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# Line 5 **Wisconsin Segment Relocation Project**

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**Keeping You Informed** 

# **Message from Trent**



Greetings. COVID-19 has created an extraordinary set of circumstances and challenges. We are sending this newsletter to inform readers about the status of our Line 5 Segment Relocation Project in Wisconsin, and what we are doing to protect communities, our

employees, and all who we connect with during this unprecedented time

Specifically to address COVID-19, Enbridge has Pandemic Protocols that establish standards and expectations for workers on our projects with a strong focus on protecting people and assets. If we can't do

network of pipelines, cables, and various other underground utilities.

Across Wisconsin, people perform routine maintenance and activities that may require digging. Not knowing what is located below the surface could be putting yourself and others at risk of serious or fatal injury.

As a pipeline operator whose highest priority is safety, we ask that you dig responsibly to keep yourself, your family, friends, and neighbors safe

Always Call or Click Before You Dig. In Wisconsin, this is as simple as calling 811 or visiting clickbeforeyoudig.com at least two to three business days in advance of any ground disturbance projects. Remember, damage prevention is a shared

### Information for communities in Ashland and Iron counties

## **Project update**

#### Permitting

Enbridge initiated the formal permitting process on the Line 5 Wisconsin Segment Relocation Project (Project) when it submitted permit applications in early February with the

- Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources,
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and
- Public Service Commission of Wisconsin for a Public Interest Determination.

These agencies will be providing opportunities for public comment on the Project, the details of which Enbridge will share when they are available.

### **Open Houses**



Hurlev open house

Over a three-day period in mid-February, Enbridge hosted a series of open houses for the public. Nearly 150 people attended open house Ashland, Mellen and Hurley. The open houses were designed to inform the public about the Project, gather public feedback, and foster interactions between the public and members of the project team

our work safely, we won't do it.

Springtime is also a time to remember to call before you dia. Out of sight, out of mind-a timeworn motto that can have dangerous consequences. It can be easy to forget that beneath our feet is a

Best wishes,

**Trent Wetmore Midwest Regional Director** 

## **COVID-19** safety

Thank you to all front-line workers supporting communities in northern Wisconsin during this time!

During the COVID-19 response, energy infrastructure has been deemed essential by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and the State of Wisconsin. This includes the Line 5 Wisconsin Segment Relocation Project. Workers are doing surveys and other necessary work as Enbridge prepares to move Line 5 off the Bad River Reservation. We are using the latest guidance from local, national and international health organizations to protect landowners, surrounding communities and field workers from coronavirus exposure.

As part of our COVID-19 safety plans for conduct in the field, our employees and contractors are:

- Maintaining six feet of separation and social distance.
- Regularly cleaning and sanitizing work areas and implements, and
- Using technology to reduce physical distribution of material and documentation.

We are also requiring contractors include identification of the hazards and mitigations of COVID-19 within their safety plans.

If we cannot do the work safely, we will not do it.

You can also track via the following sites:

View and track the WDNR permit application at: https://permits.dnr.wi.gov/water/SitePages/ DocSetView.aspx?DocSet=WP-IP-NO-2020-2-X02-11T12-18-51

View and track the PSCW permit application at: http://apps.psc.wi.gov/vs2015/ERF\_view/viewdoc. aspx?docid=383556



Geotechnical work being performed along Line 5 Wisconsin Segment Relocation Proposed Route If you were unable to attend one of the open houses, you can find the information available at the open houses on our website at enbridge.com/L5wis.

#### **Geotechnical Boring**

As part of its ongoing pre-construction activities, Enbridge is in the process of conducting geotechnical boring along the proposed project route. Geotechnical boring is a below ground investigation of the soil strata to establish its compressibility, strength, and other characteristics likely to influence the Project, and is necessary to prepare a subsurface profile and soil report. These and other field activities in support of the Project are being performed in accordance with executive orders pertaining to COVID-19, and field crews are taking all appropriate health and safety precautions.



### In Your Community



On March 3, Jennifer Smith, Enbridge Community Engagement Manager, presented a check to Mayor Barabee and members of the Mellen City Council

### **Enbridge Finalizes Land Purchase from City of Mellen**

The Mellen City Council received \$1.5M dollars from Enbridge for a 5-acre tract of land located between Mellen and Copper Falls State Park. The City of Mellen will be using the money to meet various community needs, potentially including transportation infrastructure, school safety, and fire and emergency services. By agreement, the City of Mellen will pay \$500,000 to Ashland County and the tract will remain available for public use, except for a short period during construction.



### Supporting Wisconsin Communities

As people across Wisconsin do their part to help each other during the time of COVID-19, Enbridge has been supporting charitable organizations across its pipeline system in the Upper Midwest with financial contributions. Enbridge recently contributed \$5,000 to Northwest Wisconsin Community Services Agency -- a community-based organization dedicated to the betterment of life for low-income residents in the counties

of Douglas, Ashland, Bayfield, Iron and Price. Enbridge is also partnering with local businesses to meet

community needs. In early April, Enbridge purchased 300 meal vouchers from the Burger Barn in Ashland for residents served by Brick Ministries. Together, we provided meals to low income residents of Ashland and Bayfield County.

"A HUGE Thank You to Enbridge. They purchased 300 meals to be delivered via the BRICK. We dropped off the meal vouchers today (April 7) and they will be distributed in Ashland & Mellen. What an awesome gesture in these crazy times! Thanks Enbridge!" Burger Barn

Iron Nugget + Iron County Human Services + Heart of the North – Iron County Human Services organized a free meal program for low income residents, with food provided by the Iron Nugget in Hurley and the Heart of the North Restaurant in Mercer. Enbridge donated \$3,000 for food vouchers to support this effort.



> Burger Barn meal vouchers

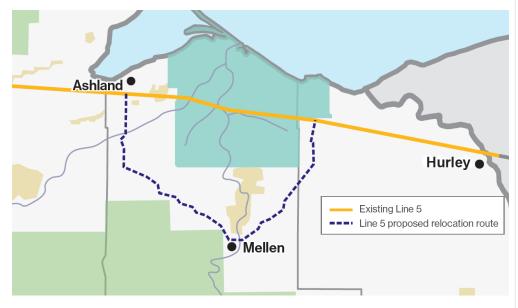
The Ashland Historical Society Museum on Main Street West in Ashland celebrates the long history of the community with new exhibits, a large collection of photos and research resources. Earlier this year, the non-profit organization accepted a \$5,000 donation from Enbridge which is observing its 70th anniversary in Wisconsin.



Check out Ashland's Historic Mural Walk while practicing physical distancing. It's free and beautiful artwork.

#### In the Know

### **Your questions answered**



### About Line 5

- What products does Line 5 transport? With an annual average capacity of 540,000 barrels per day, Line 5 transports light crude oil, light synthetic crude oil, and natural gas liguids (NGLs).
- **Does Line 5 transport 'Tar Sands' oil?** No. Line 5 is not designed to transport heavy crude oil from the so-called 'Tar Sands' of western Canada. Much of the

because it is 100 miles in length, or 59 miles longer than the proposed route. In other words, there are 59 miles of more impacts to environmental resources including forests, wetlands, and the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forests.

When will mainline construction begin and how long will it last? Enbridge expects to begin construction in 2021 pending receipt of all permits. This schedule is subject to change based on final

### Making and Classifying Native American Stone Tools

Earlier this year, Enbridge hosted active learning workshops for tribal citizens interested in training on various aspects of cultural resources management. One such workshop focused on the types of stone tools made and used by Pre-contact Native Americans. Since stone like chert is hard and durable, these artifacts are more likely to be preserved over time and, consequently, identified during field surveys such as those for Line 5.

The training is based on the principle that the best way to understand stone tools is to learn how to make and use them, a process known as experimental archaeology. In North America, interest in stone working, also called 'flintknapping,' can be traced to the extraordinary life of the California Yahi man called Ishi. Living in the early part of the 20th century, Ishi taught his friends and colleagues the ancient methods of making stone tools,

In addition, up to \$1 billion in funds are available through the Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund, administered by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, and can be obtained rapidly in the event of a spill.

### For Landowners

• What is a perpetual easement? A perpetual easement is an interest in a landowner's property to construct, operate and maintain a pipeline for the



as well as all aspects of the traditional lifeways of his people, which had remained unchanged for thousands of years.

Tribal citizens from Bad River and the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community attended the workshops, which explored flintknapping, the tools and raw materials used in the manufacture of projectile points, knives and end-scrapers, as well as how these objects are classified.

• What rights do landowners have to use their easement area? Once installation and reclamation of the surface is complete, the landowner gets to use the surface almost as if there was no pipe installed. The exceptions are any activities that could reduce the depth of cover, interfere with maintenance, operation, or inspection of the pipeline. Examples are heavy machinery (heavier than standard farm equipment), explosives, or any digging. Prohibited and permissible activities are defined in the documents provided to the landowner.

so-called 'Tar Sands' of western Canada. Much of the product Line 5 transports emanates from the oil and gas production areas of North Dakota.

How do communities in northern Wisconsin benefit from Line 5? Line 5 is an important piece of energy infrastructure that transports essential products to heat homes, schools and businesses; powers transportation; and fuels industry in Wisconsin, the larger Midwest region, and Eastern Canada. Line 5 delivers NGLs to the Plains Midstream Depropanization Facility at Rapid River in the Upper Peninsula, at which much of the NGLs deliveries are converted to propane that is then distributed by heating dealers to homes and businesses in Wisconsin and Michigan.

### About the Proposed Route / Construction

Why isn't Line 5 being rerouted outside of the Bad River Watershed? The location of the Bad River Reservation and the Band's request to have Line 5 relocated outside the Bad River Watershed influenced Enbridge's consideration of potential route alternatives. Enbridge reviewed route options that would avoid the Reservation, taking into account potential tie-in locations for the replacement segment, and lessen the length of the pipeline segment while minimizing impacts on environmental resources and communities. Enbridge evaluated a route alternative that would be located outside the designated sub-watersheds having surface flow connectivity into the Bad River Watershed. Potential environmental impacts associated with that alternative are generally much greater than the proposed route, primarily

planning, final environmental permitting, access to land, and weather.

How much right-of-way will be required during construction? Construction of the Project will generally require a 120-foot-wide construction ROW in upland areas. The construction ROW will allow for temporary storage of topsoil and spoil as well as accommodate safe operation of construction equipment. The Project will generally use a 95-foot-wide construction ROW in wetland areas. The Project will require 50 feet of new, permanent ROW, 70 feet of temporary workspace in uplands, and 45 feet of temporary workspace in wetlands.

### About Safety

- What is the safety record of Line 5 in Wisconsin? Data from the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration confirms that there have been no spills on the Wisconsin portion of the pipeline in the past 15 years. Of the three incidents on Line 5 in Wisconsin, the two most recent, in 1992 and 2002, were located at Enbridge's Superior Terminal, and were contained within our facility.
- Who would be liable if there were ever a release on Line 5? If there were ever a release on Line 5, Enbridge – and Enbridge alone – would be fully liable. Enbridge carries more than \$900 million in insurance coverage, and the company's existing insurance policies, as well as its overall financial position, more than ensure that any release on Line 5 would be sufficiently remediated by the company at no cost to communities or taxpayers.

purpose of transporting energy during the lifetime of that pipeline.

- How wide will the easement be? The permanent easement on the Line 5 reroute will be 50-feet wide.
- Can landowners limit access to the easement, and how would damage to their property be addressed? Enbridge works with landowners individually on access and damages and is fully transparent during discussions. Those calculations are done on a case-by-case basis and designed to prevent any confusion. The same goes for access to the easement. Landowners are provided all information needed to make their decision, as well as access to personal follow-up for any questions.
- Can landowners require Enbridge to restore damaged land or pay for loss of trees, crops, etc.? Enbridge works with landowners to ensure property is restored to their satisfaction. Where appropriate, Enbridge tries to reach agreement with landowners as to the value of merchantable timber or ornamental trees, including offering to have a specialist examine the trees and provide an estimate of their value.
- Is Enbridge strictly liable for all damages caused by the company or its contractors? Yes. Enbridge takes full responsibility for any damages that it causes; this language is included in the documents provided to landowners. The legal language that applies to liability for damages is indemnity. Enbridge indemnifies landowners from Enbridge's actions, including accidents. Put simply, if Enbridge damages a landowner's property it will correct the damage or pay the landowner monetary damages.

Are landowners indemnified from any actions or omissions by Enbridge or its contractors during construction and operation of the pipeline?

Enbridge indemnifies (holds harmless) landowners from any and all losses of or damages to property or injuries to or death of any person resulting from the company's activity on the ROW unless such loss, damage, injury or death results from the negligent or intentional acts or omissions of a landowners, its agents, representatives, employees, contractors, or invitees.

- How deep will the pipeline be buried? All of Enbridge's pipelines are buried to a depth that meets, and in many cases exceeds, applicable federal regulations which require transmission pipelines be buried at least 30" below the surface in rural areas and deeper in more populated areas. In addition, pipelines must be buried deeper in some locations, such as at road crossings and crossings of bodies of water and may be less in other locations such as when it is installed in consolidated rock. In agricultural areas, the new pipeline would be buried 48" to the pipe top.
- Will Enbridge identify all streams and wetlands
  Enbridge plans to cross along with stream

**restoration?** Enbridge conducts field surveys to identify the wetlands and waterbodies that would be crossed by a project. Data from these surveys is included in the permit applications Enbridge submits to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the state department of natural resources. Enbridge also works with these agencies to establish restoration procedures once construction is completed.