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## Public open houses planned

Rocky Mountain Power is holding several public open house meetings in your area to share information and gather comments regarding the project. Everyone is invited to participate.

### Wednesday, August 13

5 p.m. – 7 p.m.  
Henefer Fire Station  
310 South Henefer Road  
Henefer, Utah

### Thursday, August 14

5 p.m. – 7 p.m.  
Evanston Middle School  
341 Summit Street  
Evanston, Wyoming

## We'd like to hear from you.

Have a question or comment about this project? Call us at **(801) 220-4221** or send us an e-mail at **ConstructionProjects@pacificorp.com**. Please be sure to include the project name – Thief Creek to Silver Creek – when you contact us. You'll also find information about construction projects on our Web site at **www.rockymountainpower.net/transmission**.

# transmission lines

Important news about Rocky Mountain Power's proposed **Thief Creek to Silver Creek** transmission project

## Helping to meet the region's growing demand for electricity

In response to the growing electrical demand by our customers, Rocky Mountain Power is always working to provide safe, reliable and efficient service. As we announced earlier this spring, we're planning a new transmission project – Thief Creek to Silver Creek – to improve electric service reliability and operational flexibility in the area.

### The Thief Creek to Silver Creek project study area has been expanded

Within the newly expanded area, Rocky Mountain plans to build:

- A transmission line near the southwest corner of Wyoming to the Silver Creek substation, located at the junction of U.S. Highway 40 and State Highway 248;
- A new substation near Coalville City that will provide a new source of electricity and improve voltage support to the communities in Summit County.

Based on additional information acquired through this process, the original study area for the transmission line has been expanded. A total of five alternative routes are being studied with two different points of origin.

- An additional route has been identified and has been added to the list of routes being evaluated.
- Engineering studies are underway to evaluate the routes under consideration.

- The potential routes will be considered and the best alternative for customers will be selected.

Rocky Mountain Power recognizes the importance of developing new infrastructure in cooperation with the planning efforts of municipal, state, and federal agencies in the area. As part of this process, the company is inviting you and other local residents to open house discussions on August 13 and 14 (see details in the side bar to the left).

### Why is a new transmission line needed?

Demand for electricity in the area is growing, and additional electrical capacity is necessary to serve the growing demand.

This project will benefit all customers by supporting future economic growth and improving the electrical system's reliability through increased capacity. It will also facilitate the delivery of power from potential renewable energy projects in Utah and Wyoming.

### Project description and phasing

#### Phase I

- A new transmission line will be constructed to the Coalville area from either Thief Creek substation near the Wyoming/Utah border or Evanston substation in Evanston, Wyoming.
- A new substation will be constructed at some point on the transmission line.

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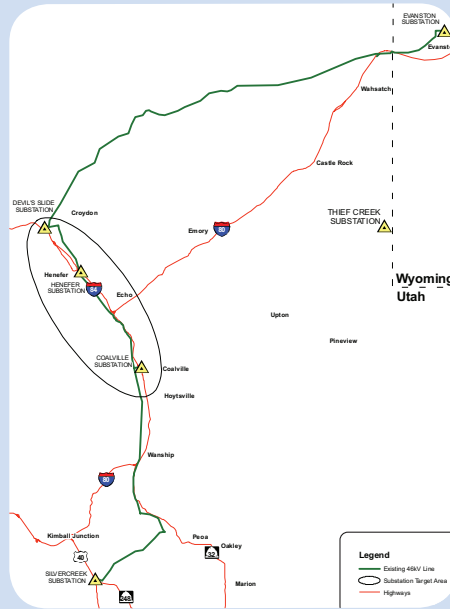
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### Phase II

- The existing transmission line from the Coalville substation to the Silver Creek substation will be upgraded to increase its capacity to serve customers.
- The new transmission line will be constructed using both single and double-circuit configurations. Examples of structures and line configurations will be available at the open house.

### Project schedule

Rocky Mountain Power is in the process of meeting with local officials, stakeholders and agencies to present the project and gather information. Required permit applications will then be prepared and submitted for approval. Once the permitting process is completed and approvals are obtained, construction of the project will begin. A proposed timeline is outlined in the sidebar to the right.



This map shows the study area for the new transmission project. Rocky Mountain Power is planning to add new transmission and substation support to better serve the growing needs of our customers and renewable energy development.

## Timeline for the project

- March – August 2008**
  - Stakeholder/Agency briefings
- September 2008 – April 2010**
  - Permitting of Phases I and II
- April – October 2009**
  - Construction of Phase I
- November 2009**
  - Phase I in service
- April – October 2010**
  - Construction of Phase II
- November 2010**
  - Phase II in service

### Important news about our Thief Creek to Silver Creek transmission project

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