

# West Roxbury to Needham Reliability Project

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## Meeting Electric System Needs in Northeastern Massachusetts

### Project Need:

As part of its ongoing commitment to deliver reliable energy and superior service to its customers, Eversource is proposing to separate 2 existing 115-kilovolt (kV) transmission lines. The proposed transmission system improvements are required to bring the electric supply system into compliance with national and regional reliability standards.

### Project Description:

The proposed Project, called the West Roxbury to Needham Reliability Project, includes the separation of 2 existing, 4-mile, 115-kV electric transmission lines between Eversource's substation in West Roxbury, Massachusetts, and the substation in Needham, Massachusetts.

The proposed line separation would include both overhead and underground portions, and would extend through the city and municipalities of Boston, Dedham and Needham. Eversource's proposed route for the overhead portion of the new transmission line uses an existing Eversource Right of Way that runs approximately 2 miles through Boston, Dedham and Needham. The remaining 2 miles to the Needham substation will be underground within the streets in Needham.

### Project Siting/Permitting:

This Project requires approval from the Massachusetts Energy Facilities Siting Board (EFSB). The EFSB siting process includes both public and evidentiary hearings. The public and all interested stakeholders will have the opportunity to participate in the siting process through the EFSB-sponsored local public hearing process (hearing dates to be determined by the EFSB). Additionally, this Project requires environmental review and permits from local, state and federal agencies, including review under the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act (MEPA), which also encourages comments from all interested parties.

### Community Outreach:

Eversource continues to work with local officials on the proposed Project and respond to any questions or concerns. Regional public Open Houses will be held in March 2016 to introduce the proposed Project to the local communities, provide an opportunity for residents to speak one-on-one with Project representatives, and seek public comment on our proposal.

Throughout the entire process, Eversource will continue to communicate with elected and appointed officials, residents, businesses and other stakeholders to provide updates on Project milestones and respond to any questions or concerns in a timely manner.

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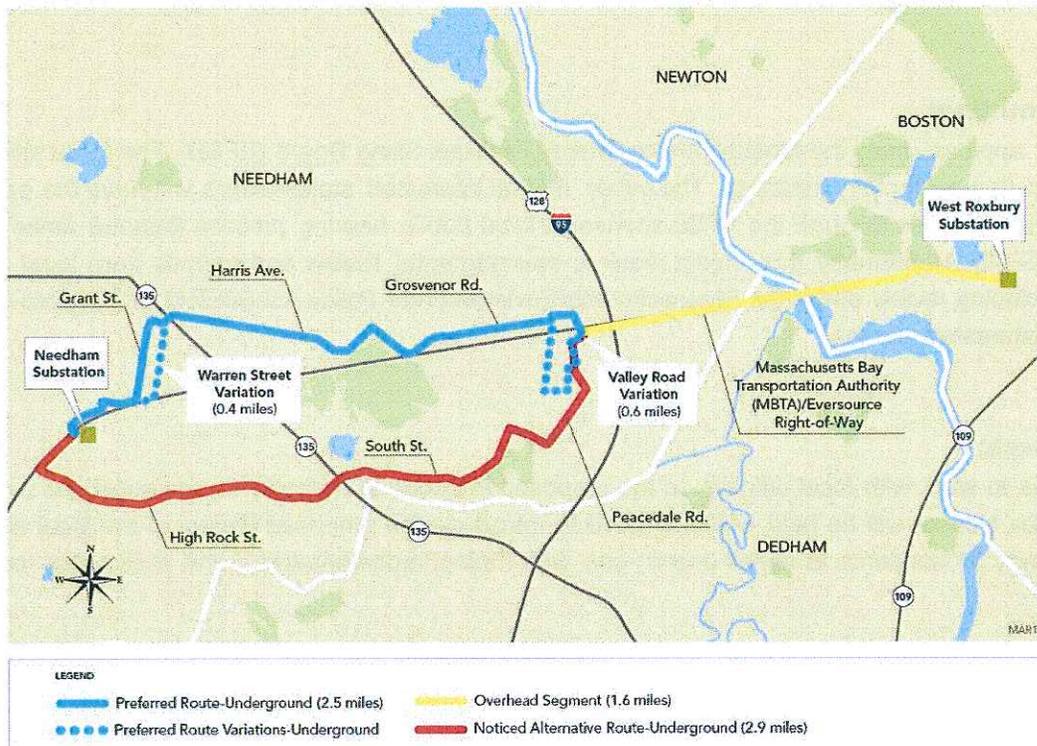
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## Anticipated Project Schedule\*

Public Open Houses	March 23, 2016 (West Roxbury) March 30, 2016 (Needham)
File Environmental Notification Form for MEPA review	Second Quarter 2016
Massachusetts EFSB Filing	Second Quarter 2016
EFSB Public Hearings	To Be Determined (Set by the EFSB)
EFSB Decision	Estimated 2017
Start of Construction (pending approvals)	2017
Estimated In-Service Date (pending approvals)	2018

\*Subject to change

## West Roxbury to Needham Reliability Project Proposed Project Routes Map



For more information please call  
**508-660-5251**

## YOUR COMMENTS, PLEASE

We appreciate your feedback. Please use this form to provide your comments on the proposed West Roxbury to Needham Line Project.

West Roxbury,  
3/23/2016

Needham, 3/30/16

FIRST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ LAST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

TOWN: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

Your comments on the proposed West Roxbury to Needham Project:

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Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns specific to your property:

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Please give your completed form to a Project Representative.

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**THANK YOU.**

