



You Deserve the Facts



✓ **FACT** No final route has been selected for the Valley North Project.

The Valley North Project remains in development, and Valley Link continues to seek landowner input. Community feedback, technical requirements and environmental considerations will help shape the routes that move forward for additional review.

We are hosting another round of open houses this fall to gather community feedback on alternative routes. Landowners can still provide feedback at open houses, through GeoVoice, or by contacting the project team. Valley Link will review community input before refining the routes into a preferred and alternate route that will be submitted to the Public Service Commissions of West Virginia and Maryland and the State Corporation Commission of Virginia for a decision.

✓ **FACT** The Valley North Project is designed to benefit all the states and communities it reaches.

The Valley North Project strengthens the electric system that homes, businesses, schools, hospitals, and emergency services rely on every day. It is not designed for one customer or one industry. It helps meet growing energy needs across the region and keeps reliable power moving where it is needed.

Much of the region's transmission system was built for lower demand. As energy use grows and equipment ages, the system faces more strain, especially during peak periods. The Valley North Project helps address that challenge while supporting future economic growth, construction jobs, local spending and the reliable infrastructure communities need to attract new investment.

✓ **FACT** Decades of research have not found a causal link between EMF exposure from power lines and negative health impacts.

Electric and magnetic fields (EMF) are produced whenever electricity is used, including by common household appliances. Decades of research have not established a cause-and-effect relationship between power line EMF exposure and adverse health effects in people, pets or livestock. Valley Link is also conducting EMF modeling for the project and plans to submit the findings during the regulatory process.

Learn more through our online tool: power-viz.com/valley-link-emf/

✓ **FACT** Transmission lines typically do not reduce property values or cause utility bills to skyrocket.

Research has generally found little evidence that transmission line proximity or visibility consistently reduces residential property values. Some studies show modest, localized effects, but results vary by line type, distance, placement, and local market conditions. Effects often lessen with distance.

When it comes to bills, we're working to minimize the impact on ratepayers. Transmission costs are spread across millions of customers in the regional system and recovered over the life of the asset, typically about 60 years. Because the Valley North Project supports regional grid reliability and efficiency, one local area does not cover the full cost alone.

Transmission projects also differ from distribution upgrades, which more often create noticeable bill impacts. Projects like Valley North typically have a relatively small impact compared to overall electric bills.



You can learn more through the resources on our website:
vtransmission.com/valley-north/get-the-facts/