

North Plains Connector Overview

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Grid United Overview

Grid United: Building America's Next Generation Energy Infrastructure



- Team of experienced energy professionals who have managed, built, and financed large-scale infrastructure projects across North America
- Grid United is developing utility-scale electric transmission projects that will provide:
 - Long-term economic benefits to communities across America
 - Improved grid resiliency for our homes and businesses
 - Cost savings for electricity consumers

Differentiated Approach

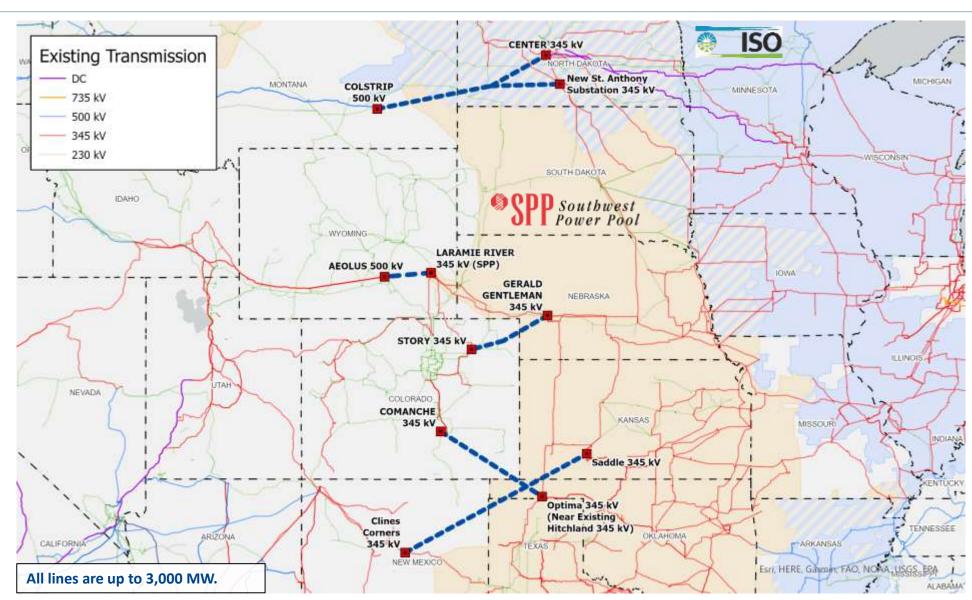
- Capitalization from Centaurus Capital—investment vehicle of John Arnold—enables innovative development strategies
- Flexible business model with respect to "develop, build, own, and operate" vs. "develop and sell"
- Speedy approach outside of utility/RTO transmission planning process

"Stakeholder First" Strategy

- Effectively seek stakeholder input on routing decisions
- Early engagement with affected landowners

Selected Project Portfolio









Project Overview

North Plains Connector: Overview



Project Configuration

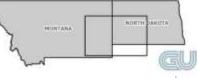
- Route:
 - Length: ~380 miles
 - Stakeholder-first strategy incorporates early feedback from agencies, government officials, and landowners to "de-risk" project
 - Landowner outreach began in Q2 2022
 - 92% of route survey permissions acquired
- Rating:
 - 525 kV HVDC (VSC), 3,000 MW
 - o Montana:
 - 3,000 MW into the Colstrip 500 kV system
 - North Dakota:
 - 1,500 MW connection at new substation (SPP)
 - 1,500 MW connection at Center (MISO)

Overview Map



☆ Substations

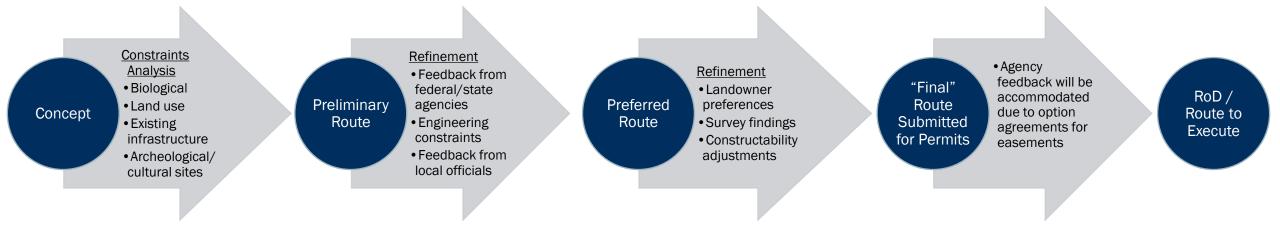
— Preferred Route



Grid United's Unique Routing & Acquisition Strategy



Our unique routing process incorporates stakeholder feedback <u>prior to</u> seeking regulatory approval, fostering positive relationships with landowners and communities during early planning.



We begin land acquisition early in the development process—while route refinement and field surveys are ongoing.

Survey Access

- Sign survey agreements
 & pay for survey access
- Begin seeking landowner feedback on route

Right-of-Way Acquisition

 In areas with completed surveys and landowner agreement on route, begin signing option agreements and paying for easements

Route Permitted

- Exercise option agreements per licensed route
- If needed, seek new easement agreements

Project Timeline



