

BURLINGTON ENERGY SUPPLY INITIATIVE

Strengthening the Electric Grid - Information Sheet

WHAT: Project Overview

More than 90% of Burlington's supply of electric power is delivered through a substation located on Middlesex Turnpike. The existing substation has reached its design and expansion capacity and Eversource forecasts demand for power will continue to rise over the coming years due to development in Burlington and the movement to electrification.

Eversource made upgrades to the existing substation, which include the installation of a mobile transformer. These upgrades will address short-term demands, but additional electrical infrastructure including a new (second) substation and additional transmission line structures in existing right-of-way will be required elsewhere in Burlington to ensure safe and reliable power for the Town in the long-term.

WHY: Benefits & Solutions

Eversource is developing a holistic plan to upgrade the Town's electrical infrastructure. The Burlington Energy Supply Initiative Project will upgrade and enhance the reliability and resiliency of Burlington's electrical network, so it continues to serve the needs of customers as demand continues to increase. Electric grid upgrades, like improvements to water or sewer systems, and building new public facilities are critical to everyone who lives, works, and shops in Burlington.

The second substation will critically tie into a set of transmission lines that currently circumvent Burlington, adding a new source of power to the growing community. The proposed substation location will limit disruptive in-street excavation to route and build new electric duct banks in Town streets.

Next Steps

Eversource welcomes the opportunity to work with community stakeholders, residents, local officials, and businesses to gather feedback on the proposed Project to bring a second substation and additional electric infrastructure to the area.

Anticipated Project Schedule

Community Outreach: 2023-2026
Local and State Permitting: 2023 – 2025
Construction: 2026-2028

Thank you for your partnership on improving the reliability of the community's electric service.

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