

NOTICE OF PROPOSED MAJOR UTILITY FACILITY

AEP Ohio and AEP Ohio Transmission Company (AEP Ohio Transco) propose to construct a 4.2-acre expansion of the Ohio Central Substation, a 345/138/69-kilovolt (kV) substation in Muskingum County, Ohio.

The purpose of the project is to install eight new 345-kV circuit breakers, a new system control house, aluminum bus, control cable, communication equipment and associated support structures.

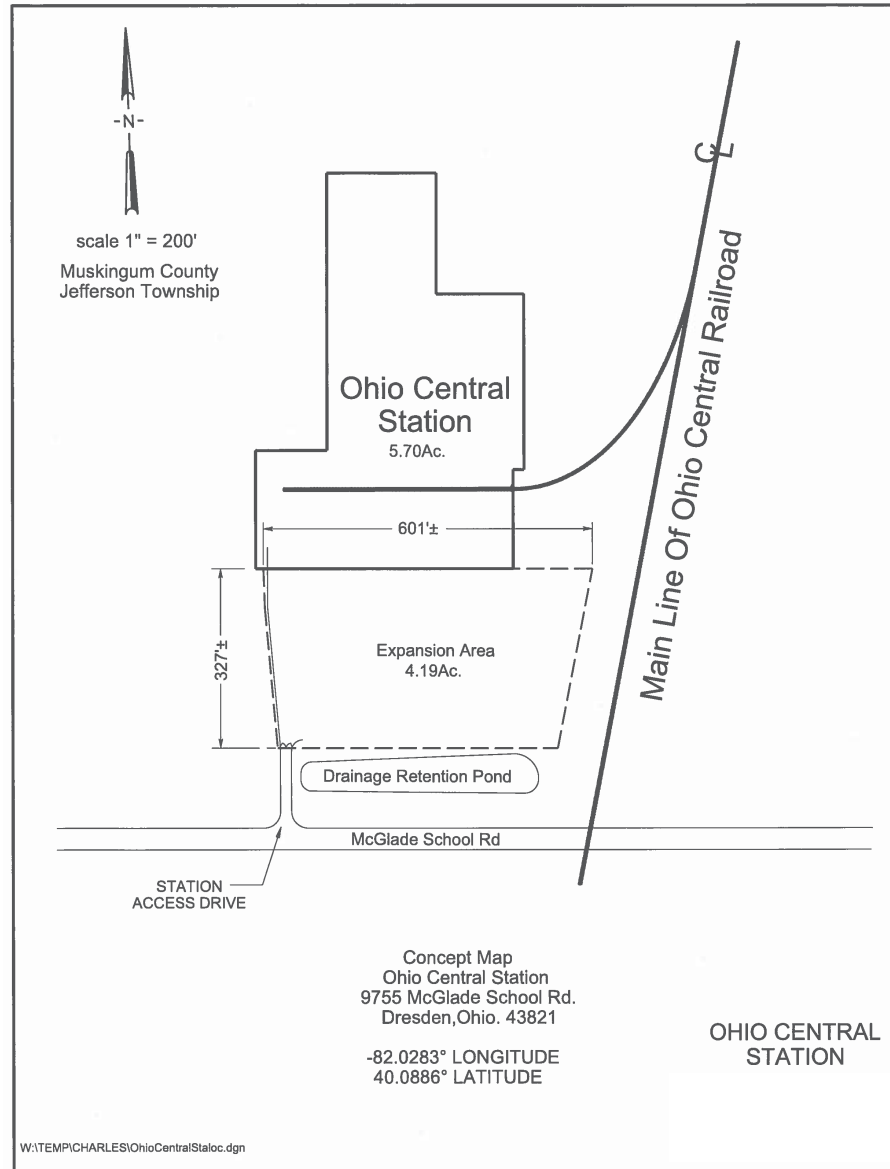
The project is known as the Ohio Central Station Expansion Project. As required by Ohio Revised Code Section 4906-11-01, AEP Ohio Transco has filed a Letter of Notification with the state of Ohio Power Siting Board.

This project qualifies as a Letter of Notification filing because it meets the requirements outlined in OAC 4906-1-01, Appendix A (8)(b). Appendix A (8)(b) applies to "constructing additions to existing electric power transmission substations where there is a greater than 20 percent expansion of the fenced area." This substation expansion is a 71 percent increase to the existing substation.

The Letter of Notification to expand the Ohio Central Station is pending before the Ohio Power Siting Board. This application has been assigned Case Number 13-0013-EL-BLN. This number should be included in all communications with respect to this proceeding.

Petitions to intervene in or comment on the Letter of Notification will be accepted by the siting board up to 10 days following the publication date of this notice required by Rule 4906-5-08(C)(1), OAC. Petitions should be addressed to Ohio Power Siting Board, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio, 43215-3793 and must cite the above-listed case number.

The Ohio Central Substation is located on the north side of County Road 116 south of Dresden in Jefferson Township in Muskingum County and is approximately 0.4 miles west of the Muskingum River. The station is connected to two 345-kV transmission lines, eight 138-kV transmission lines and one 69-kV transmission line. The expansion will use 4.2 acres of land directly adjacent to the existing substation and already owned by AEP. The expansion site has been used for parking and as an athletic field for the last few years. This area south of



the substation is the only practicable location for this expansion due to the layout of the 345-kV and 138-kV station yards.

The substation expansion will be an approximate \$5 million investment by AEP in its transmission system in the area. The project will allow AEP to continue to provide the level of service its customers expect.

The accompanying map depicts the expansion site. It should be noted that due to the reduced scale and limited detail, this map should be used only as a general guide. Copies of the actual Letter of Notification, including specific details about the location and construction are available for public inspection at the following locations:

Dresden Branch Library
816 Main Street
Dresden, Ohio 43821
Phone: 740 754-1003

Ohio Power Siting Board
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
180 East Broad Street
Columbus, Ohio, 43215-3793
614-466-3292

Electronic versions of the Letter of Notification can be found on AEPOhio.com at <https://www.aepohio.com/LON> and at the Ohio Power Siting Board website at <http://opsb.ohio.gov>. Search under current cases for case number 13-0013-EL-BLN

The following local city and county government officials have been served with a copy of the application as required by state of Ohio Power Siting Board regulations:

Muskingum County Commissioners
401 Main Street
Zanesville, Ohio 43701

Jefferson Township Trustee
Dale Ferrell
1352 Chestnut Street
Dresden, Ohio 43821

Jefferson Township Trustee
Tom Miller
1335 Chestnut Street
Dresden, Ohio 43821

Jefferson Township Trustee
Drake L. Prouty
10795 Mitchell Hill Drive
Dresden, Ohio 43821

Mayor David Matthew
Village of Dresden
904 Chestnut Street
Dresden, Ohio 43821

The following state agencies have been served with copies of the application:

- Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
- Ohio Department of Agriculture
- Ohio Department of Development
- Ohio Department of Health
- Ohio Department of Natural Resources
- Ohio Department of Transportation
- Ohio Environmental Protection Agency
- Ohio Historical Society

The complete Letter of Notification and this ad are available at <https://www.aepohio.com/LON>.

To ask a question or make a comment about the project, please call the AEP Ohio Transmission Project Information Line at **614-883-6929** or toll-free at **1-877-215-9261**.



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Attention: Blair Burns