

State of Michigan  
Department of Environmental Quality

Water Resources Division  
Lansing District Office  
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Site Name: 33-Canal Road METC-Lansing  
Submission Number: HN9-XK6X-M9TAC  
Date: March 14, 2018

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Ms. Gretchen Railling on the behalf of Michigan Electric Transmission Company (METC), 2401 South Huron Road, Kawkawlin, Michigan 48631, has applied to this office for a permit under authority of Part 303, Wetlands Protection, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended (NREPA).

The applicant proposes to remove 70 steel lattice transmission line towers and install 68 monopole transmission line poles along 7.2 miles of a the existing transmission line easement. Nine new poles will be located in wetland and construction includes temporary impacts by timber mats for access and minor cut and fill with no net gain of fill in wetland and flood plain. Installation of the 9 poles including 418 cubic yards of excavation and same for backfill which will permanently impact 368 square feet of wetland. Six existing steel lattice transmission line support structures will be removed from wetlands. Timber mats will be placed in 1.41 acres of wetland during construction for access through 17 wetland areas. In addition 4 unnamed streams will be crossed using temporary timber bridges varying in length from 10 to 30 feet long with the cumulative length of 75 feet. Within flood plain a net zero volume of cut and fill will be included from excavating 36 cubic yards and filling with 36 cubic yards of material. Monopole depths shall not exceed 25 feet with one exception which will be installed to 55 feet deep.

The project is located in T03N, R02W, Section 3, 4, 5 and 6, Delhi Township, Ingham County, and T03N, R03W Sections 1, 2, 3 and 4 of Windsor Township Eaton County Michigan, in accordance with plans attached to this notice.

**THIS NOTICE IS NOT A PERMIT**

The proposed project may also be regulated by one or more additional parts of the NREPA that are administered by the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Water Resources Division (WRD). The requirements of all applicable parts are considered in determining if a permit can be issued. When a permit application is received requesting authorization to work in or over the inland waters of the State of Michigan, pursuant to Part 303 of the NREPA, the NREPA provides that the DEQ submit copies for review to the department of public health; the city, village, or township and county where the project is to be located; the local soil conservation district; and any local watershed council organized under Part 311, Local River Management, of the NREPA. Additional notification is provided to certain persons as required by statute or determined by the DEQ.

Those persons wanting to make comments on the proposed project shall furnish this office with their written comments no later than 20 days from the date of this notice. Written comments will be made part of the record and should reference the above application number. Objections

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must be factual, specific, and fully describe the reasons upon which any objection is founded. Unless a written request is filed with the DEQ within the 20-day public comment period, the DEQ may make a decision on the application without a public hearing. The determination as to whether a permit will be issued or a public hearing held will be based on an evaluation of all relevant factors, including the public comments received and the effect of the proposed work on the public trust or interest, including navigation, fish, wildlife, and pollution. The specific permit decision criteria can be found in the parts of the NREPA applicable to this application and listed above. Copies of these parts of the NREPA are available on the public notice Web site. Public comments received will also be considered.

The entire copy of the public notice package may be viewed at the WRD's district office listed on the top of this public notice or online at:  
<https://miwaters.deq.state.mi.us/miwaters/#/external/publicnotice/search>. To access the public notice page online, search for the public notice by location or applicant name, and view by clicking on the "Documents" tab. Comments may be sent electronically by clicking on the "Add Comment" tab. A hard copy of the public notice may be requested by calling the above number.

cc:

**METC, Applicant**  
**Mr. Randy Heinze, DNR, Wildlife Division,**  
**Mr. Brian Gunderman, DNR, Fisheries Division**  
**Mr. Chad Fedewa, DNR, Fisheries Division**  
**Delhi Township Clerk I**  
**Ingham County Clerk**  
**Ingham County Drain Commissioner**  
**Ingham County Health Department**  
**Ingham County Conservation District**  
**Ingham County CEA**  
**Local Postmaster**  
**Eaton County Clerk**  
**Eaton County Drain Commissioner**  
**Eaton County Health Department**  
**Eaton County Conservation District**  
**Windsor Township Clerk**  
**State Historic Preservation Office**

**Mr. Bourke Thomas, Atwell, LLC**  
**Adjoining Property Owners, See File**