

Boardman to Hemingway Transmission Line Project

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BLM/ODOE Scoping and
Public Information Meetings



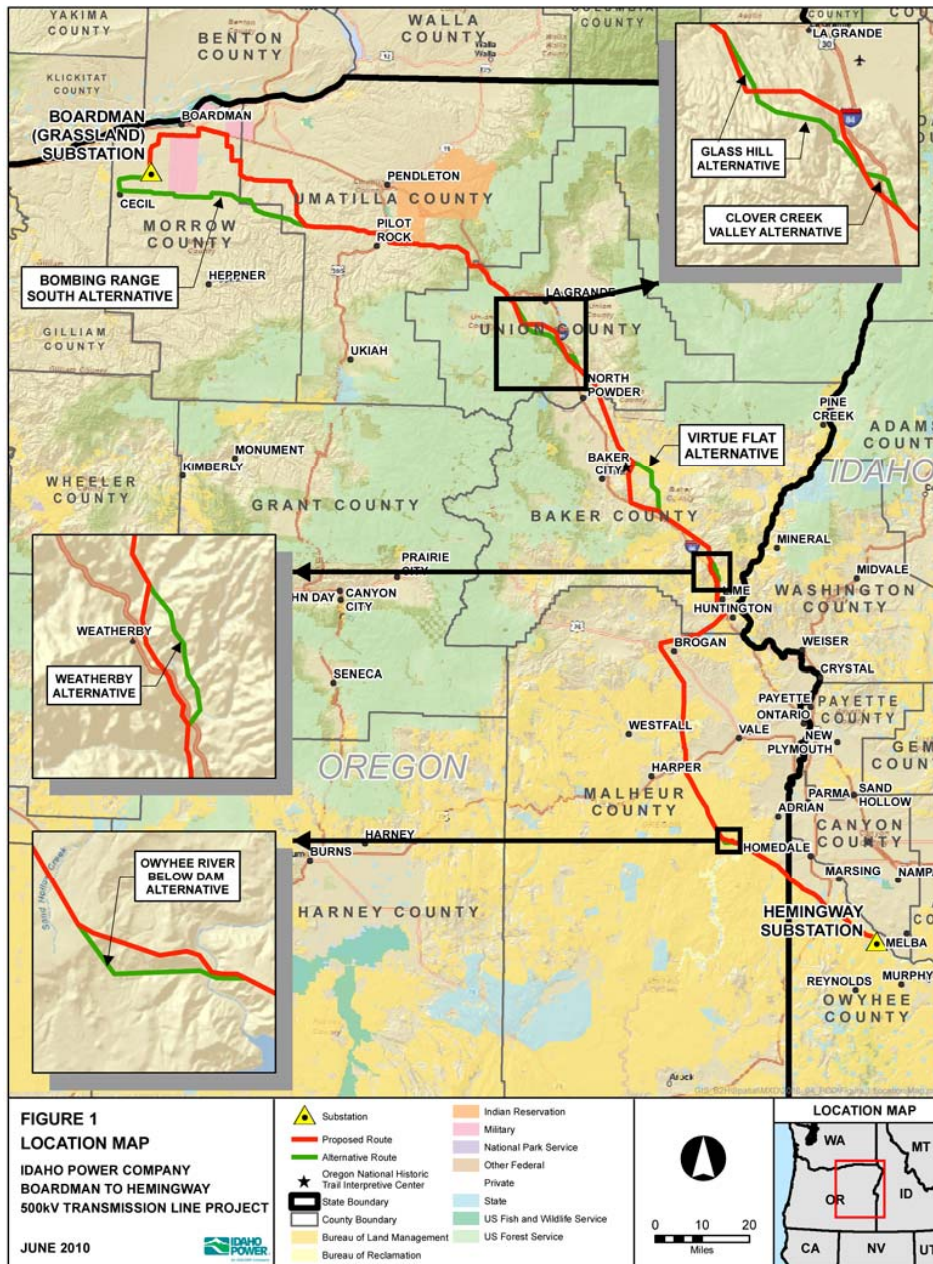
Boardman to Hemingway Overview

- Construct, operate and maintain a new single-circuit 500 kilovolt transmission line \cong 300 miles in length
- Proposed between the planned Grassland Substation near Boardman, Oregon and the Hemingway Substation near Melba, Idaho
- Crosses public and private lands within Owyhee County in Idaho, and Malheur, Baker, Union, Morrow and Umatilla Counties in Oregon
- Follows existing energy and transportation corridors as much as possible
- Uses a federally designated utility corridor to cross the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest



Purpose and Need

- Transport low-cost energy from generation sources in the Northwest to serve homes, farms and businesses in the region.
- Increase the capacity of the Northwest transmission system
- Improve the reliability of our electrical system
- Ensure Idaho Power's ability to meet customers' existing and future energy needs in Oregon and Idaho

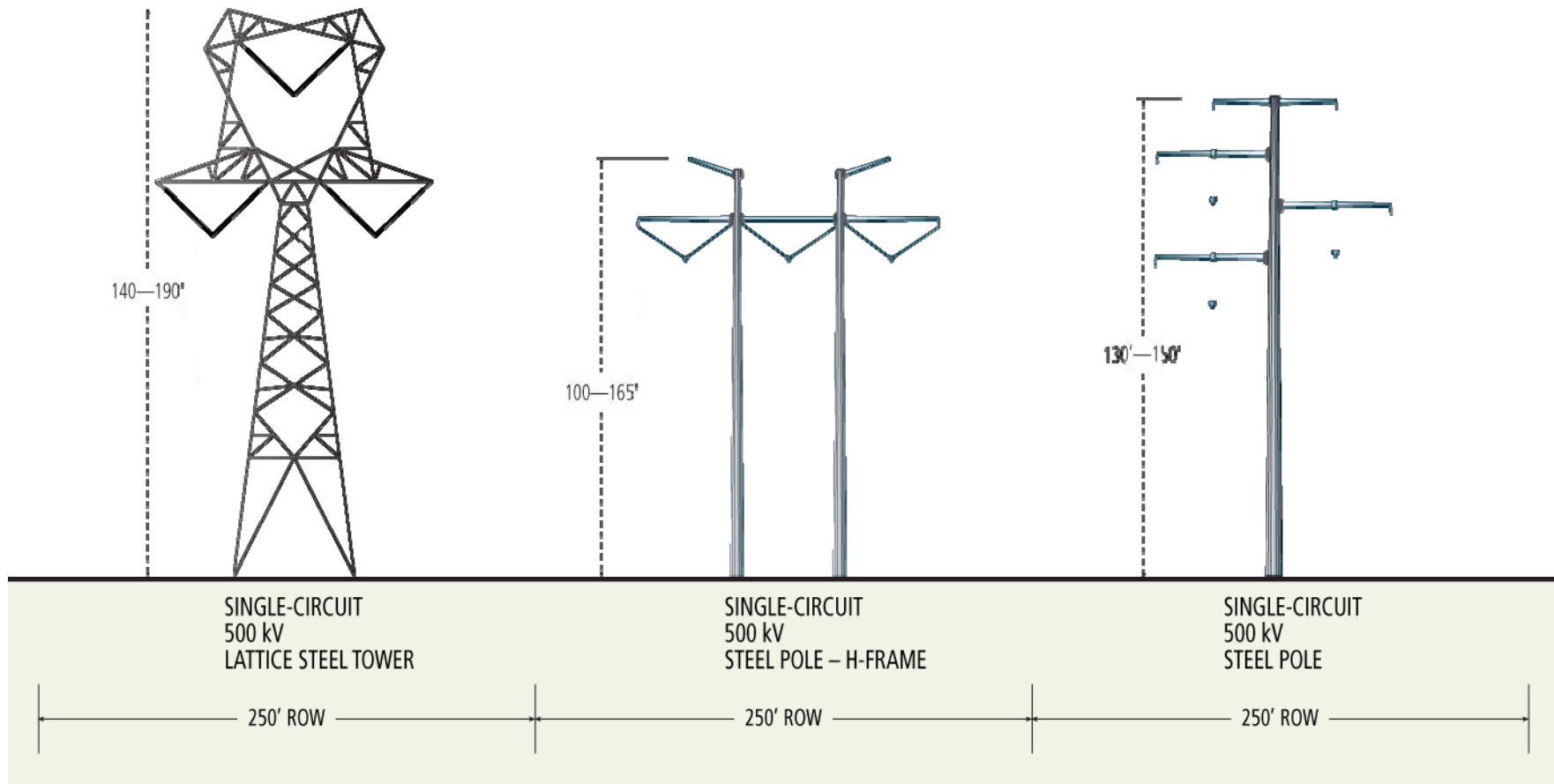


Proposed Route Addresses:

- Irrigated farmland in Idaho, Exclusive Farm Use land in Oregon, and city impact areas
- Viewshed in front of the National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center
- Critical sage-grouse habitat

Design Specifications

(estimated)



Note: Heights may vary due to terrain and engineering constraints.
Other tower types may be used based on local circumstances



Brief Project History

- **2008/2009:** Received public comment on initially-proposed routes
- **2009:** Convened the **Community Advisory Process (CAP)** to engage communities in developing a proposed route
- **2010:** Submitted revised application for federal review, and notice of intent for Oregon Department of Energy review
- Continue to work with communities, landowners and the agencies throughout the review and permitting process