

PROTECTING THE MISSISSIPPI–MISSOURI CONFLUENCE

Supporting Missouri's Electric Grid While Protecting the Confluence East of Highway 79

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WHAT IS HAPPENING

Ameren Missouri is evaluating routes for new high-voltage transmission lines as part of its Eastern Missouri Grid Transformation Project. Some routes under consideration would open new corridors through the Confluence east of Highway 79, one of North America's most significant natural landscapes. A route decision is expected in the months ahead, and public input is now being reviewed and logged.

WHY THE CONFLUENCE MATTERS

- Two of our continent's greatest rivers meet to form a living ecosystem of national significance: rivers, wetlands, bottomland forests, farms, and managed wildlife lands functioning as a single connected landscape.
- It is a critical link in the Mississippi Flyway. Millions of migratory birds depend on it every year, along with bald eagles, deer, turkey, and countless other species.
- It represents a generations-long investment in protection, restoration, and stewardship by public agencies, conservation organizations, landowners, clubs, volunteers, and people who love the outdoors.
- Because the ecosystem is connected, a new corridor cut through its heart affects far more than the ground beneath the towers.

THE COALITION'S POSITION

WE SUPPORT modernizing and strengthening Missouri's electric grid.

WE OPPOSE the establishment of new transmission corridors through the Confluence east of Highway 79.

WE ASK decision-makers to give priority preference to routes along existing transportation and utility corridors.

WHAT THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOUND

A coalition of conservation organizations, landowners, scientists, engineers, and citizens prepared a full Environmental Assessment. The Assessment documents recurring seasonal flooding across the project area, significant wildlife resources, including documented bald eagle nests, and the long-term engineering challenges of building and maintaining major infrastructure in the historic natural floodplain of the Confluence. The Assessment further concludes that existing corridors warrant a comprehensive evaluation before any new corridor is considered.

ADD YOUR NAME

When signed, every Declaration is delivered to Ameren's project team and logged in their official project record. Signing takes about two minutes, and no account is required.

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