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Public invited to attend open houses for Minnesota Power's new 345-kV transmission line's preliminary route

Minnesota Power is hosting a series of open houses this week where members of the public can ask questions and provide input on the ISA Transmission Project's preliminary route.

The ISA Transmission Project is Minnesota Power's proposed 63-mile-long, 345-kV transmission line from its Iron Range Substation near Grand Rapids, Minnesota, to its St. Louis County Substation near Hermantown, Minnesota, with a connection to American Transmission Company's nearby Arrowhead Substation.

Based on input gathered during the first phase of public open houses in May and coordination with tribes and agencies, Minnesota Power refined the initial study area to identify a preliminary route. This second round of open houses will help identify the proposed route that will be submitted to the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission.

ISA, the Iron Range – St. Louis County – Arrowhead Transmission Project, is one of the transmission projects approved by the regional grid operator, Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO), in its 2024 Long-Range Transmission Planning portfolio. The project is an investment in supporting and strengthening a reliable, resilient and flexible grid as the demand for energy grows and more renewable energy comes online.

The open house schedule is in the table below. Project displays and detailed maps will be available for review, and project team members will be available to answer questions.

Wednesday, August 6	Thursday, August 7
Noon – 2:00 PM	1:00-3:00 PM
Coleraine City Hall/Nyberg Community	Hermantown Government Center/City
Center	Hall – Training Center
302 Roosevelt Ave	5105 Maple Grove Road
Coleraine, MN 55722	Hermantown, MN 55811
5:00-7:00 PM	5:00-7:00 PM
Floodwood Event Center	Solway Town Hall
201 W 7th Avenue	4029 Munger Shaw Road
Floodwood, MN 55736	Cloquet, MN 55720

For more information about the project or to view the virtual, self-guided open house, visit ISATransmissionProject.com. To ask a question, leave a comment, or be added to the project mailing list, send an email to connect@ISATransmissionProject.com or call the project hotline at 1-888-510-5303.

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