



ENERGY FACT SHEET:

ECONOMIC BENEFITS

CLEAN ENERGY TRANSMISSION PROVIDES SEVERAL BENEFITS FOR LOCAL COMMUNITIES AND ECONOMIES THROUGHOUT THE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

RELIABILITY

- Expanded transmission provides connections to energy from a broader geographic area, decreasing chances of outages
- A Department of Energy report noted that power outages will cost Americans about \$200 billion by 2020

MAKING THE ENERGY MARKET DIVERSE AND COMPETITIVE

- Offers a wider range of options for states and utilities to meet their energy needs, creating more competition in the power sector by increasing the accessibility of renewable energy resources
- Updating transmission infrastructure also allows for distributed renewable generation to be integrated more efficiently into the electric grid

MEETING PUBLIC POLICY GOALS

- Transmission assists states in meeting public policy goals, such as state renewable energy standards, connecting states to local and regional renewable energy resources that can provide for states energy needs

EMPLOYMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

According to the National Renewable Energy Labs (NREL) Jobs and Economic Development Impact (JEDI), 50 miles of 345 kV transmission line built in 2015 would provide:

- 495 jobs during the construction phase of the project
- \$28,050,000 spent on equipment and materials, including steel, concrete, gravel, and conductors
- Other local spending, coming out to \$11,470,585—including right-of-way payments

GET INVOLVED!

DOING IT THE RIGHT WAY REQUIRES YOUR HELP. TO LEARN MORE OR GET INVOLVED, VISIT OUR CLEAN ENERGY TRANSMISSION DATABASE AT CFRA.ORG/CLEAN-ENERGY.



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