

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**WASHINGTON DULLES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**  
**ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT NOW AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW AND**  
**COMMENT: POLAND ROAD 230-KV TRANSMISSION AND SUBSTATION**  
**PROJECT**

The Federal Aviation Administration has accepted the draft Form “C” Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Poland Road 230-kV Transmission and Substation Project located partially on the Washington Dulles International Airport. Dominion Virginia Power (Dominion) proposes to build a new 230-kilovolt (kV) electric transmission line in Loudoun County in order to provide continued reliable electric service in the Dulles area of northern Virginia. The Project is referred to as the Poland Road 230-kV Transmission Line (the Project) and includes the construction of an approximately 4-mile overhead 230-kV transmission line connecting the proposed Poland Road Substation to the existing electric transmission network. A portion of the Project proposes to cross Dulles International Airport (IAD) property (Appendix 1). IAD, located in Fairfax and Loudoun Counties in Virginia, is approximately 26 miles west of the District of Columbia. The Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority (MWAA) actively manages IAD and Reagan National Airport. Approximately 1 mile of the Proposed Action falls within the IAD property. While being managed by MWAA, IAD is owned by the Federal Government. The Federal Action is to acquire a real estate easement, which will require Federal approval of the update to the IAD Airport Layout Plan, for the portion of the proposed transmission line that falls within the IAD boundary. A total of 45.2 to 55.1 acres of ROW would be required for the Project, 11.6 to 13.0 acres of which would be on IAD property. The Project is needed due to the increased energy demand from new economic development, particularly in the commercial/high-tech sector.

As an integral part of the planning for this project, a Draft Short Form Environmental Assessment (EA) was prepared to evaluate existing conditions and potential environmental effects. The Draft EA addresses the environmental consequences of the Proposed Federal Action. The Draft EA was prepared and comments are requested in conformance with the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

**Beginning, April 10, 2017, copies of the Draft Environmental Assessment are being made available for public review and comment at the following libraries:**

Centreville Regional Library (14200 St. Germain Dr. Centreville, VA), Chantilly Regional Library (4000 Stringfellow Rd. Chantilly, VA), and Fairfax City Regional Library (3915 Chain Bridge Rd. Fairfax, VA). The report is also available in electronic format at <https://www.dom.com/about-us/news-center/electric-projects-and-initiatives/power-line-projects/poland-road-project>

For further information, questions or to submit written comments concerning the EA please contact:

Dewberry Consultants LLC  
Scott Shifflett

Senior Environmental Scientist & NEPA Professional  
8401 Arlington Boulevard  
Fairfax, VA 22031  
sshifflett@dewberry.com  
(703)849-0208

**The record is open for public comment until 5:00 p.m. on April 25, 2017.**