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PSC Schedules Public Hearing for Proposed Transmission Line in Mountrail County

BISMARCK, ND – The North Dakota Public Service Commission (PSC) will hold a public hearing on Thursday, May 6, regarding a proposal to construct an electric transmission line in Mountrail County.

Basin Electric Power Cooperative is proposing to construct a 230 kilovolt (kV) electric transmission line approximately 26.5 miles long extending from the existing Neset Substation to a new proposed Northshore Substation in Mountrail County. Basin has indicated that the transmission line is needed due to load growth in the area. The project will include 95 steel single-pole structures (70-115 feet in height) and 89 steel H-frame structures (70-120 feet in height). Guy wires will not be used. Estimated cost of the project is \$57.4 million.

The project would be located approximately four miles east of Tioga and seven miles south of Ross. The project runs in a south-east direction. (Note to the media: A map showing the proposed location of the project has been provided to you for use with any announcements/stories you print.)

Details for the public hearing are as follows:

- **Thursday, May 6, 2021 – 9:30 a.m. Central**
- **Mountrail County South Complex**
8103 61st Street NW
Stanley, ND 58784

The hearing provides an opportunity for members of the public to contribute to the PSC's official record. Any comments from members of the public must be received at the hearing to be part of the record. People with concerns, questions or support/opposition for the project are encouraged to attend the hearing and present their information. Information received after the hearing will not be part of the official record and cannot be used as a basis for the Commission's decision unless certain additional procedures are followed.

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