

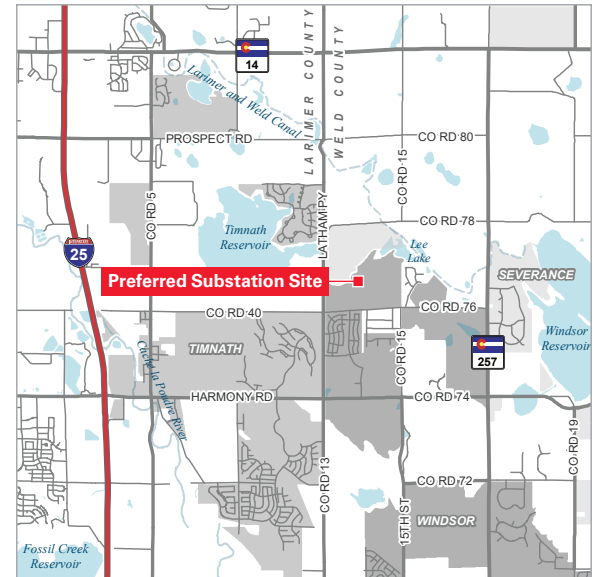
New Avery Substation to deliver reliable, safe electric power

Xcel Energy has plans to invest in the system serving this fast-growing area of Northern Colorado, including Windsor and the surrounding communities. The Avery Substation will help reduce the risk of outages while meeting the energy needs of existing and new homes and businesses for years to come.

Xcel Energy has worked with the community on this project since 2012. We invited over 1,700 landowners and stakeholders to our most recent public open house on July 9. Attendees were asked for feedback on two potential sites for the proposed substation and transmission line extension in Windsor, both on property owned by the City of Thornton. Since the public open house, we have identified one as the preferred location.

The preferred site, referenced as the West Site at the public open house (see map), will be proposed for consideration by the Town of Windsor in the upcoming Conditional Use Grant permit application. We chose the West Site location because it offers a wide range of benefits and is the preferred site based on recent public feedback (see back for additional siting information).

We thank you for your interest in the Avery Substation Project and welcome your continued feedback as we continue to move through the permitting process.



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The new Avery Substation will help improve grid reliability in Windsor and the surrounding communities, as our existing Cobb Lake and Windsor Substations approach capacity.

Preferred West Site information

Distance – The preferred site is located more than 1,500 feet away from adjacent subdivisions to reduce the visual scale of the facility.

Wetlands and wildlife – The preferred site maximizes distance from wetlands near Lee Lake and near Weld County Road 76 that may support wildlife.

Screening – The preferred site uses existing vegetation, topography, and distance to reduce the visual impact of the facility and will also incorporate additional landscape screening in the site design.

Transmission line – The preferred site includes a straighter path for the transmission line and minimizes the number of large support structures, while increasing the distance of the transmission line from the majority of viewers.

Community preferred – The preferred site is consistent with the consensus of those attending and commenting on the project during the July 2019 public open house for the reasons outlined above.

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