# DUPONT - JOSLIN TRANSMISSION LINE REBUILD PROJECT

AEP Texas representatives plan to rebuild approximately 33 miles of the Dupont Joslin 138 - kilovolt (kV) line in Victoria and Calhoun counties. Crews plan to begin construction early 2026 and conclude summer 2027.

### **CONSTRUCTION FAQ**

## PROJECT COMPONENTS & BENEFITS

Project benefits include:

- Replacing wooden structures from 1966 with modern steel structures.
- Improving area reliability by reducing the frequency and duration of outages.
- Enhancing the lines operational performance and requiring less frequent maintenance.

#### TRAFFIC CONTROL

AEP Texas representatives work to ensure public safety and minimize inconveniences during construction.

Crews plan to:

- · Close road lanes as needed
- Use flaggers and signs to aid traffic flow on streets during the day
- · Open road lanes at night if safety allows

#### **PUBLIC SAFETY TIPS**

- Keep your distance from construction workers and equipment
- Stay outside of temporary safety barriers
- Be aware of uneven or slippery surfaces
- Slow down when driving in the area and make sure your headlights are on
- · Watch for posted signs
- · Watch for road closures and traffic detours
- Follow flaggers' instructions

#### WHAT TO EXPECT DURING CONSTRUCTION

#### **Construction Corridor Development: September 2025**

#### Crews prepare for construction by:

Crews mark utilities and structure locations along the power line route. Crews also:

- · Trim or remove trees and other woody-stemmed vegetation that might interfere with the transmission lines
- Request that you remove or relocate non-habitable structures (including sheds) that have been placed within the right-of-way
- · Install temporary fences at select areas along the line for the public's safety
- · Remove parts of sidewalks around structure locations

#### **Pole Installation**

Crews place pole sections along the right-of-way corridor prior to pole installations. At most pole locations crews:

- · Drill angle structure foundations
- · Assemble the new structure and place it near the installation area
- · Remove existing wire and other equipment from the existing poles
- Remove the existing poles
- Install and stabilize the base of the new structure
- · Install and secure the new structure
- · Install new wires on new structures

#### Schedule:

Dupont - Chocolate Bayou: January 2026 - February 2026 Chocolate Bayou - Gohlke: February 2026 - November 2026 Gohlke - Joslin: November 2026 - May 2027

#### **Facilities Placed In-Service**

Crews place new facilities in service after finishing structure and wire installations and removing remaining old poles and wires.

- · Dupont Chocolate Bayou: February 2026
- · Chocolate Bayou Gohlke: November 2026
- · Gohlke Joslin: May 2027

#### Post Construction & Site Restoration: Summer 2027 - Spring 2028

AEP Texas crews follow construction crews throughout the project to restore fences, sidewalks and other neighborhood properties as close to their pre-construction condition as possible. Right-of-way agents also work with landowners to address any other property damages.

\*Schedule subject to change based on weather or other factors.

