

# Cedar Creek to Milford 230 kV Transmission Line Rebuild

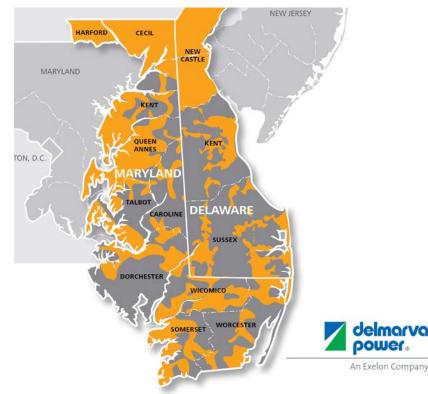


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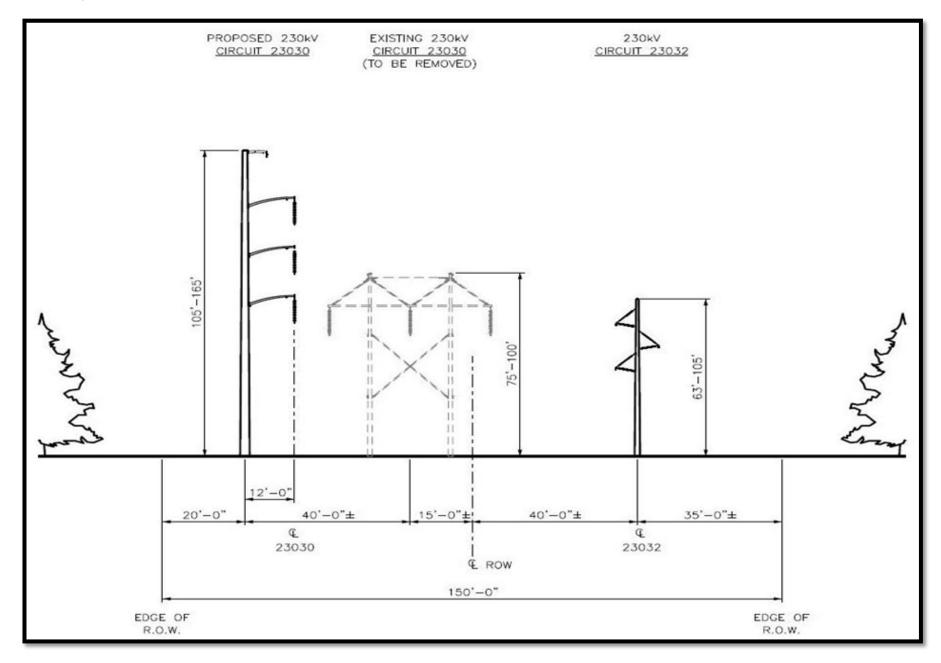
#### **McCormick Taylor and Delmarva Power & Light Company**

Presented by: Sean Francis and Annina Hazel October 4, 2017

- DPL is constructing the second phase of a critical 58-mile, 230,000-volt transmission line
- \$71 million project
- Construction began in Spring, 2017
- Construction complete in May, 2018
- Required to meet reliability standards
  - North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC)
  - PJM Interconnection
- Existing wooden "H-Frame" transmission structures will be replaced with single-pole steel that can withstand winds up to 120 miles per hour













 Time
 1:15 PM

 Viewing Direction
 Southwest



EGEND	
0	Viewpoint Location
-	Existing Line
	Existing Line (To Be Removed)
-	Proposed Line
1000	Right-Of-Way

#### **Red Lion - Milford**





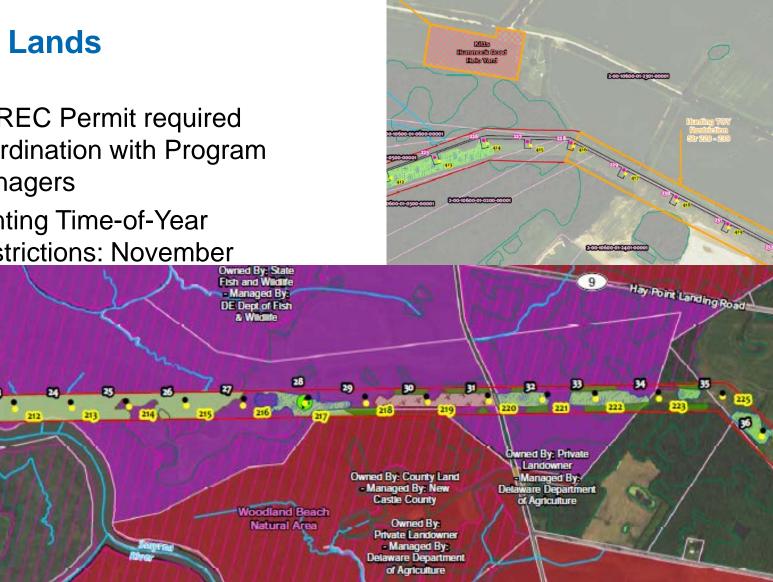
- 43 Miles
- 3 Counties
- 384 Poles
- 8 Laydown Yards
- 11 Helicopter Construction Areas
- 35 Cultural Resource Locations
- 43 Raptor Nests (and counting!)
- 10 Major Watercourses Crossed
- 92 Tidal & Nontidal Wetlands Crossed
- 5 State Wildlife Areas (DFW)
- 7 State Natural Areas (DFW)





### **State Lands**

- **DNREC** Permit required coordination with Program Managers
- Hunting Time-of-Year **Restrictions: November**





## **Impact Analysis**

- Foundations
  - Caissons (6-ft diameter)
  - Drilled Piers (10-ft diameter)
- Permanent Impacts Vs. Temporary Impacts
- Tidal / Non-tidal wetlands

Total Impacts (AC.)							
Permanent		Temporary					
Tidal	Non-tidal	Tidal	Non-tidal				
0.02	0.04	10.1	16.9				



### **Permitting and Licensing**

#### Kent Conservation District

DNREC- Notice of Intent (NOI) under a NPDES General Permit

#### **Coastal Programs**

Sussex Conservation District DNREC - Wetlands and Subaqueous Lands Permit State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) Concurrence

New Castle County Dept. of Land Use USACE-Nationwide 3 Permit DNREC Wildlife Species Conservation & Research Program



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## **Cultural Resources**

- Archaeological & Architectural Studies Conducted
- Artifacts recovered: 12,102
- Phase I identified 35 archaeological sites
- Phase II 33 sites identified for protection
- Enhanced Phase II 2 sites identified for excavation









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## **Cultural Resources**

- 35 archaeological sites
  - Composite matting base pads installed at each pole location
  - Orange Construction Fencing (OCF) installation along the perimeter of the composite matting

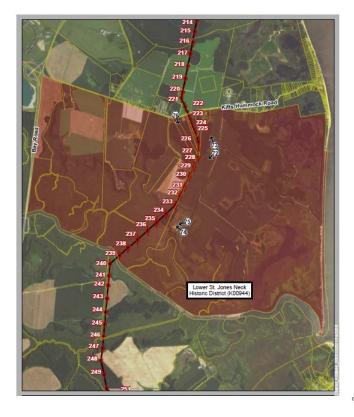


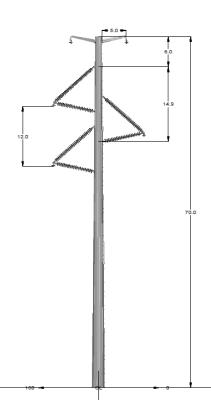




## **Cultural Resources**

- Redesign within the St Jones Neck Historic District
  - Tangent brace post construction to lower pole heights within the District
    - Originally 13 davit arm structures proposed
    - Redesigned to 24 tangent brace post structures to stay within viewshed of the tree line and the adjacent circuit.







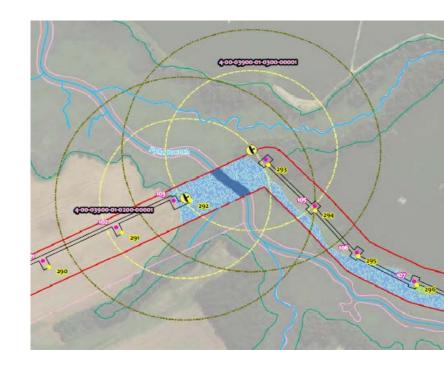
### **Raptor Nests**

- 20 nests were observed during the August, 2017 survey.
  - 14 are located on existing structures within the ROW that are proposed to be removed.
  - 4 are located on new steel monopoles that were recently installed.
  - 2 are located in trees that are in close proximity to the ROW.



## **Raptor Nests**

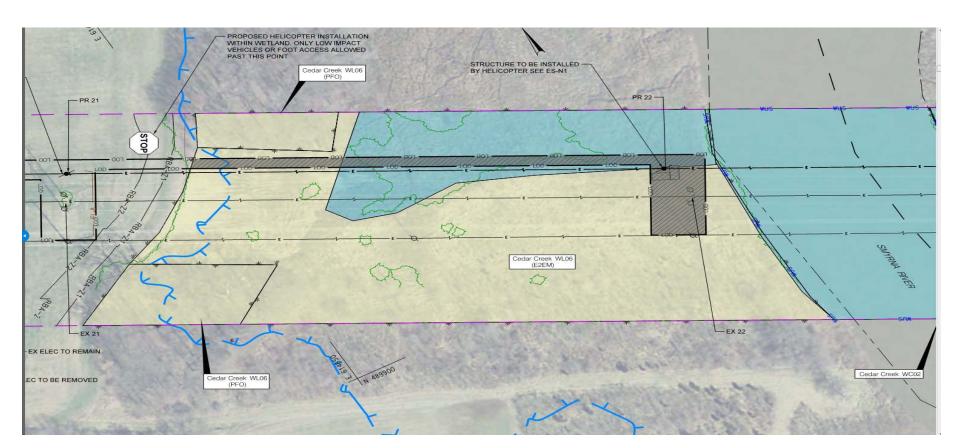
- In ROW
  - Defeated Excluders
  - Nesting on newly constructed structures
- Off ROW
  - Buffers associated with off-ROW eagle nests
  - Nesting on Phase I Red Lion to Cedar Creek Structures





## **Avoidance and Minimization**

- Erosion and Sediment Control
  - 75 SCEs
  - 53 Temporary bank-to-bank bridges
  - 23 Miles of filter log
  - 71 acres of composite matting



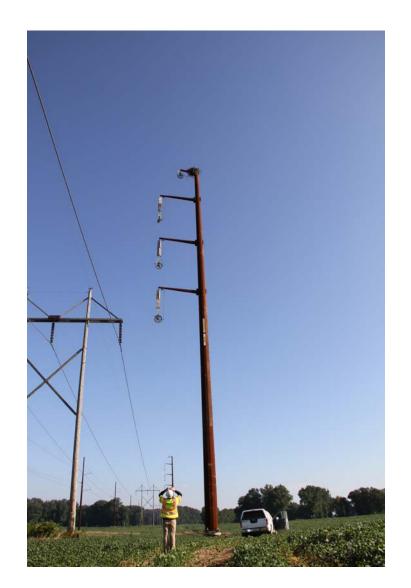
## **Avoidance and Minimization**

Low Impact Vehicle and Aircrane Construction





- The Monitor's Role
  - Serve as eyes and ears of PHI
  - Document compliance and non-compliance
  - Facilitates communication
  - Proactive issue resolution
  - Recommends measures to stay in compliance





The Monitor's Role (Cont.)

To help facilitate:				
Communication	Access			
Contractor Expectations	Agency Coordination and Involvement			
Public Interaction	Opportunities to minimize impacts			
Avoiding Violations	Permit modifications			
Community Opposition	Closure Periods			
Impact Tracking	Post Storm Inspections			
Response Preparedness	Design Review			
Water Quality	Team Integration			



Focus Areas



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- Focus Areas (Cont.)
  - Permit Compliance
  - Regulated Resources
  - Erosion & Sediment Control
  - Minimization of Impacts
  - RTE species protection
  - Project Commitments
  - Wetland Flagging
  - Pre-Construction Photographs
  - Plan Modification Submittals- DNREC / County





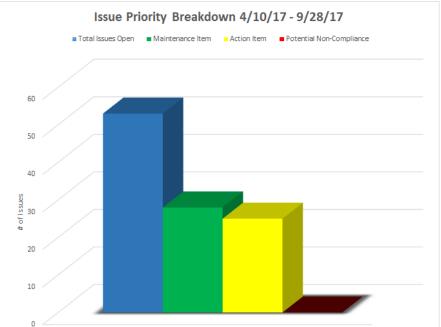
- Documentation ECAT
  - Inspection Reporting
  - Notifications
  - Issue Tracking/Resolution
  - Photo Documentation
  - Permit Condition Review

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	DETAILS	CONDITIONS REV	VIEW PHOTOS	I		
Stage	Review Date 10-06-2016	Revi Smit	ewer h, Lauren	Í		
	Review Status Compliance	Weat				
Northwest Su	Temp (Low) 52	Temp (High) 71	Precipitation 0			
3382072 Latest Status	Site Visitors None					
Compliance	Notes Construction Activities:					
Territory PEPCO	At the time of the review, the Contractor was not working. See attached Photos 1 - 4					
	The Contractor had received approval to remove all of the erosion and sediment controls throughout the ROW.					
	Safety Checklist - Attached					



- 119 Total Compliance Reviews
- 2,100 Total Hours
- 1,574 Total Images Uploaded
- 53 Total Issues Open
- 49 Issues Closed (9/28)





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