

Whitepath Electric Reliability Project

WORKING TOGETHER TOWARD A SOLUTION

As a not-for-profit cooperative, helping deliver reliable power to the EMCs we serve is our sole mission. Honoring our commitments to your community is our priority.

Work is continuing on behalf of the community to analyze the Highway 515 and CSX railroad corridors as possible alternatives for the Whitepath Electric Reliability Project. Ensuring these alternatives are given valid consideration and not simply a cursory review requires time, and we are fully engaged in those efforts.

Selecting a route for an electric transmission line is an extensive process. In fact, the State mandates specific guidelines, in large part to protect property owners and the community from a process that might simply mean eye-balling a map or driving a roadway. Determining if the Highway 515 or CSX railroad corridors are "practical and feasible," as mandated, requires a team of professionals with expertise in engineering, environmental and historic resources, maintenance and repair, electrical need and delivery, and community impacts.

We have a long track record of operating in good faith because we exist solely to help serve EMC members. Our hope is that the efforts we are taking to fully consider community input, to answer questions and offer information, and to thoughtfully explore other possible routes for this



critical electric reliability project all demonstrate the value Georgia Transmission sees in the communities we serve.

As the recent storms reminded us all, electricity is critical. Our job is to find a way to help provide reliable power while working through difficult decisions about how and where to construct the lines and substations required to deliver it.

Thank you for continuing the conversation with us. Finding the right solution to meet the energy needs of the Gilmer County community is a goal we all share.

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