

Aroostook Renewable Gateway

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

How do we develop the transmission line corridor?

ENVIRONMENTAL

- ✓ Minimize impacts by utilizing existing or paralleling corridors where practicable
- ✓ Identify sensitive resources and areas through research, field surveys, and agency consultation
- ✓ Evaluate innovative techniques to mitigate visual impacts and avoid habitable structures where practicable
- ✓ Avoid or minimize impacts to environmental resources and wildlife
- ✓ Comply with municipal, state, and federal requirements
- ✓ Evaluate and consider potential impacts to environmental justice communities

COMMUNITY

- ✓ Receive and consider new ideas from stakeholders through outreach initiatives
- ✓ Provide ample and meaningful opportunities for public comments
- ✓ Articulate tangible benefits to communities in the project area
- ✓ Respect, restore, and maintain property during all phases of the project
- ✓ Minimize project effects on and off of the transmission line corridor
- ✓ Prioritize the delivery of safe, reliable, and cost-effective electrical transmission service

ROUTE SELECTION PROCESS

Identify the Study Area

Collect and Review Data

Identify Constraints & Quantify Impacts

Consult with Agencies, ENGO's, & Stakeholders

Identify Preliminary Routes

Present Preliminary Routes

Host Open House Meetings

Receive Feedback & Reevaluate Routes

Select Preferred Route