Babbitt Area
115 kV Transmission Line Project



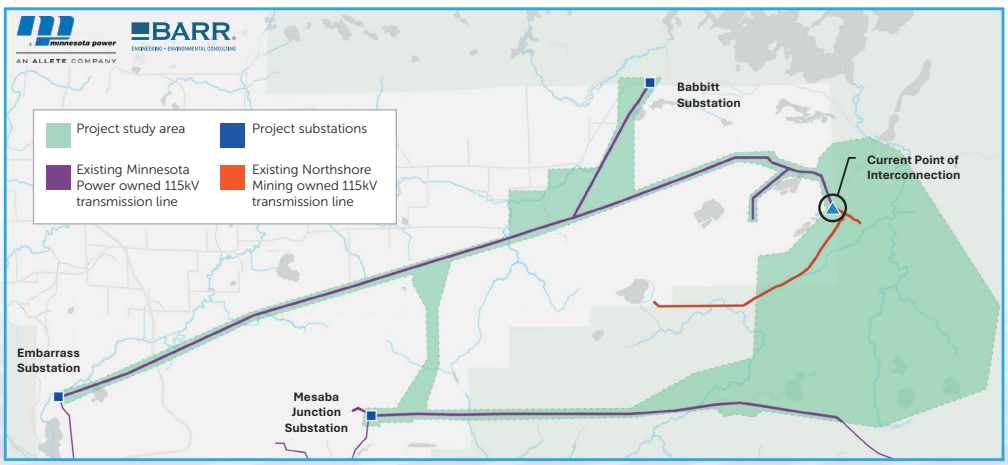
PROJECT OVERVIEW

Minnesota Power is developing and rebuilding high voltage electric transmission facilities in St. Louis County, Minnesota. The proposed project will enhance transmission system reliability for customers in the Babbitt area by establishing a second, redundant, transmission source to the Babbitt area, enabling maintenance and upgrade of the existing transmission line, and relieving congestion on the grid across the east range and north shore. The project consists of the following components:

Construction of a New 115 kV Transmission line extending from Mesaba Junction Substation to the Northshore Mine owned transmission interconnection, and then to the Babbitt Substation.

Rebuild of the Existing 115 kV transmission line between the Babbitt and Embarrass Substations.

Expansion of the Babbitt 115 kV Substation, and upgrades to the existing Embarrass and Mesaba Junction Substations.



PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

Minnesota Power will continue to gather information from the public to support the development of potential routes for the Project. There will also be additional opportunities for any interested parties to ask questions and provide comments during the permitting process.

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PROJECT SCHEDULE

2026	2026-2027	MAY-OCT 2027	2028	2030-2031
Project planning, engagement, and route development	Minnesota Public Utilities Commission Route Permitting Process	Environmental surveys, local and environmental permitting	Start of construction	Anticipated in-service

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