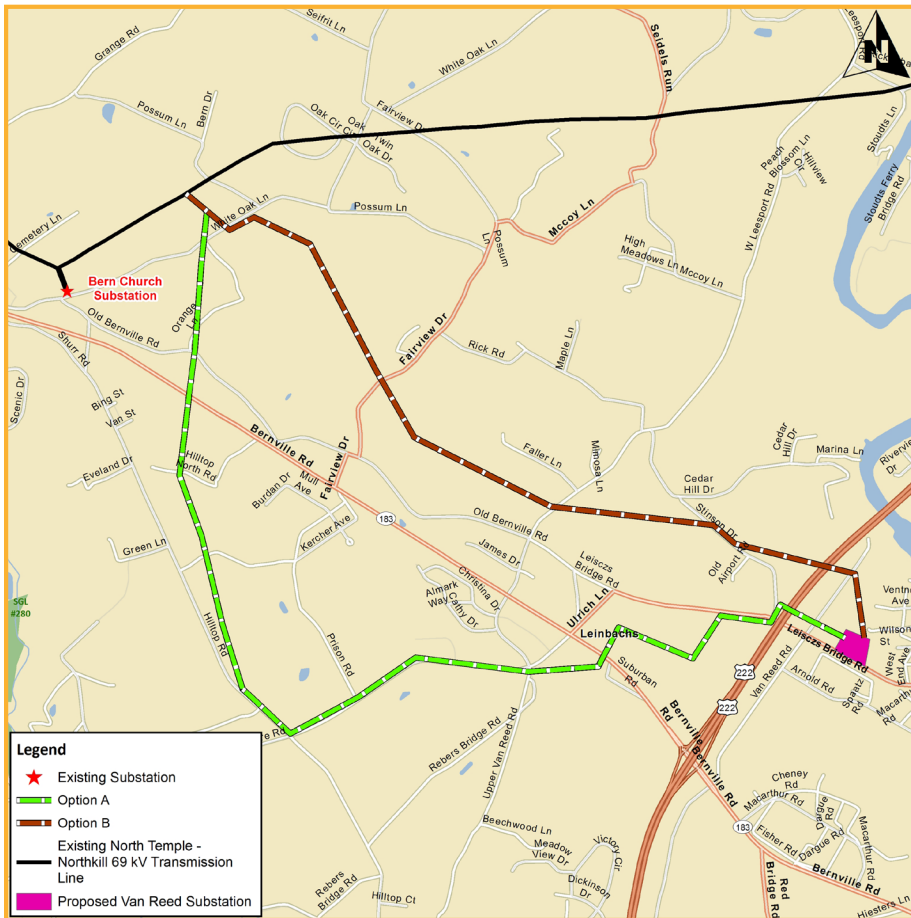


VAN REED 69-KILOVOLT TRANSMISSION PROJECT

At FirstEnergy, it's our responsibility to deliver the power our customers depend on in their daily lives. Met-Ed, a FirstEnergy electric utility, has identified a need for a new substation and distribution line capacity that will require a 69-kilovolt (kV) transmission line near the Reading Airport in Berks County, Pennsylvania to enhance service reliability for existing customers and support higher electrical demand associated with planned business expansion. Mid-Atlantic Interstate Transmission, LLC (MAIT), FirstEnergy's transmission affiliate company, is proposing to build the Van Reed 69-kV Transmission Line to the new substation in Bern Township from an existing transmission line.

ROUTING

A detailed routing study is underway to identify two potential line routes for the project. These routes are carefully evaluated to minimize impacts to environmentally sensitive areas, property owners and communities. The substation will be placed on an easement obtained by Met-Ed along Leiscz Bridge Road near Van Reed Road.

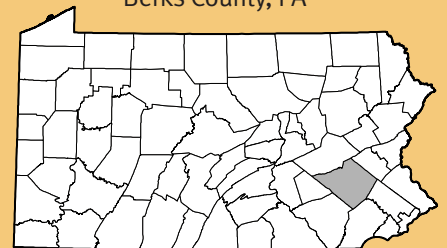


PROJECT NEED

The project is necessary to facilitate future load growth and enhance service reliability for more than 6,000 Met-Ed customers in the Leesport and Reading areas. The project provides additional electric capacity in the area to accommodate planned growth,

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Project Location:
Berks County, PA



business expansion, and support service reliability. Distribution circuits will also be reconfigured to enable faster service restoration during outages.

EASEMENTS

Wood pole and/or steel structures will be located within a new 60-foot right-of-way along the final route. MAIT and FirstEnergy will negotiate with property owners to obtain the easements and vegetation management rights to support the new transmission line.

PERMITTING

Detailed wetland, stream and other environmental and historical evaluations will be performed along the proposed transmission line routes, and necessary permits will be secured from state and federal agencies prior to construction.

CONSTRUCTION

Substation construction will begin in April 2020, with line construction set to start in March 2020. All new facilities will be placed in service by October 2020. FirstEnergy will build this project through its MAIT transmission affiliate.

PRELIMINARY PROJECT TIMELINE

July 2019 Public Open House
Summer 2019 Real Estate Negotiations
Spring 2020 Start of Substation Construction
Spring 2020 Start of Transmission Line Construction
Fall 2020 Project Completed and In Service

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