



Dominion Power Line Project Virtual Community Meeting 8/24

I know that nobody is going to be very excited about another power line project, but I want to share with you a new (much smaller!) Dominion Energy project that will be the subject of a community meeting next week.

The [H&M data center](#) is under construction on the north side of Route 50 adjacent to Dulles Airport property and will need to be connected with power. From a land use standpoint, the data center is in a good location - away from houses and other commercial development. During the Board of Supervisors discussion of that project, I was mostly focused on the power lines, because I knew the site would need to be connected and didn't want to be in a situation where something was forced upon us because of this need. I delayed the Board's consideration of the application for several months until I obtained commitments from all parties to avoid as much visual impact as possible along Route 50 frontage.

Thus far, the parties have kept those commitments and have been working with property owners to get the property connected in one of two ways in what Dominion is calling the Aviator 230 kV Electric Transmission Line project. The first would be through an underground line which is possible here

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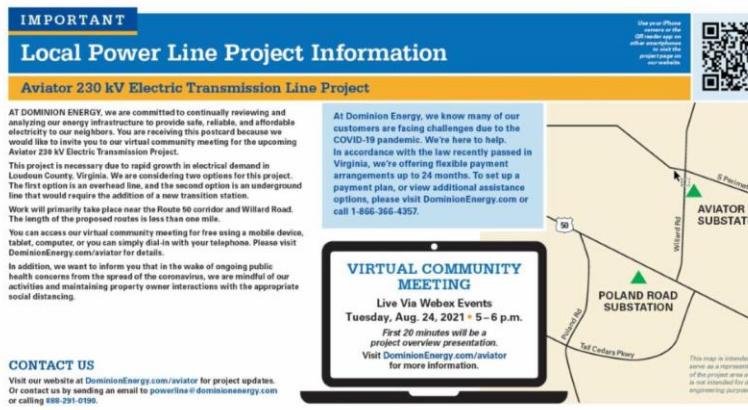
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given the short distance it would need to travel. The catch is that it would require an above ground transfer station, which would be visible from Route 50. The other option is to keep the lines above ground, but set them back much further from Route 50. However, there may be some property owner concerns with that route.

To discuss these options and share more information about the project, Dominion Energy will be hosting a virtual community meeting on Tuesday, August 24, 2021 from 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. You can access the virtual community meeting for free via WebEx Events using a mobile device, tablet, computer, or you can dial in via telephone. Please visit www.DominionEnergy.com/aviator for more details on how to join the meeting and information on the project. The first 20 minutes of the meeting will be a project overview presentation.

You can visit the same site for project updates, or contact Dominion directly by sending an email to powerline@dominionenergy.com or calling 888-291-0190.



COVID-19 Vaccine Booster Information

Virginia is [now offering a third dose of COVID-19 vaccine](#) to people who received two doses of either Pfizer or Moderna and are [moderately and severely](#)

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[immunocompromised](#). This follows the recommendation of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announced August 13 and includes people who have:

- Been receiving active cancer treatment for tumors or cancers of the blood;
- Received an organ transplant and are taking medicine to suppress the immune system;
- Received a stem cell transplant within the last two years or are taking medicine to suppress the immune system;
- Moderate or severe primary immunodeficiency (such as DiGeorge syndrome, Wiskott-Aldrich syndrome, etc.);
- Advanced or untreated HIV infection; and/or
- Active treatment with high-dose corticosteroids or other drugs that may suppress your immune response.

The CDC estimates that the new recommendation for a third dose of vaccine affects about 3% of the U.S. population, which amounts to about 12,000 Loudoun residents. As of today, more than 244,000 Loudoun County residents are fully vaccinated, representing 59% of Loudoun's total population and nearly 73% of Loudoun's adult population. Many of those who have already received a COVID-19 vaccine may be wondering how the CDC's recommendation affects them.

The [U.S. Food and Drug Administration \(FDA\) authorized](#) on August 12 the use of an additional dose of COVID-19 vaccine in certain immunocompromised individuals. The FDA authorization includes the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines only. According to the CDC, there is not enough data at this time to determine whether immunocompromised people who received Johnson & Johnson's Janssen COVID-19 vaccine also have

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an improved antibody response following an additional dose of the same vaccine. Individuals who received the Johnson and Johnson vaccine should wait for additional guidance from the CDC and Virginia Department of Health (VDH) regarding the possibility of additional doses of COVID-19 vaccine in the future.

The Loudoun County Health Department is closely following the ongoing research and recommendations regarding the COVID-19 vaccine. Here's what you should know now about additional doses of COVID-19 vaccines:

- Immunocompromised individuals should wait at least 28 days since their second dose before receiving a third dose; VDH recommends speaking with your health care provider about your medical condition, and whether getting an additional dose is appropriate for you.
- Proof of medical condition is not required to receive a third dose; however, individuals may need to state that they have a moderate or severe immunocompromising condition.
- CDC recommends that immunocompromised individuals receive the same type of vaccine (either Moderna or Pfizer) as they received in their primary series; however, the alternate type may be provided if the primary series product is not available.
- FDA, CDC and the National Institutes of Health are engaged in a rigorous science-based process to consider whether or when a booster might be necessary for the general population.
- A booster dose for other groups may be necessary in the future for a couple of reasons: for someone with a normal immune system, the initially adequate protection after being fully vaccinated

against COVID-19 could be lost later on if immunity decreases over time, or if new variants of the virus are different enough that the vaccine's protection becomes limited. If either of these events occurs, a booster dose of COVID-19 vaccine could be helpful as a way to regain the protection against COVID-19 that was lost.

- People who are fully vaccinated are protected from severe disease and death, including from the variants currently circulating in the country, such as Delta.
- People who are not vaccinated remain at risk; virtually all current COVID-19 hospitalizations and deaths are among those who are unvaccinated.

The Health Department strongly urges anyone 12 and older who has not yet been vaccinated to get a COVID-19 vaccine as soon as possible. Visit loudoun.gov/covid19vaccine to find a vaccine provider near you.

In addition to vaccination, to help curb the increase in COVID-19 cases that Loudoun County has been experiencing, the Health Department recommends everyone wear a mask in indoor public settings and practice prevention measures that include: staying 6 feet away from people who do not live in your household; covering your coughs and sneezes; washing your hands frequently; staying home when sick; avoiding contact with sick people; knowing the signs and symptoms of COVID-19; and getting tested if you're symptomatic or if potentially exposed to COVID-19, regardless of your vaccination status.

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