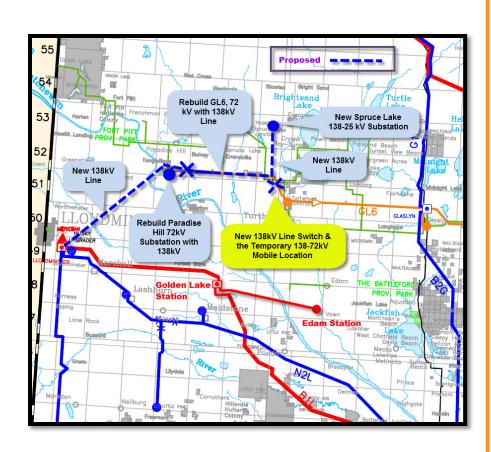




Project Need

- SaskPower continues to invest in the province's electricity system to ensure we have the infrastructure in place to meet the growing need for power in Saskatchewan.
- As part of this investment, SaskPower is proposing to replace aging infrastructure and construct new facilities in the Lloydminster, Paradise Hill and Spruce Lake areas.
- These projects are designed to improve service reliability, help support oilfield development, and contribute to the overall plan for reinforcing the area.





Project Description

- SaskPower is proposing two new 138-25kV substations.
 - One substation will replace the existing 72-25kV Paradise Hill Substation located approximately 10 km south of the Village of Paradise Hill.
 - The second substation will be located approximately 10 km southeast of the Town of St.
 Walburg and 6 km northeast of the Hamlet of Spruce Lake.
- A new 138kV transmission line will be constructed.
 - The new line will come from the Lloydminster Switching Station, cross the North Saskatchewan River, and connect to the new Paradise Hill Substation.
 - From the new Paradise Hill Substation, it will head east running parallel to a portion of the existing 72kV GL6 transmission line.
 - The final line segment will connect the new Spruce Lake Substation to the new line proposed to run parallel to the existing GL6 transmission line.
- The existing Paradise Hill and Bolney substations will be salvaged. The existing GL6 line will remain for planned and future distribution use.



Project Description

- The total length of new transmission line for the project is approximately 76 to 79 km depending on the final Spruce Lake Substation Site selected.
- Load served out of the existing Paradise Hill and Bolney Substations will be transferred to the new substation.
- Salvage of the existing Paradise Hill and Bolney Substations will occur following the construction and energization of the new transmission lines and substations.
- Current scheduled in-service date for the projects is start of 2020



138kV Transmission Line Project Schedule

Alternative routes selection
 Nov 2016 - Feb 2017

First round of public consultation
 March 2017

Preferred route selection
 April – May 2017

Second round of public consultation
 June 2017

Geotechnical study of river crossing
 July - August 2017

Environmental field studies
 July 2017 – Sept 2018

Submission to Ministry of Environment
 October 2018

Engineering design
 July 2017 – Dec 2018

Easement acquisition
 Sept 2018 – Dec 2018

Construction Dec 2018 – Dec 2019

Energization January 2020



Lloydminster Switching Station, Paradise Hill and Spruce Lake Substations Project Schedule

Site selection for new substations
 Dec 2016 – Ongoing

Site design
 Jan 2017 – September 2018

Lloydminster Switching Station construction July 2018 – April 2019

Paradise Hill Substation construction
 July 2018 – April 2019

Spruce Lake Substation construction
 Oct 2018 – December 2019

Energization Paradise Hill Substation April 2019

Energization Spruce Lake Substation January 2020



Route Selection Criteria

- Assess impacts to agricultural operations;
- Assess impacts to the natural environment;
- Assess social and other impacts (such as land use);
- Minimize economic costs (construction and materials, maintenance and operating costs, etc.) associated with the project; and
- Construct on favourable topography and foundation conditions.



Environmental Considerations

SaskPower's goal is to minimize its impact on the biophysical and human environment. This is achieved by:

- Compliance with all regulatory requirements (Municipal, Provincial and Federal);
- Consultation with elected officials, Aboriginal groups, landowners, and other potentially affected groups and individuals as applicable;
- Avoiding or mitigating impacts to rare and endangered species and their habitats and sensitive landscape features (*i.e.*, sand hills, wetlands, native prairie, heritage resources);
- Use of existing rights-of-way and previously disturbed areas; and
- Accommodating local land uses and infrastructure.



Photographs of Corridor Options



Big Gully Creek Valley crossing in the vicinity of the North B Corridor



Numerous water bodies in the study area



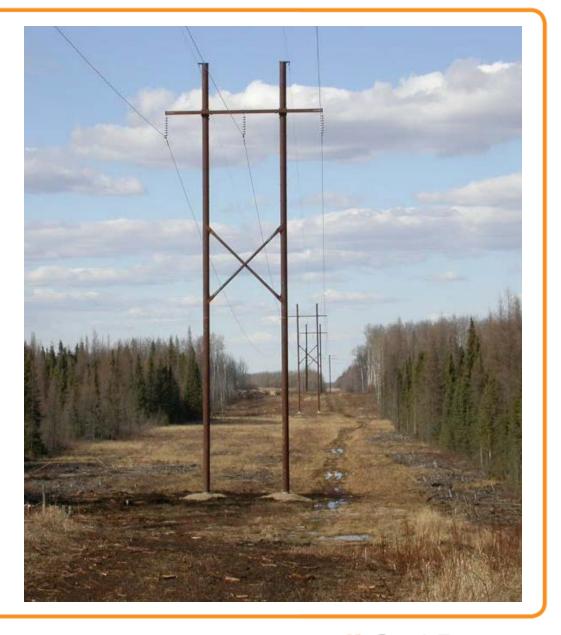
Extensive oil and gas development in the study area



Example of terrain on the GL6 to Spruce Lake segment



138kV Single-Circuit H-Frame Tangent Structure





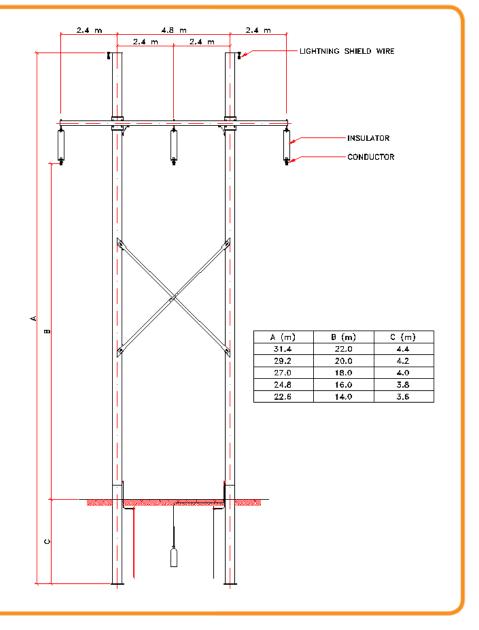
138kV Single-Circuit Tubular Steel H-Frame Tangent Structure (T61/001)

Pole Spacing: 4.8m (16ft)

Structure Height: 19 - 27m (62 - 89ft)

Average Span: ~300m (985ft)

Deflection Structures: Guy-anchored





138kV Single-Circuit Wood H-Frame Tangent Structure Steel Crossarm & Crossbraces (D14/902)

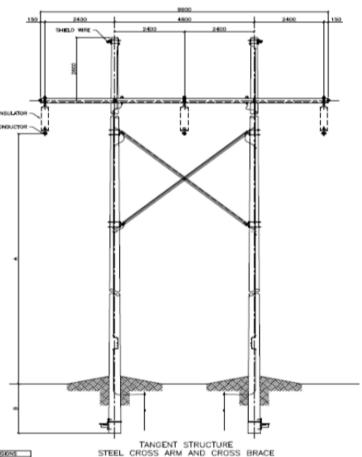
Pole Spacing: 4.8m (16ft)

Structure Height: 19.8 – 25.9m (65 - 85ft)

Average Span: ~225m (740ft)

Deflection Structures: Guy-anchored





Pole Spacing: 4.8m Structure height: 19.8m-25.9m

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Structure Type: Wood Average span: 225m (740ft)

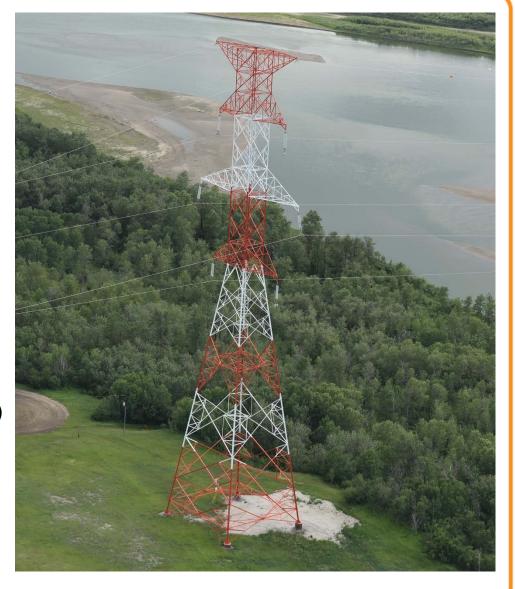
SaskPower Standard Single Circuit H-Frame Tangent Wood Structure D14-902 (With steel crossarm & Crossbraces)



138kV Double-Circuit
Steel Lattice Tower Structure

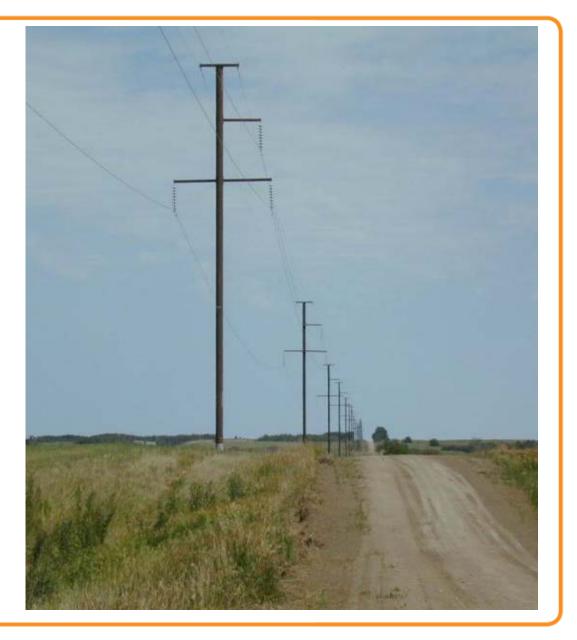
Structure Height: 50 -120m (164 - 394ft)

Span: 1150 - 1450m (3,773 - 4,757ft)





138kV Single-Circuit Tubular Steel Single-Pole Tangent Structure (T67/001)





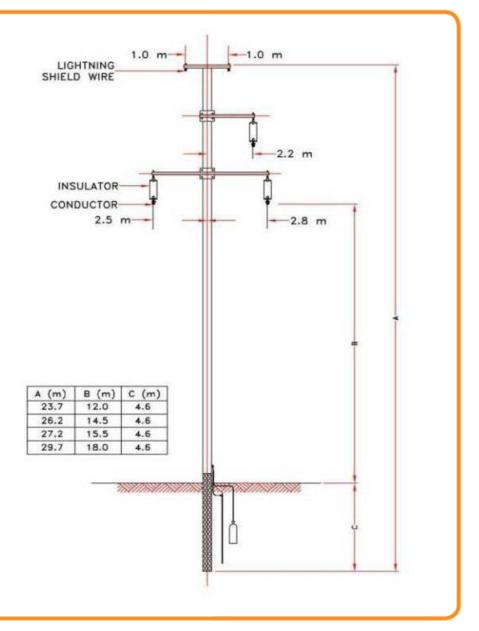
138kV Single-Circuit Tubular Steel Single-Pole Tangent Structure (T67/001)

Structure Height: 19 - 27m (62 - 89ft)

Average Span: ~150m (490ft)

Deflection Structures: Guy-anchored

Structures located 0.6m (2ft) inside boundary of road allowance where practical





Tap Structure





Switch Structure



Switch structure next to H-frame structure



Anchored Structures



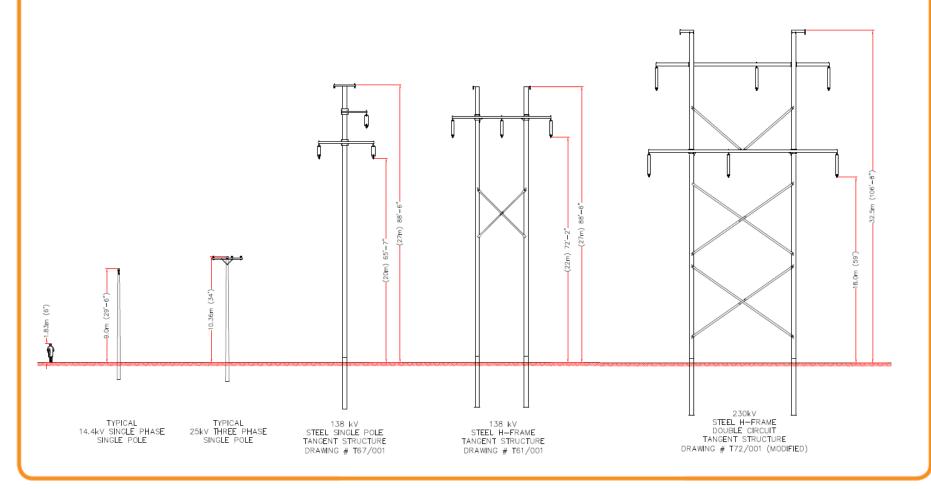
Medium Angle Deflection Structure



Heavy Angle Deflection Structure



Size Comparison of Distribution & Transmission Lines





138kV Minimum Clearance of Conductor

Over Farmland 7.5 metres (24.6 feet)

Over Highways 7.8 metres (25.6 feet)

Over High Load Corridors 10.65 metres (34.9 feet)

Over Railways 8.7 metres (28.5 feet)

Typical 138kV Right-of-Way Width

Single-Pole Standard Width 20 metres (66 feet)

H-Frame Standard Width 30 metres (98 feet)



Right-of-Way Preparation





Drum-style mulcher used for tree clearing

Hydro-axe equipment used for tree clearing



Right-of-Way Preparation (cont.)



Drum mulcher clearing a right-of-way for a new transmission line



Cleared right-of-way ready for construction



Structure Setting





Auguring pole foundation

Temporary crane pad leveled for structure setting



Structure Setting







Conductor Stringing



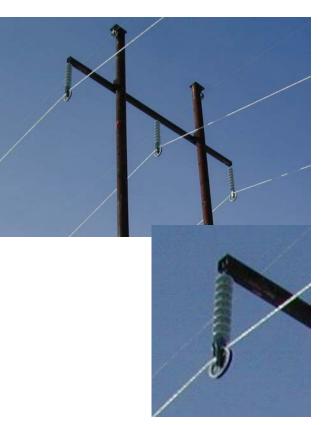
Temporary rider poles



Conductor on reels



Stringing equipment



Conductor on dollies during stringing



Other Construction Activities



Installing ground rods



Crushed rock backfill

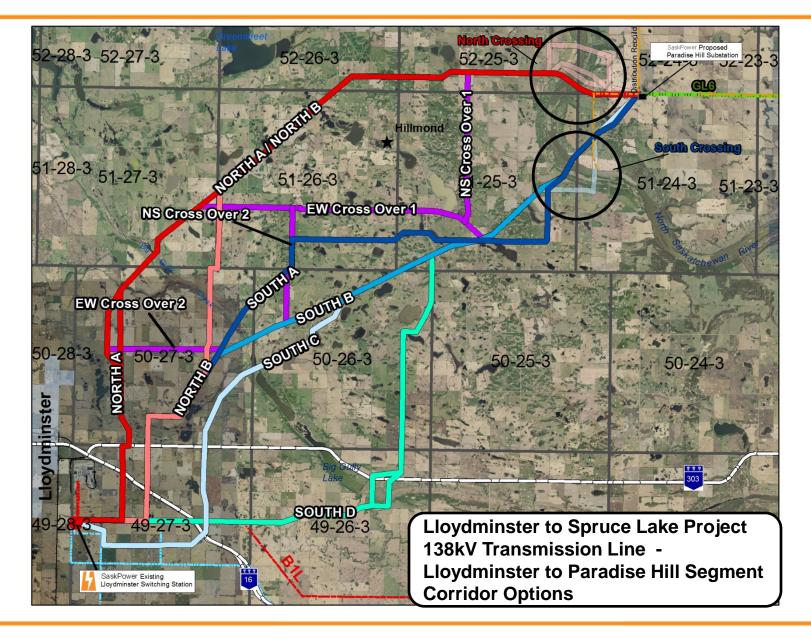


Installing sacrificial anodes

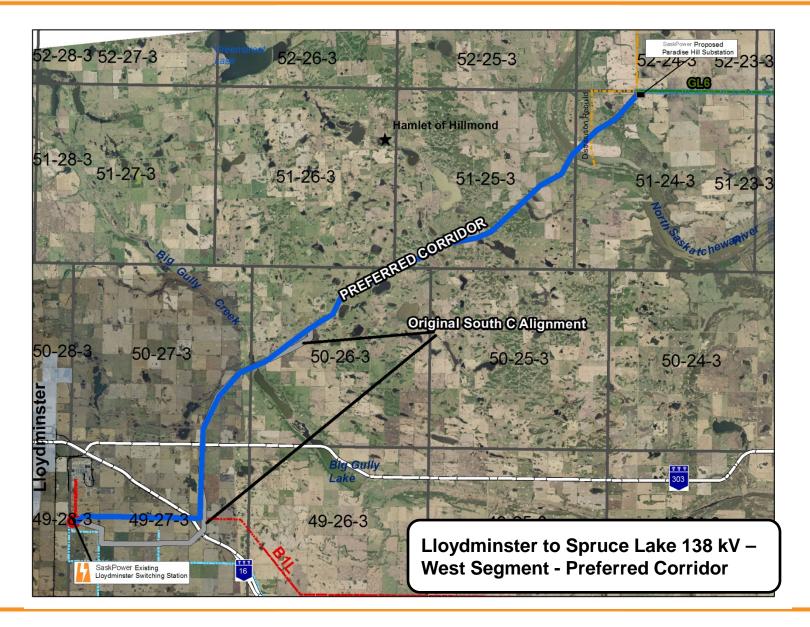


Tension (proof) testing anchors











Total Length and Land Use

Route Alternative	Total Length (km)	Percentage on cultivated land	Percentage on legal boundaries
NORTH A	49.2	81	18
NORTH B	50.2	79	33
SOUTH A	47.5	68	29
SOUTH B	43.0	63	17
SOUTH C	44.8	64	2
SOUTH D	50.2	70	0
PREFERRED CORRIDOR (MODIFIED SOUTH C)	42.6	65	2



Residences

Route Alternative	Residences within 45m	Residences within 45 – 160m	Residences within 160m – ½ mile
NORTH A	0	1	61
NORTH B	0	2	48
SOUTH A	0	2	46
SOUTH B	0	1	44
SOUTH C	0	0	24
SOUTH D	0	1	34
PREFERRED CORRIDOR (MODIFIED SOUTH C)	0	0	32



Oil and Gas Infrastructure

Route Alternative	Licenced Wells Within 100m	Number of underground pipeline crossings
NORTH A	8	25
NORTH B	14	29
SOUTH A	23	32
SOUTH B	24	30
SOUTH C	37	39
SOUTH D	33	69
PREFERRED CORRIDOR (MODIFIED SOUTH C)	27	39



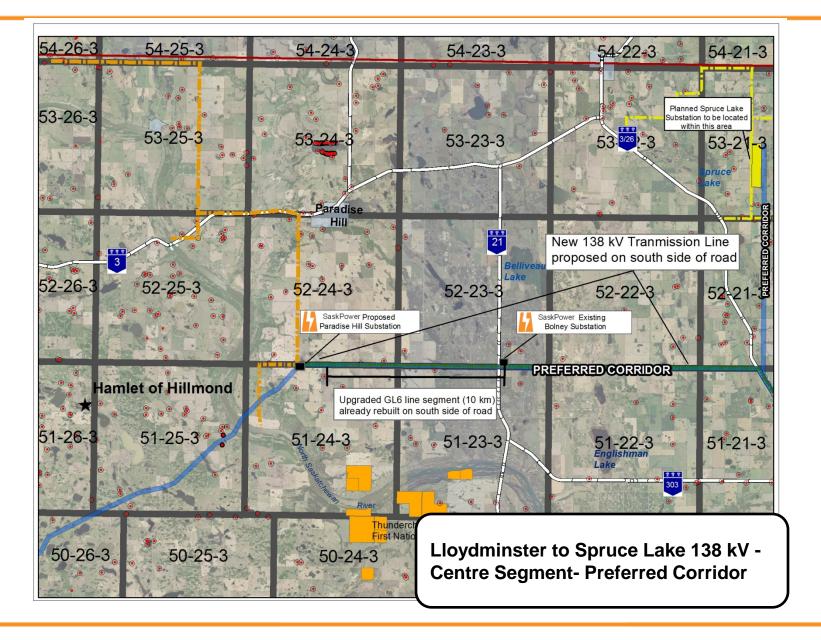
Estimated Cost

Route Alternative	Percentage cost (over lowest cost option)
NORTH A	+19%
NORTH B	+22%
SOUTH A	+13%
SOUTH B	+2%
SOUTH C	+6%
SOUTH D	+21%
PREFERRED CORRIDOR (MODIFIED SOUTH C)	LOWEST COST

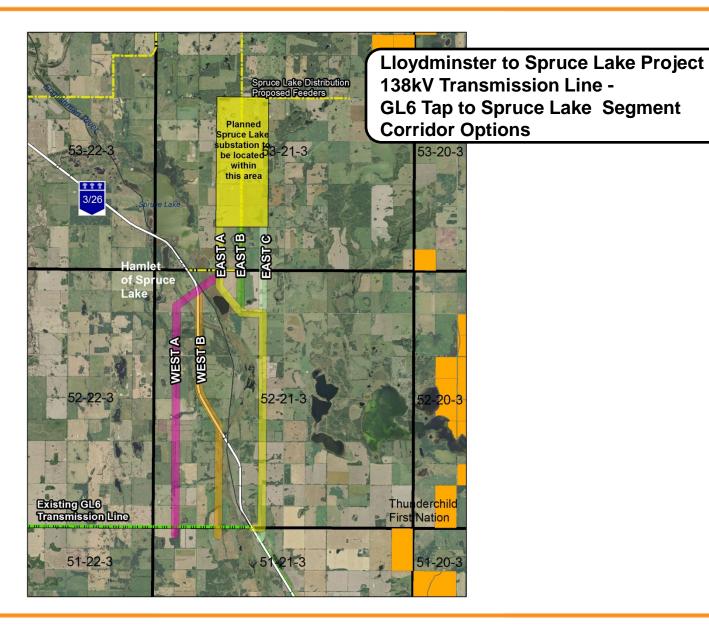
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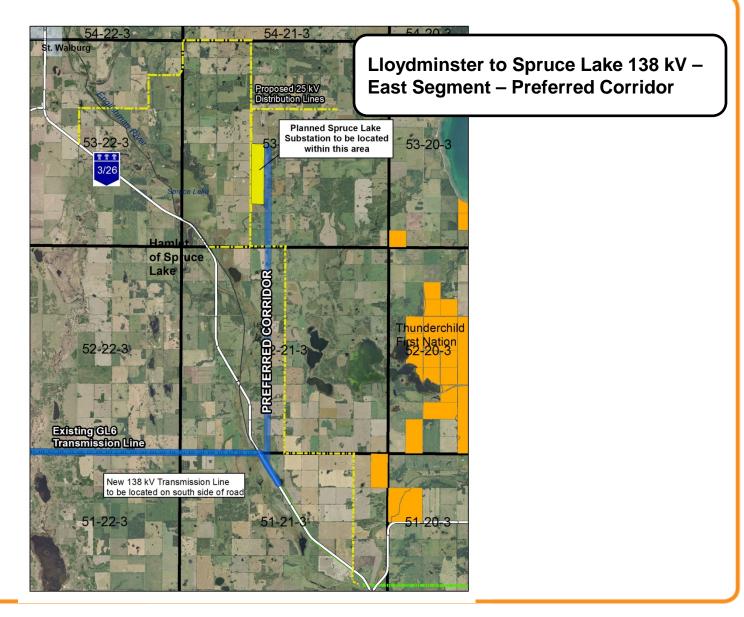














Total Length and Land Use

Route Alternative	Total Length (km)*	Percentage on cultivated land	Percentage on legal boundaries
WESTA	13.6-16.0	83	85
WEST B	13.7-16.1	61	37
EASTA	14.2-16.6	85	87
EAST B	13.2-15.9	84	52
EAST C - PREFERRED	13.1-15.8	80	95

^{*}Total line length dependent on final site selected for the Spruce Lake Substation



Residences

Route Alternative	Residences within 45m	Residences within 45 – 160m	Residences within 160m – ½ mile
WESTA	0	0	11
WEST B	0	0	11
EASTA	0	0	11
EAST B	0	1	10
EAST C - PREFERRED	0	0	11



Oil and Gas Infrastructure

Route Alternative	Licenced Wells Within 100m	Number of underground pipeline crossings
WESTA	3	2
WEST B	3	1
EASTA	4	1
EAST B	2	1
EAST C - PREFERRED	2	1



Estimated Cost

Route Alternative	Percentage cost (over lowest cost option)
WESTA	+3%
WEST B	+14%
EASTA	+9%
EAST B	+1%
EAST C - PREFERRED	LOWEST COST

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OPEN HOUSE

Lloydminster to Spruce Lake 138kV Projects

SaskPower invites anyone interested in these projects to attend one of the following open house information sessions and offer comments to the project team.

Location: Centennial Civic Centre Auditorium

5405 49th Ave, Lloydminster

Date: Tuesday, June 27, 2017

Time: Noon - 7:00 p.m.

Location: Paradise Hill Community Centre

Date: Wednesday, June 28, 2017

Time: Noon - 7:00 p.m.





