# Jefferson County Reliability Project

ATC Customer Meeting November 19, 2009



### **Project Need**

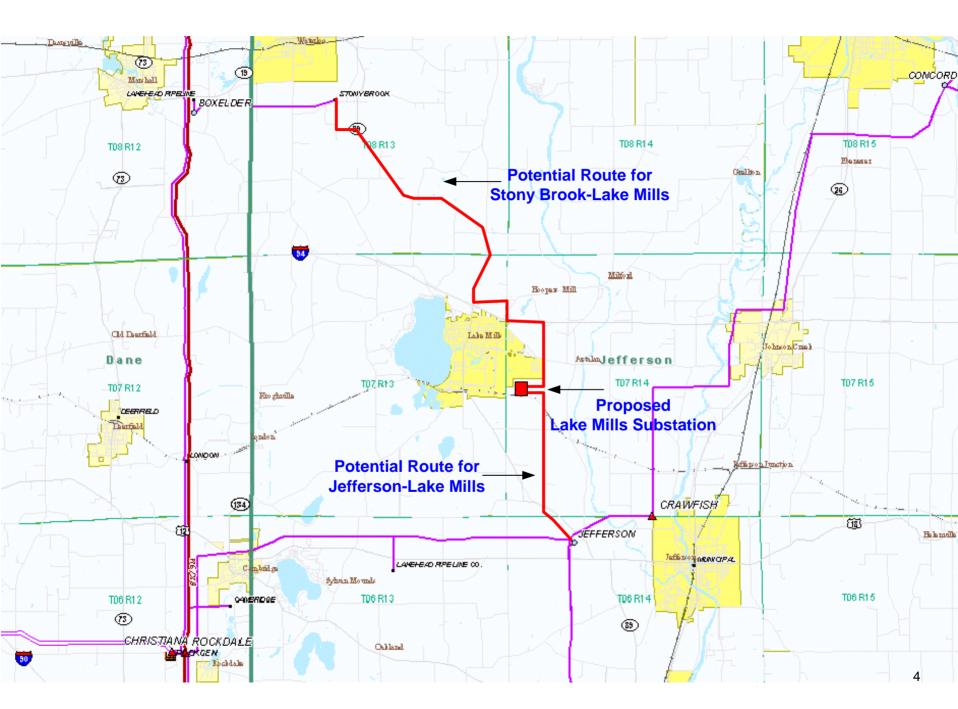
- Western Jefferson and Eastern Dane Counties have experienced steady residential, commercial, and light industrial load growth. This growth is expected to continue at a rate of 3% per year. Much of this load is currently served from the Rockdale Substation
- The transmission system in the area is vulnerable to low voltages with an outage of Rockdale – Boxelder line X-8 or Rockdale – Jefferson line 6632
  - Under contingency conditions, voltages at Academy, Boxelder, Stony Brook, London, Cambridge, and Jefferson Substations could drop below 90% during summer of 2008
- Lake Mills Light & Water has submitted a T-D interconnection request for a new substation in the City of Lake Mills

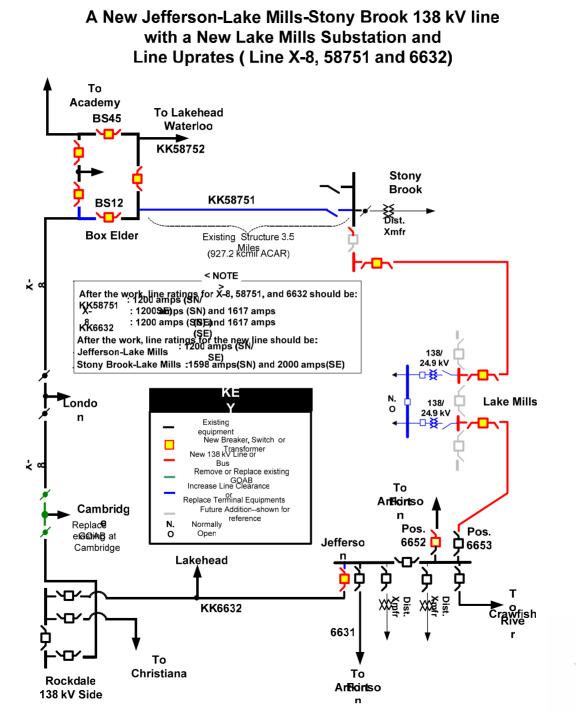


#### **Selected Alternative**

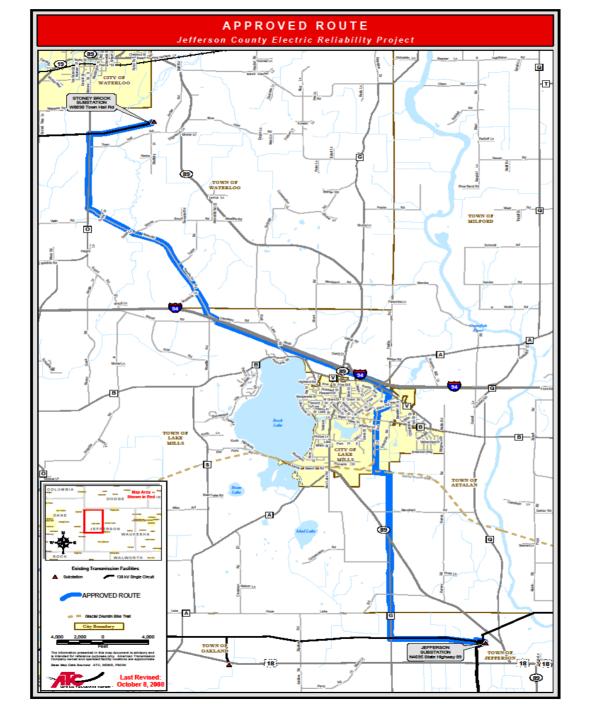
- 138kV line from Jefferson to Stony Brook
  - Improves reliability and supports anticipated load growth in the area
  - Provides for adequate voltages at Academy, Boxelder, Stony Brook, London, Cambridge, and Jefferson Substations under contingency conditions
  - Provides network service to Stony Brook Substation
  - Allows for network service to the proposed Lake Mills Substation
  - Approximately 15 miles
  - Estimated Capital Cost \$22M













## **Project Description**

- Construct a new single circuit 138kV line from Jefferson SS to Stony Brook SS
  - Total line length ~ 16 miles / New ROW required ~14 miles
  - Primarily single circuit steel poles with T2 Hawk 477 kcmil conductor
  - Distribution underbuild make ready/incremental upgrade costs for approximately 10 miles
  - New line positions at Jefferson and Stony Brook Substations
  - Route accommodates Lake Mills T-D interconnection (Tyranena SS)
- Uprate existing Boxelder to Stony Brook 138kV line 58751 to 1200A summer normal/emergency by:
  - Replacing several line structures to increase clearance
  - Adding a circuit breaker to create a new ring bus position at Boxelder
  - Replacing terminal equipment at Boxelder and Stony Brook



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- Uprate existing Rockdale to Boxelder 138kV line X-8 to 1200A summer normal and 1617A summer emergency by:
  - Replacing the existing ring bus circuit breakers and disconnect switches at Boxelder with 3000 amp breakers and switches
  - Replacing the existing X-8 CCVTs, Wave Traps, and Line Tuners at Rockdale and Boxelder
- Uprate existing Rockdale to Jefferson 138kV line 6632 to 1200A summer normal and 1617A summer emergency by:
  - Replacing the existing 6632 CCVTs, Wave Traps, and Line Tuners at Rockdale and Jefferson



### **Project Timeline**

Started pre-cert activities Project introduced to public **ATC Board approval CPCN** application submitted **CPCN** application complete **PSCW** approval granted Started construction In service **Restoration complete** 

Mid 2003 March 2004 June 2005 July 2005 August 2005 August 2006 September 2008 October 2009 Spring 2010



## Challenges

- Amount of new right of way required
- Construction in the vicinity of a substantial Heron Rookery and conservation easements along HWY 89
- Significant We Energies and Lake Mills Municipal Utility underbuild and/or underground construction of existing distribution circuits
- Addition of facilities at Stony Brook SS will require it becoming a Joint Owned Substation and some assets will need to be transferred from We Energies to ATC
- Significant coordination required with WISDOT for routes along I-94 and HWY 89
- Neutral to Earth Voltage (NEV) Study
- Legal challenges to PSCW Order



### **Statistics**

- 16 circuit miles of T2 Hawk (477 kcmil)
- 19 miles of 24-fiber OPGW with 8 in-line splices and 3 station dead-end splices
- 144 SC steel poles, 9 DC steel poles, 7 wood Hframes, 1 wood 3-pole guyed, 1 wood 3-phase transposition pole
- 66 SC foundations, 9 DC foundations
- 92 parcels, 7 condemnations, 6 appeals
- 25,000 m-h OH construction; 9,000 m-h tree clearing; 8,000 m-h foundations
- No safety incidents, recordable or otherwise



# Financials

Initial PA	Re-PA	Current
<u>EAC</u> \$33.7M	\$31.7M	\$30.1M
<ul> <li>Pre-Certification effort</li> <li>Construction</li> <li>Materials</li> <li>Real Estate</li> <li>Engineering</li> <li>Legal &amp; Regulatory</li> </ul>		\$ 1.1M \$ 12.0M \$ 8.1M \$ 3.4M \$ 2.5M \$ 1.4M

- All other

1.6M

\$





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