

October 1, 2026

RE: PUC DOCKET NO. 60338 Application of Brazos Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. to Amend its Certificate of Convenience and Necessity for the Proposed Taplin to Buckholts 138 kV Transmission Line Project in Milam County

Dear Landowner:

Brazos Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. (Brazos Electric) gives notice of its intent to amend its Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) to construct the proposed Taplin to Buckholts 138 kV Transmission Line Project in Milam County, Texas. The project consists of: (1) constructing a new Taplin Switching Station; (2) upgrading Buckholts Substation as a 138 kV load serving station; and (3) constructing a new double-circuit 138 kV transmission line from Taplin Switching Station to Buckholts Substation.

The project is located in Milam County approximately 2.3 to 4.6 miles southwest of the Town of Buckholts. The area is generally bounded by County Road (CR) 106 and the Old Bryant Station Bridge on the west, CR 108 and CR 108A on the east, and CR 104 and CR 105 on the north. The alternative routes cross CR 104 and Oncor Electric Delivery Company LLC's Bell County East to Sandow Switch 345 kV and Sandow Switch to Temple Switch 138 kV transmission lines.

Depending on the route approved by the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC), the transmission line will be approximately 1.74 to 2.04 miles long. A portion of each alternative route parallels Brazos Electric's existing Silver City to Buckholts 69 kV transmission line. The existing right-of-way (ROW) width is 60 feet, and the proposed project will require a 70-foot ROW. The estimated cost of the project, including the Taplin Switching Station and the Buckholts Substation upgrade, ranges from approximately \$20.8 million to \$22.6 million, depending on the route approved by the PUC.

On October 1, 2026, Brazos Electric filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) in Docket No. 60338 – *Application of Brazos Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. to Amend its Certificate of Convenience and Necessity for the Proposed Taplin to Buckholts 138 kV Transmission Line Project in Milam County*.

Your land may be directly affected in this docket. If the route on your land is approved by the PUC, Brazos Electric will have the right to build a facility which may directly affect your land. This docket will not determine the value of your land or the value of an easement if one is needed by Brazos Electric to build the facility.

All routes and route segments included in this notice are available for selection and approval by the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

If you have questions about this project, contact Chase Lipscomb of Brazos Electric at (254) 750-6283.

The enclosed brochure entitled “Landowners and Transmission Line Cases at the PUC” provides basic information about how you may participate in this docket and how you may contact the PUC. Please read this brochure carefully. The brochure includes sample forms for making comments and for making a request to intervene as a party in this docket. ***The only way to fully participate in the PUC’s decision on where to locate the transmission line is to intervene in the docket. It is important for an affected person to intervene because the utility is not obligated to keep affected persons informed of the PUC’s proceedings and cannot predict which route may or may not be approved by the PUC.***

In addition to the contacts listed in the brochure, you may call the PUC’s Customer Assistance Hotline at 1-888-782-8477. Hearing- and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the PUC’s Customer Assistance Hotline at 512-936-7136 or toll free at 1-800-735-2989. If you wish to participate in this proceeding by becoming an intervenor, the deadline for intervention in the proceeding is **November 2, 2026**, and the PUC should receive a letter from you requesting intervention by that date.

The preferred method for you to file your request for intervention is electronically. If you decide to file a request for intervention electronically, you will be required to serve the request on all other parties by email. Therefore, please include your own email address on the intervention form. Instructions for electronic filing via the “PUC Filer” on the PUC’s website can be found here: <https://interchange.puc.texas.gov/filer>. Instructions for using the PUC Filer are available at https://ftp.puc.texas.gov/public/puct-info/industry/filings/E-Filing_Instructions.pdf. For assistance with your electronic filing, please contact the PUC’s Help Desk at (512) 936-7100 or helpdesk@puc.texas.gov. You can review materials filed in this docket on the PUC Interchange at <http://interchange.puc.texas.gov>.

While the preferred method for submitting a request for intervention is electronically, you may file your request for intervention by mailing a hard copy of your request to the PUC. Any request must be received by the intervention deadline of **November 2, 2026**. If you are not filing your request for intervention electronically, mail the request for intervention and 10 copies of the request to:

Public Utility Commission of Texas Central Records
Attn: Filing Clerk
1701 N. Congress Avenue
P.O. Box 13326
Austin, TX 78711-3326

Persons who wish to intervene in the docket must also email or mail a copy of their request for intervention to all parties in the docket and all persons that have pending motions to intervene, at or before the time of request for intervention is electronically filed with, or mailed to, the PUC. In addition to the intervention deadline, other important deadlines may exist that affect your participation in this docket. You should review the orders and other filings made in the docket. The enclosed PUC brochure explains how you can access these filings.

A detailed routing map may be reviewed at the following location:

Display Location	Address
Brazos Electric Power Cooperative, Inc.	7616 Bagby Ave., Waco, TX 76712

Also enclosed is a written description of the alternative routes that have been filed with the Commission in Brazos Electric's CCN application. The PUC will make the final determination of whether the proposed route will be approved.

Sincerely,



Chase Lipscomb
Brazos Electric

Enclosures:

- Composition of Routes, Route Description, Link Descriptions, and Map
- Landowners and Transmission Line Cases at the PUC
- Request to Intervene Form
- Comment Form

Composition of Routes

Alternative Transmission Line Route	Link Combination
A	1-15-7-11-14
B	1-15-4-8-12-13-14
C	1-2-5-9-13-14

Route Description

Brazos Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. (Brazos Electric) proposes the Taplin to Buckholts 138 kilovolt (kV) Transmission Line Project in Milam County, Texas. The project consists of: (1) constructing the new Taplin Switching Station, approximately 1.6 miles northeast of Brazos Electric's existing Buckholts Substation; (2) constructing a new approximately 2 mile double-circuit 138 kV transmission line from the Taplin Switching Station to the Buckholts Substation; (3) upgrading the existing Buckholts Substation to operate at 138 kV. Depending on the route approved by the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC), the transmission line will be approximately 1.74 to 2.04 miles long. A portion of each alternative route parallels Brazos Electric's existing Silver City to Buckholts 69 kV transmission line.

Link Descriptions

Link 1:

Link 1 begins at the existing Buckholts Substation, located at the intersection of County Road (CR) 106 and Private Road 1067. It exits the northeast side of the substation and proceeds northeast for approximately 214 feet at an offset of 35 feet north of the existing Silver City to Buckholts 69 kV transmission line, and terminates at its intersection with Links 2 and 15.

Link 2:

Link 2 begins at its intersection with Links 1 and 15 and proceeds south for approximately 70 feet, crossing perpendicular to the existing Silver City to Buckholts 69 kV transmission line to an angle point. From the angle point, Link 2 proceeds northeast for approximately 0.56 miles, paralleling the south side of the existing 69 kV transmission line at an offset of approximately 35 feet, to a slight angle point. Link 2 then crosses an unnamed stream and continues east, paralleling the existing 69 kV transmission line, for approximately 0.22 miles, and terminates at its intersection with Links 3 and 5.

Link 3:

Link 3 begins at its intersection with Links 2 and 5 and proceeds northeast for approximately 77 feet, crossing the existing Silver City to Buckholts 69 kV transmission line at an oblique angle, and terminates at its intersection with Links 4, 7, and 15.

Link 4:

Link 4 begins at its intersection with Links 3, 7, and 15 and proceeds northeast for approximately 0.36 miles, paralleling the north side of the existing Silver City to Buckholts 69 kV transmission line at an offset of approximately 35 feet and crossing an unnamed creek, and terminates at its intersection with Links 6 and 8.

Link 5:

Link 5 begins at its intersection with Links 2 and 3 and proceeds northeast for approximately 0.36 miles, paralleling the south side of the existing Silver City to Buckholts 69 kV transmission line at an offset of approximately 35 feet and crossing an unnamed creek, and terminates at its intersection with Links 6 and 9.

Link 6:

Link 6 begins at its intersection with Links 5 and 9, and proceeds north for approximately 70 feet, crossing the existing Silver City to Buckholts 69 kV transmission line, and terminates at its intersection with Links 4 and 8.

Link 7:

Link 7 begins at its intersection with Links 3, 4, and 15 and proceeds northeast for approximately 0.37 miles, paralleling the east side of CR 107 at an offset of approximately 35 feet and crossing CR 104, and terminates at its intersection with Link 11.

Link 8:

Link 8 begins at its intersection with Links 4 and 6 and proceeds northeast for approximately 0.23 miles, following an unnamed dirt road and crossing CR 104, and terminates at its intersection with Link 12.

Link 9:

Link 9 begins at its intersection with Links 5 and 6 and proceeds southeast for approximately 0.1 miles, departing from the existing Silver City to Buckholts 69 kV transmission line to an angle point. From the angle point, Link 9 proceeds east for approximately 0.21 miles, crossing Oncor's Bell County East to Sandow Switch 345 kV and Sandow Switch to Temple Switch 138 kV transmission line corridor. Link 9 then turns northwest and proceeds for approximately 0.38 miles, paralleling the east side of Oncor's Sandow Switch to Temple Switch 138 kV transmission line, at an offset of approximately 100 feet, and terminates at its intersection with Links 12 and 13.

Link 11:

Link 11 begins at its intersection with Link 7, and proceeds northeast for approximately 0.43 miles, crossing an unnamed tributary and Oncor's Bell County East to Sandow Switch 345 kV and Sandow Switch to Temple Switch 138 kV transmission lines, and terminates on the east side of the Oncor transmission corridor at its intersection with Links 13 and 14.

Link 12:

Link 12 begins at its intersection with Link 8 and proceeds north for approximately 464 feet, paralleling an unnamed dirt road, to an angle point. From the angle point, Link 12 proceeds northeast for approximately 453 feet, crossing Oncor's Bell County East to Sandow Switch 345 kV and Sandow Switch to Temple Switch 138 kV transmission lines, and terminates on the east side of the Oncor transmission corridor at its intersection with Links 9 and 13.

Link 13:

Link 13 begins at its intersection with Links 9 and 12 and proceeds northeast for approximately 202 feet, and terminates at its intersection with Links 11 and 14.

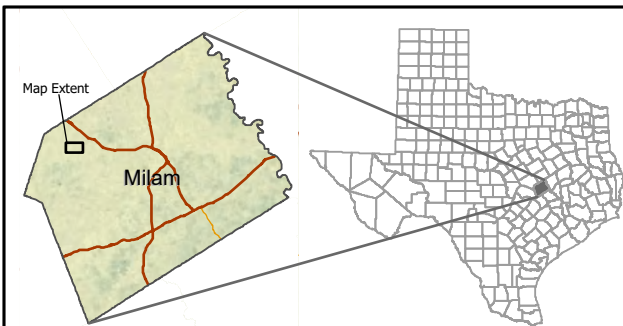
Link 14:

Link 14 begins at its intersection with Links 11 and 13 and proceeds northwest for approximately 0.11 miles, and terminates at the south side of the proposed Taplin Switching Station.

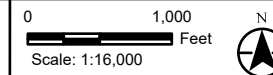
Link 15:

Link 15 begins at its intersection with Links 1 and 2 and proceeds northeast for approximately 0.57 miles, paralleling the north side of the existing Silver City to Buckholts 69 kV transmission line at an offset of approximately 35 feet and crossing an unnamed creek, to a slight angle point. From the angle point, Link 15 continues northeast for approximately 0.23 miles, and terminates at its intersection with Links 3, 4, and 7.

Alternative Transmission Line Route	Link Combination	Total Length (Miles)
A	1-15-7-11-14	1.74
B	1-15-4-8-12-13-14	1.74
C	1-2-5-9-13-14	2.04



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| | Study Area | | Existing 138 kV or 345 kV Transmission Line | | Proposed Taplin Switch |
| | Existing Substation | | | | Link Node |
| | Alternative Transmission Line Link | | Existing Substation Boundary | | Local Road |
| | Existing 69 kV Transmission Line | | Proposed Substation Expansion | | |



Notes:

1. Coordinate System: NAD 1983 Texas Statewide Mapping System (Meters)
2. Data Sources: Oaklight (2026), TxDOT (2026)
3. Background: Esri USA Topo Map (2026)

Taplin to Buckholts 138 kV Transmission Line Project

Milam County, TX



9/29/2026

Oaklight



Landowners and Transmission Line Cases at the PUC

Why am I receiving this notice?

You are receiving this notice because your property is near one of the possible routes for a proposed electric transmission line or near a proposed substation site. You can find maps of the proposed routes in the company's application on the Public Utility Commission of Texas' (PUC) Interchange using the five -digit docket number.

What does the (PUC) do?

The PUC is the Texas state agency that decides if a transmission line is needed and what route the line will follow. The PUC does not build or operate electric transmission lines or substations.

What are transmission lines and why do we need them?

Electric transmission lines carry electricity over long distances across the state. They bring electricity from power plants to cities and neighborhoods where they link to electric substations and smaller wires called distribution-level wires, that carry electricity to individual customers' homes and businesses. New electric transmission lines are needed where there is growth in electricity demand or where existing transmission lines are at full capacity and need to be expanded.

Public Participation in the Transmission Line Siting Process

How can I participate?

Depending on the level of participation you choose, you can either be a protestor or an intervenor.

- **Protestors** – If you have concerns about the transmission line, you can send us written comments about the proposed routes. These comments are filed publicly and are available to anyone who is interested in the application. Comments help inform the PUC Commissioners and staff of the public's concerns, however, they do not serve as evidence or enable the protestor to participate in the case as a participant or party.
- **Intervenors** – Intervening makes you an official participant or party in the legal case where the proposed transmission line routes are reviewed in front of a judge and the PUC Commissioners. If you are approved as an intervenor, you will be allowed to present written evidence in the case and can cross-examine witnesses. Additionally, you can testify in the case and may also be cross-examined by the other parties in the case. Intervenors must follow along with the process of the case, respond to requests from the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) and other parties, and actively participate in the case. Otherwise, they may lose their status as an intervenor. Intervenors are not required to have an attorney. The notice you received lists the deadline to intervene. Forms for intervenors can be found on the PUC website.

Why should I participate?

If you have any concerns about the proposed routes, the PUCT encourages you to participate in the siting process. As a landowner, you have detailed knowledge of the impacted area that might not be reflected in the application. Sharing your knowledge with the PUCT allows the PUCT Commissioners to make better-informed decisions about the route of the line.

How can I follow the process?

All the documents related to a case are filed in the PUCT public document interchange. You can search for the case by name or by the five-digit docket number located on your notice letter. You can also sign up to receive a notification every time a new document is added related to the case. The interchange is at

<https://interchange.puc.texas.gov/>

What is the process?

After the company files an application with the PUCT to build a new transmission line, the PUCT's technical staff reviews the application in a legal proceeding. When an intervenor or PUCT technical staff requests a hearing, the PUCT will send the application to the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH). The SOAH judge will set a hearing date, deadlines to request information from other participants and deadlines to file written testimony or a statement of position prior to the hearing. The SOAH judge may determine the format of conferences and hearings, such as through video conference with a call-in option. Participants in the case must attend the hearing to have their written testimony entered into evidence. After the hearing, the SOAH judge will provide the PUCT Commissioners a recommendation about the proposed transmission line route.

The PUCT Commissioners are not bound by the SOAH judge's recommendation in selecting a route for the transmission line. The PUCT Commissioners will issue a final decision at a public meeting that participants to the case can attend and request to make a statement. PUCT public meetings are broadcast online. The PUCT Commissioners can and sometimes do make alterations to the route in response to statements from landowners. The company building the transmission line will then negotiate with landowners to purchase easement rights on their property. The PUCT does not determine the amount of money to be paid to landowners for easements or other rights-of-way.

Until the PUCT Commissioners make a final decision, participants in the case also negotiate to find a route that satisfies everyone. The PUCT Commissioners are not required to approve a negotiated route.

The entire PUCT transmission line route review process can take up to six months.

Where do I go for more information?

The company that has applied to build the line may have more information available on their website. For more information about how to participate in the process please contact the PUCT Office of Public Engagement at 512-936-7374 or public@puc.texas.gov.

Request to Intervene in PUC Docket No. 60338

The following information must be submitted by the person requesting to intervene in this proceeding. **If you DO NOT want to be an intervenor, but still want to file comments, please complete the “Protest” form.**

Please upload a copy to the PUCT Document Interchange at:
<https://interchange.puc.texas.gov/filer>

The request must also be sent to all parties in the proceeding and to all persons that have pending motions to intervene either by email, mail, in person, by courier, or by agent.

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Phone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____

Address, City, State: _____

Email Address: _____

I am requesting to intervene in this proceeding. As an INTERVENOR, I understand the following:

- I am requesting to be a party to the case;
- I am required to respond to all discovery requests from other parties in the case;
- If I file testimony, I may be cross-examined in the hearing;
- If I file any documents in the case, I will have to provide a copy of that document to every other party in the case; and
- I acknowledge that I am bound by the Procedural Rules of the Public Utility Commission of Texas and the State Office of Administrative Hearings.

Please check one of the following:

☐ I own property with a habitable structure located near one or more of the utility's proposed routes for a transmission line.

☐ One or more of the utility's proposed routes would cross my property.

☒ Other. Please describe and provide comments. You may attach a separate page, if necessary.

Signature of person requesting intervention: _____ Date: _____

Comments in Docket No. 60338

If you want to be a PROTESTOR only, please complete this form. Although public comments are not treated as evidence, they help inform the PUCT and its staff of the public concerns and identify issues to be explored. The PUCT welcomes such participation in its proceedings.

Please upload a copy to the PUCT Document Interchange at:
<https://interchange.puc.texas.gov/filer>

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Address, City, State: _____

I am NOT requesting to intervene in this proceeding. As a PROTESTOR, I understand the following:

- I am NOT a party to this case;
- My comments are not considered evidence in this case; and
- I have no further obligation to participate in the proceeding.

Please check one of the following:

☐ I own property with a habitable structure located near one or more of the utility's proposed routes for a transmission line.

☐ One or more of the utility's proposed routes would cross my property.

☒ Other. Please describe and provide comments. You may attach a separate page, if necessary. _____

Signature of person submitting comments:

_____ Date: _____