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Questions and responses from the April 10, 2025 virtual open house presentation.

Responses provided during the April 10, 2025 virtual open house presentation are not verbatim and have been slightly modified for clarity and conciseness.

1. **Will there be power outages while the line is being built?**
   For safety reasons, Idaho Power may coordinate some transmission powerline outages during the construction of Segment E-8. When we build over existing transmission infrastructure, powerlines that cross underneath are temporarily taken out of service to protect workers, the public and the infrastructure while the new line is being built. Those transmission outages typically do not interrupt service to customers and customers' power will remain on throughout the project. If plans change and there must be a planned outage during construction, customers who could be affected would be notified before the planned outage occurs and efforts would be made to minimize the duration of the outage.

2. **Can I operate pivot irrigation under the transmission line?**
   Yes. We're designing Segment E-8 to accommodate farming operations, including pivot irrigation systems. The design will have sufficient clearance between the pivot towers and arms and the overhead wires of the powerline to allow for safe pivot irrigation use, similar to what you see with existing transmission lines out there today.

3. **What is a signal regeneration station and what is its purpose?**
   Typical with most transmission lines, the very top of the structure contains a shield/static wire for safety purposes, and an optical ground wire to transmit digital information between substations and to system operators that monitor and oversee the safe operations of the power grid. The transport of digital data over long distances can cause the signal to weaken. A regeneration station boosts the fiber optic signal to restore its frequency. It's not uncommon to build one or two regeneration stations along a transmission project covering long distances. For Segment E-8, one station will be placed halfway through the project.

4. **When will landowners know where structures are being placed?**
   At present [April 10, 2025], we have not identified structure locations. As we progress with engineering line design to a level of 60 percent, that's when we'll feel comfortable knowing where structures will be located. We anticipate being at 60 percent at the end of this year [2025]. At 60 percent line design, structure locations are not final and are subject to adjustments up until construction begins.

5. **What do the substation expansions at Hemingway and Midpoint consist of?**
   The Hemingway and Midpoint substations will expand on land owned by Idaho Power. Both expansions will take place within the existing substation perimeters and include the

installation of new equipment and components, such as breakers, various line devices and several new structures to support the Segment E-8 connection entering and exiting both substations. The construction schedule for these expansions will run in parallel with line construction.

6. **When will individual landowners directly affected by the transmission line be contacted regarding easements?**
   We'll start reaching out to landowners once we have the line design finished, and structure locations identified. We anticipate design completion in the first quarter of 2026. A land agent will reach out to each affected landowner individually, meet with them on the property, review how the line affects the property, and discuss and evaluate site-specific concerns. The land agent will negotiate with property owners individually to determine a fair market value for the easement.

7. **Is the centerline shown on the project website map the final route? Can you move it to the edge of my property instead of it crossing through the middle?**
   At present [April 10, 2025], the centerline presented on the project website and printed on open house materials is an indicative centerline representing the preferred alignment. We are holding these open house meetings to encourage landowners to talk to us about the proposed centerline and understand and mitigate their concerns. At this early stage in the project, we have the ability to make adjustments to the alignment across private lands.

8. **When will line construction start and end?**
   The new line will be built in two consecutive phases from west to east over three years. Phase 1 is approximately 40 miles between the Hemingway Substation and the planned Mayfield Substation, proposed as part of a separate project by Idaho Power. Phase 2 is the remaining 88 miles between the Mayfield and Midpoint substations. Phase 1 construction is currently planned for 2028 with an in-service date later that fall. Phase 2 construction will begin in early fall of 2028 with a planned completion in the late summer of 2030.

9. **There has been talk of a Mayfield substation. Where is the proposed Mayfield substation located? And what is the construction timeline for it? Is it associated with this project?**
   The proposed Mayfield substation is a separate Idaho Power project, independent of Segment E-8. However, Segment E-8 will tie into the Mayfield substation once complete. The station is located on existing Idaho Power-owned property approximately 40 miles east of the Hemingway substation and roughly 88 miles west of the Midpoint substation. The construction timeline for the Mayfield substation aligns with Phase 1 construction for Segment E-8.