

Questions for Planning Commission (from a landowner, Laren Gertsch)

- Who is the ultimate permitting agency (PUC of Utah, Wasatch County, a Federal Agency) or all of the above)?
 - What is each group responsible for approving?
- What alternative routes have been reviewed?
 - Has consideration been given to following existing roadways?
- Are eminent domain rights applicable?
 - Are the rights derived from Federal or state law (please provide cites to specific laws)?
- How do these rights apply when an established utility corridor has not been established?
- What is the criteria for placing the line below ground versus above ground?
 - What consideration has been given to underground facilities, given the visual impact of aerial lines, beyond the cost of construction?
 - If tower line poles are installed, how will land owners be compensated for pristine landscape views losses?
- Why isn't land owner permission required to dig test holes?
 - What is the notification protocol once a conditional use permit is granted?
 - Are environmental surveys necessary given wetland areas (including biological surveys)?
 - Are archaeological survey necessary and what impact could these have on landowners property should there be a discovery?
- What types of setbacks are required due to the high voltage lines?
 - How will above ground or underground power facilities affect future development in terms of distance from residential housing?
 - What will the noise level be after construction?
 - Are there health concerns with proximity to high voltage lines (e.g. EMF)?
 - How does this affect reception for electronic devices (e.g. telephone, T.V.)?
- What are the requirements regarding metal exteriors on buildings related to these high voltage line?
- What are the requirements regarding metal fences related to these high voltage line?
- Will some type of cathodic protection be required for land owners?
 - Will an independent engineering firm, specializing in cathodic protection, assess the need for a cathodic protection system?
 - If cathodic protection equipment is necessary, will the power companies pay for it and for its maintenance, including any power source required for operation?

- How is electrolysis mitigated to avoid deterioration of metal structures (e.g. buildings, fences, etc.)
- Since vegetation is unique in the North Fields, what restoration programs will be utilized to restore “like kind” vegetation?
- Will the easements be fenced?
 - If so, what is the criteria for fence maintenance?
- Generally, how often is access to the easement needed in order to maintain the lines?
 - Will a service road be necessary?
 - If so, who will be responsible to maintain the road?