



## 84th Street Overhead to Underground Project

### Frequently Asked Questions

#### **What is the purpose of the 84th Street construction project?**

The 84th Street project will eliminate overhead power lines along a major arterial roadway for the city of Lincoln, which sees high traffic volumes. Burying existing overhead distribution meets the Lincoln-Lancaster County Comprehensive Plan statement, "Within the City of Lincoln, wherever feasible and affordable, implement a phased program to relocate overhead utility lines underground." This project is a continuation of the Overhead to Underground program initiated by the LES Administrative board in 2005.

#### **What is the benefit to Lincoln of moving power lines underground?**

Installing underground electrical facilities can enhance system reliability by reducing exposure to many common outage-causes such as storms, tree debris and animal interference. Neighborhoods also benefit by improving aesthetics.

#### **Is this a city project?**

This project is initiated and budgeted for by LES.

#### **How will my property be affected?**

Properties in the project area will see construction crews boring, installing new cables and removing the old overhead lines.

#### **How will traffic be affected?**

LES will work closely with the city to facilitate lane closures along 84<sup>th</sup> street when construction requires it.

#### **When will construction begin?**

Construction will begin in the fall of 2020.

#### **When will construction end?**

Construction is anticipated to be complete by December 2021.

#### **Will LES perform the work or will another construction crew be hired?**

LES will select a construction company using their normal project bidding process. LES inspectors will be onsite throughout construction.



**Will I be notified when construction is approaching my property?**

Yes. Be on the lookout for construction postcards to arrive 2-4 weeks prior to construction beginning on your property. If an easement is needed, our Land Management professionals will reach out to you to explain the project needs.

**Will I experience power outages during construction?**

We do not anticipate extended outages with this type of construction. Your power will be out for a short time when electricity is switched from the overhead lines to the new underground cables.

**Who can I contact if I have additional questions?**

Contact LES at 402-467-6861 with any additional questions.