

Briefing Notes: Rose Hill Neighborhood Association

Meeting host: Rose Hill Neighborhood Association

Location: North Rose Hill Fire Station #26, Kirkland, WA

Date: Mon., March 17, 2014

Time: 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Purpose and overview: The North Rose Hill Neighborhood Association invited Puget Sound Energy (PSE) to provide a briefing on the Energize Eastside project at the association's monthly meeting held on March 17, 2014.

At the briefing, the project team:

- Made in-person introductions to North Rose Hill Neighborhood Association members and community members attending the meeting
- Informed community members about the project need, details and schedule
- Described PSE's work to date, explained how and encouraged community members to get involved in the public routing discussion
- Served as a resource for project information and answered questions

A small portion of Segment B touches the southeast-most corner of North Rose Hill.

Format: Prior to the presentation, project team staff members were available to answer questions and make in-person introductions to community members. Informational materials including large maps were provided. Andy Wappler, Vice President Corporate Affairs, PSE, provided a presentation on Energize Eastside, including an overview of the project, discussing why the project is needed and how North Rose Hill Neighborhood Association members can get involved with the public routing discussion.

Themes heard or provided via comment cards

Note: This section reflects a synthesis of individual questions, comments and themes that came up at the meeting. The synthesis provided is not intended for use as a verbatim transcription. Attendees were encouraged to provide comments on hard-copy comment cards or through the project website following the meeting.

- Interest in project timeline for construction with respect to projected date when demand will exceed existing electric capacity
- Interest in potential effects from electromagnetic fields (EMF) to health and anything in the nearby vicinity of the 230 kilovolt (kV) lines
- Interest in pole configurations, and if 230 kV wires can be placed on 115 kV poles
- Interest in looking at aerial maps to compare segments B and C with attention to opportunities and constraints
- Interest in segment B's route through residential areas rather than commercial areas on arterial streets

- Interest in whether the property at the existing Sammamish substation is large enough to meet capacity needs with the addition of a 230 kV line
- Interest in the City of Kirkland's plan to remodel 85th Street and how whether it would be possible to route a segment along 85th Street
- Interest in potential installation methods for instances where two separate transmission lines cross each other, such as Energize Eastside and existing Seattle City Light lines
- Concern for transmission line and poles' stability during wind storms and earthquakes
- Concern that property values were taken into consideration during the route identification process
- Interest in how to get involved and provide input

PSE appreciates community input and expression of interests and concerns. Input from the community will help PSE with the route selection process as the project moves forward.