

August 2022



To Our Community Leaders, Public Organizations, and Residents:

Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation will soon begin a state-approved construction project to rebuild approximately 23-miles of electric transmission lines that serve thousands of residents and businesses in Ulster and Greene Counties and a portion of this work will take place within your community.

In compliance with the New York State Department of Public Service, this letter will provide you with the following information:

- Central Hudson's news release regarding the project; and
- A copy of the letter and maps that were sent to area landowners;

Contractors for Central Hudson will be performing most of the work and will be overseen by Central Hudson employees, an on-site environmental and agricultural monitor, and various New York State Departments such as Public Service, Environmental Conservation, Agriculture and Markets, Transportation, and the Thruway Authority. Local municipalities and counties are also involved in permitting for stormwater management and road/highway work, as well as the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for federal wetland and stream permitting.

Please post this information as you see fit in any community or town bulletin boards.

If you have questions or concerns regarding this project, it is preferred that you use Central Hudson's dedicated project phoneline at **844-428-7319**. Alternatively, you may email us at:

H-SB-Rebuild@cenhud.com

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chris Rottkamp".

Christopher Rottkamp
Director of Project Management
Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corp

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Dear Property Owner / Resident:

Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation will begin work on rebuilding an existing 23-mile electric transmission line near or on your property to help meet the energy needs of local communities in your area and to enhance electric service reliability. The transmission lines, named “H” and “SB,” begin in Kingston and travel northward through the towns of Ulster and Saugerties, terminating in Catskill. The lattice structures and lines were originally built around 1928 and need replacement.

The Project received approval from the Public Service Commission (Commission) on August 14, 2020 when the Commission issued an Order adopting a Joint Proposal which authorized the issuance of a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need (Certificate). Prior to the commencement of construction, the Commission must also approve Central Hudson’s Environmental Management and Construction Plan (EM&CP), which contains details on how construction of the Project will be accomplished and mitigation measures that will be implemented to ensure there will be minimal (if any) impact to the environment and property owners who live adjacent to the line. It is expected that the Commission will soon approve the EM&CP.

Schedule

The project is expected to commence on or about September 1, 2022 at the most southern point in Kingston and will proceed northward over the course of the next several years. Completion in Catskill is scheduled for mid-2026. While the line replacement work is anticipated to flow south to north over these 4 years, sitework preparations including some construction entrances, access road grading and culvert replacements will occur in advance at certain locations.

This notification is not intended to specify when work will occur near your specific location. Instead, you will receive an additional notification letter 7 – 45 days prior to construction activities near your property.

General Work Being Performed

The line will be reconstructed within the existing right-of-way easement, except for a 1.2-mile reroute occurring within a quarry property on the border of Saugerties and Catskill to avoid a large wetland (Great Vly). Nearly all existing lattice-type structures and wires will be replaced, and some will be relocated within the easement. Most existing lattice-type structures will be replaced by a streamlined and sturdy single pole made of Corten steel, which features a characteristic brown, wood-like patina. Although exceptions exist along the 23-mile route, the following illustrates general existing and future conditions:

Typical Existing Lattice Structure and Line



Rendition of New Pole and Line



Typical activities during the project will include: Placement of survey stakes/flags (we kindly ask these not be disturbed); mowing and brush removal; selective tree removals; develop access routes and entrances,

laydown areas for equipment, vehicles and materials; grading of terrain in select areas as required for safe travel of vehicles and equipment; placement of matting to protect environmentally sensitive areas such as wetlands and agricultural land; gas line protection and induced-voltage mitigation (buried zinc ribbon) at select locations; installation of concrete pole foundations at select locations; placement of new poles and wires; removal and proper disposal and recycling of existing structures and wires; and when completed, removal of matting and equipment, and restoration of disturbed soils.

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Further Information & Contacts

A high-level project area map is enclosed for reference. Detailed maps and plans for each section of the project, project filings, studies and other information are available online at:

- cenhud.com/en/about-us/projects/hsb-transmission-project/
- documents.dps.ny.gov/public/MatterManagement/CaseMaster.aspx?MatterSeq=55444&MNO=17-T-0816

or at the following public document repositories:

- Saugerties Public Library
- Town of Ulster Public Library

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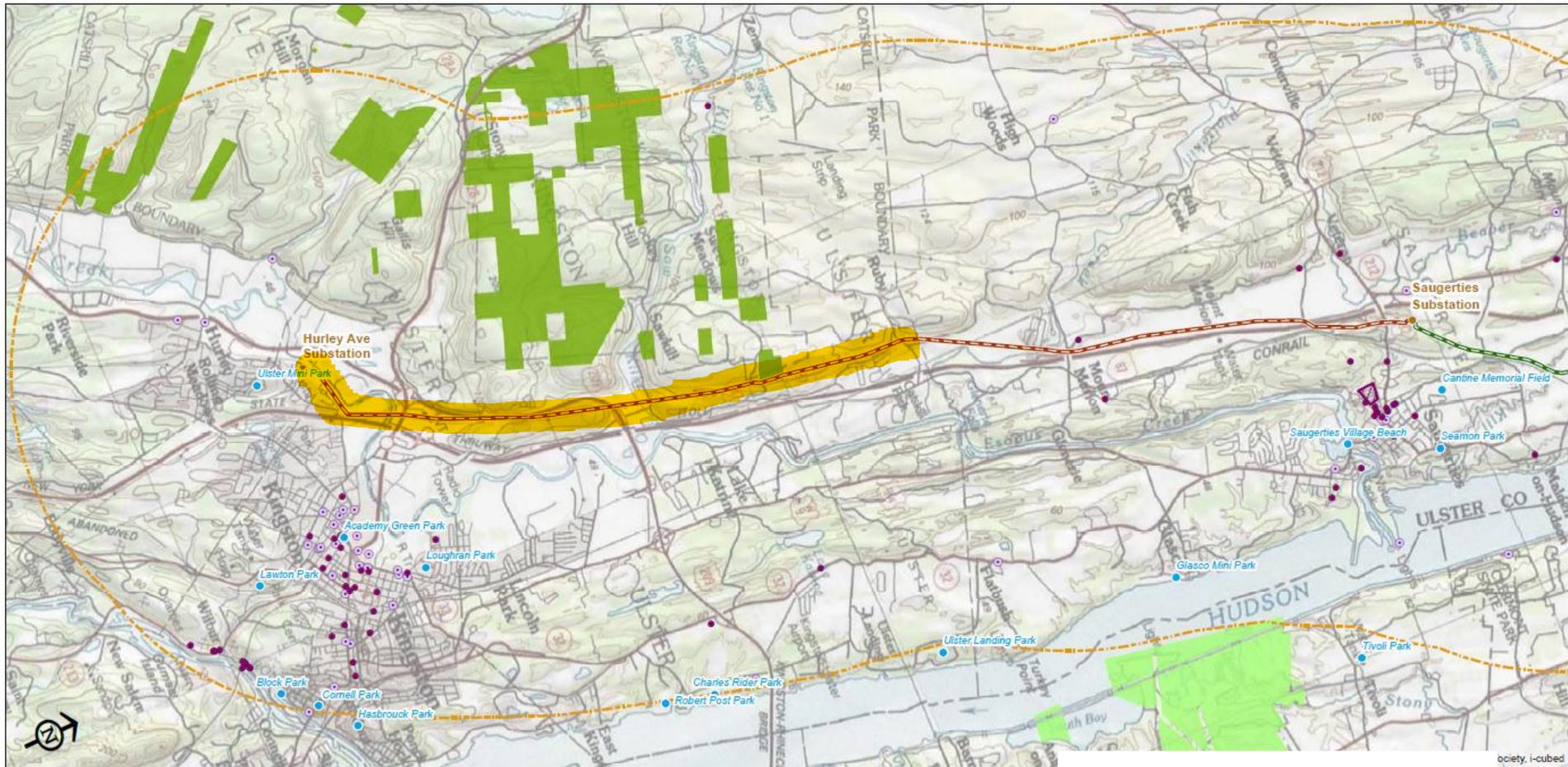
The Project is under the jurisdiction of the New York State Public Service Commission (PSC), which is responsible for enforcing compliance with environmental and construction conditions:

3 Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY 12223-1350; (518) 474-4535; secretary@dps.ny.gov
Department of Public Service Environmental Certification and Compliance Section (EC&C): (518) 474-8702.

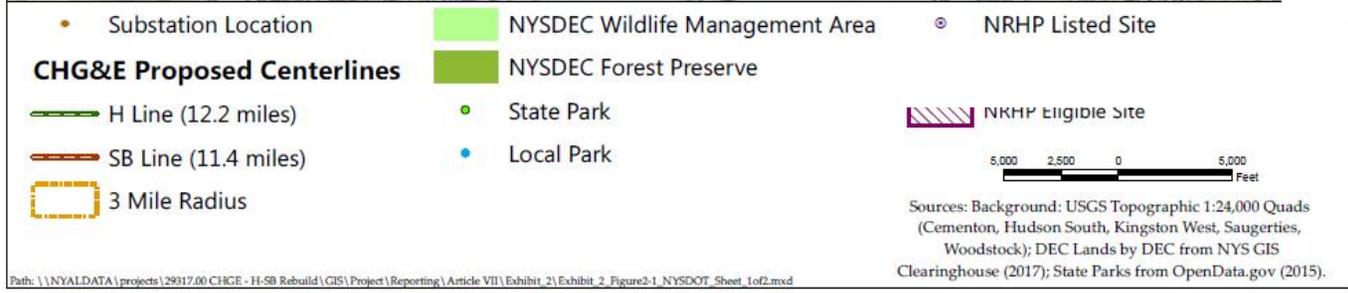
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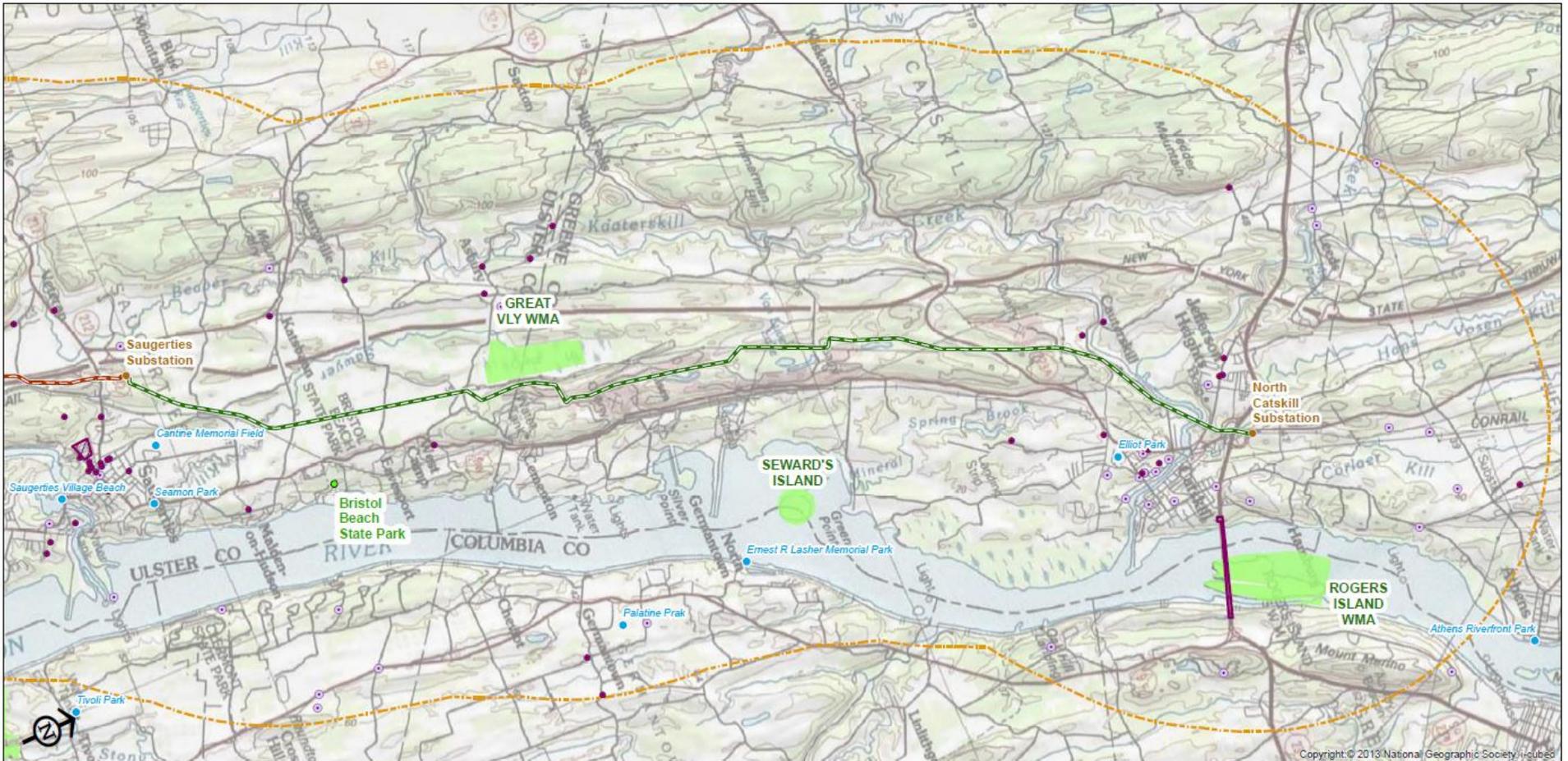


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H and SB Electric Transmission Lines Rebuild Project

Figure 2-1: NYSDOT 1:24,000 Map of Transmission Facility
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- Substation Location
- CHG&E Proposed Centerlines
- H Line (12.2 miles)
- SB Line (11.4 miles)
- 3 Mile Radius
- NYSDEC Wildlife Management Area
- NYSDEC Forest Preserve
- State Park
- Local Park
- NRHP Listed Site
- NRHP Eligible Site
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Sources: Background: USGS Topographic 1:24,000 Quads (Cementon, Hudson South, Kingston West, Saugerties, Woodstock); DEC Lands by DEC from NYS GIS Clearinghouse (2017); State Parks from OpenData.gov (2015).

