

Project Courtesy Notice

Upcoming Transmission Line Work

D-156 Refurbishment Project

Southborough, MA



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Dear Neighbor,

National Grid will soon begin work to upgrade 5.5 miles of overhead 115 kilovolt (kV) transmission line within an existing utility right-of-way as part of the D-156 Refurbishment Project.

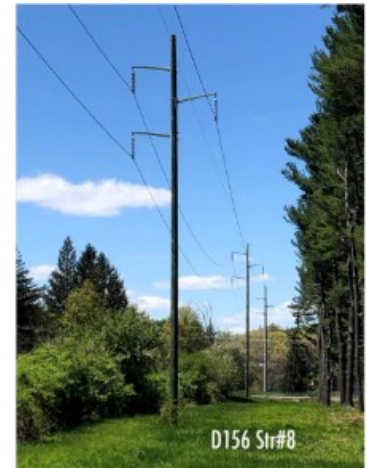
Project activity will occur in Southborough spanning between National Grid's substation on Northborough Road to south of Nichols Street.

This project will replace aging infrastructure, improve reliability, and strengthen the region's electrical transmission system for decades to come. Specifically, crews will replace 37 existing wood structures and 5 steel structures with new engineered light-duty weathered steel structures. In some cases, structures may be slightly relocated or increased in height to meet engineering standards and protect the environment.

We want to share the construction activities you may notice in your area within the transmission right-of-way:

- Vegetation management, including brush removal and mowing, beginning as early as December.
- Site preparation including installation of environmental controls, maintaining and improving gravel access roads and work pads, and installing wood timber mats in wetland and environmentally sensitive areas.
- Large construction vehicles entering and existing the work sites.
- Placement of electrical and construction equipment within the right-of-way.

During these activities, you will see an increase in vehicles and personnel in the area. Our employees, contractors, and consultants are required to



Typical D-156 wood pole structure



Example of a weathered Steel structure

wear personal protective equipment (PPE), including hard hats, high-visibility vests, and photo IDs.

Work will generally occur between 7:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M., Monday through Friday with Saturday work as needed. Truck traffic will proceed with caution on local streets. Please note there are no scheduled power interruptions associated with this work.

If you have any questions or would like additional information about construction activities, please contact our Project Hotline at **781-236-6286**.

Sincerely,

Julia Kaplan, Senior Specialist

National Grid

Project Engagement

D-156 Refurbishment Project Map

