

Ayer Substation Project

Ayer, Massachusetts

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WHAT?

As one of your regional electricity providers, National Grid regularly updates our systems to ensure that you receive the best possible service to your home and business every day.

The Ayer Substation Project will replace, refurbish, and upgrade the existing substation's infrastructure as well as update the connection between the two recently replaced transmission line poles and the substation. This substation was originally constructed in the 1940's with many of its existing assets still in service today. National Grid will be investing approximately 80 million dollars into this refurbishment, which will strengthen the region's electrical transmission system.

The Project will also involve:

- Expansion of the substation's eastern limits towards Bishop Road and Park Street.
- Ongoing distribution line work along Bishop Road and Park Street.

WHERE?

The Project will occur in and around the existing Ayer Substation, the transmission line corridor near the substation, and along Bishop Road and Park Street in Ayer, Massachusetts. **The location of the Ayer Substation is illustrated on the other side of this page.**

WHY?

A strong electrical transmission system is vital to our region's safety, security, and economic prosperity. In 2018, National Grid assessed the condition of the existing substation equipment, which identified a need for the Project. The Project will modernize the existing substation, replace equipment that is nearing the end of its useful life, and provide adequate spacing for substation infrastructure and possible future upgrades. These updates will address the need for improved reliability of the substation and to meet the increase in demand for electricity in the surrounding communities.

WHEN?

Some of the transmission line work associated with the Project began in the summer of 2024 and occurred sporadically through the fall. The majority of construction is expected to begin in earnest in May of 2025 and be completed by December 2027.

National Grid is committed to keeping you informed and encourages feedback from project neighbors, public officials, and other stakeholders. We are committed to keeping, residents, businesses, community groups, and local officials informed about this Project.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please reach out to the Stakeholder Relations representative, Leah Gymziak.

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