



November 15, 2024

## IMPORTANT MESSAGE ABOUT YOUR PROPERTY

«Owner\_Name» «Owner\_Street» «Owner\_City», «Owner\_State» «Owner\_Zip»

## **RE: Deshler Second Source Reinforcement Route Announcement**

Dear Neighbor,

You are receiving this letter because you own property or live in the area where AMP Transmission, LLC (AMPT) plans to upgrade the local power grid between the Village of Deshler and the Village of Weston. AMPT announced earlier this year the plan to construct the new 69kilovolt (kV) transmission line between the existing Deshler Bremer (North) Substation and the new FirstEnergy (FE) Sand Ridge Substation located west of Weston, Ohio. We're writing to update you that a route for the Deshler Second Source Reinforcement Project has been selected.

## The location and alignment of the route for the new 69-kV transmission line are identified on the enclosed map and can be accessed online: <a href="http://www.amppartners.org/deshlerproject">www.amppartners.org/deshlerproject</a>.

The Project will improve reliability and reduce the number and duration of customer outages caused by a single transmission line outage. In addition, this improvement will accommodate future growth and economic development in the Village and surrounding area.

AMPT representatives engaged the community and solicited public comments in various ways, including an in-person open house on April 29, 2024, landowner notification letters, and postagepaid comment postcards. Additionally, AMPT provided contact information, including an email address and phone number. As part of the route selection process, AMPT carefully reviewed and considered community input in addition to other factors, such as safety, reliability, land use, cultural and natural resources, engineering, environmental impact, and constructability. Through this evaluation process, AMPT has selected a route with the least overall impact to the community.

The next steps for the Project include:

- Right-of-Way survey permission and easement negotiations led by Western Land Services
- Property surveys (e.g., natural resources, cultural resources, property boundary survey)
  - This may include staking to mark the Project area, crews walking the area and conducting shovel tests to identify archaeological artifacts, and the collection of information about the habitats and physical attributes of the project area.
- Engineering design
- Permitting

If you are the owner of an affected parcel or parcels along the Proposed Route where a new transmission corridor is proposed, a right-of-way (ROW) agent from Western Land Services, a real estate consultant firm retained on behalf of AMPT, will contact you at a later date to further discuss the Project.

More details can be viewed at the Project website: <u>www.amppartners.org/deshlerproject</u> If you have questions or concerns about the project, please contact our real estate team via email at <u>paula.shriver@westernls.com</u>, or by phone at 800-968-4840 ext. 2234.

Sincerely,

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