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To all interested parties:

This letter shall serve as a formal notice of the receipt of an application for **Section 401 Water Quality Certification** by the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM). The purpose of the notice is to inform the public of active applications submitted for water quality certification under Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1341) and to solicit comments and information on any impacts to water quality related to the proposed project. IDEM will evaluate whether the project complies with Indiana's water quality standards as set forth at 327 IAC 2.

- 1. Applicant:** Anthony Pedroni
Benton Transmission Co, LLC
700 Universe Boulevard
Juno Beach, FL 33408
 - 2. Agent:** Alicia Douglass
Environmental Consulting & Technology, Inc.
161 E. Aurora Road
Northfield, OH 44067
 - 3. Project location:** The Project originates at a proposed collector substation (40.519713°N, -87.150340°W), north of Highway 52 in Benton County, passes through the town of Otterbein, and terminates at a point of interconnect with the Duke Energy Westwood 345kV Substation (40.443548°N, -86.997595°W) south of Highway 26 in Tippecanoe County, Indiana.
 - 4. Affected waterbodies:** A total of 3.98 acres of palustrine forested (PFO) wetland and 0.07 acres of palustrine scrub-shrub (PSS) wetland will be converted to palustrine emergent (PEM) wetland. 0.048 acres of PEM and 0.003 acres of PFO wetland will be permanently filled for the installation of 17 transmission structures.
 - 5. Project Description:** The project plans to construct an approximately 13.4-mile 345 kV transmission line in Benton and Tippecanoe Counties, Indiana. Temporary access road crossings, work pads, and construction pull pads are necessary to obtain equipment access to install the transmission structures and associated line. Temporary impacts will total 0.652 acres of PEM wetland, 0.013 acres of PSS wetland, and 0.461 acres of PFO wetland. Disturbed areas will be reseeded.

Benton Transmission proposes to purchase 12.2 wetland mitigation credits from the Indiana In-Lieu Fee Mitigation Program in the Middle Wabash Service Area for the unavoidable conversion of forested and scrub-shrub wetlands to emergent vegetation communities and impacts from permanent fill totaling 4.1 acres.





Additional information may be found online at <https://www.in.gov/idem/5474.htm>
- Comment period:** Any person or entity who wishes to submit comments or information relevant to the aforementioned project may do so by the closing date noted above. Only comments or information related to water quality or potential impacts of the project on water quality can be considered by IDEM in the water quality certification review process.
- Public Hearing:** Any person may submit a written request that a public hearing be held to consider issues related to water quality in connection with the project detailed in this notice. The request for a hearing should be submitted within the comment period to be considered timely. The request should also state the reason for the public hearing as specifically as possible to assist IDEM in determining whether a public hearing is warranted.

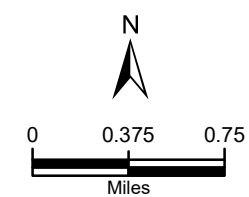
Questions?

Additional information may be obtained from WaterwaysComments@idem.IN.gov. Please address all correspondence to the email and reference the IDEM project identification number listed on this notice. Indicate if you wish to receive a copy of IDEM's final decision. Written comments and inquiries may be forwarded to -

Indiana Department of Environmental Management
100 North Senate Avenue
MC65-42 WQS IGCN 1255
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-2251 FAX: 317/232-8406



-  Proposed Collector Substation
-  Existing Point of Interconnect (POI)
-  Project Limits of Disturbance (LOD)
-  Impact Crossing Map Extent



Base Layer: ESRI World Street Map

Figure 1
Aquatic Resources Impact Map Index
 Templeton Transmission Line Project
 Tippecanoe and Benton Counties, Indiana
 Date: 10/30/2025

