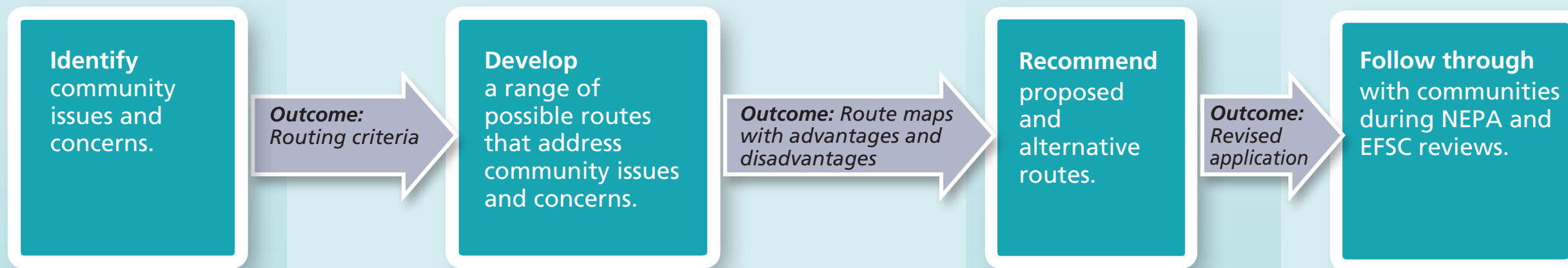


The Community Advisory Process

Idaho Power is committed to engaging community members from northeast Oregon to southwest Idaho to help locate the Boardman to Hemingway transmission line.



Project Advisory Teams

Project advisory teams will meet in three geographic areas — north, central and south — of the Boardman to Hemingway project. The groups will thoroughly discuss issues and work with technical experts to recommend proposed and alternative routes.

- Discuss purpose and need for the Boardman to Hemingway transmission line.
- Identify community issues and concerns.
- Discuss agency roles and regulations.
- Discuss routing criteria.

- Confirm criteria for selecting routes, using input from the public.
- Review mapping process and available data.
- Mapping session
- Review range of alternatives from mapping sessions and input from the public.
- Identify areas of agreement and disagreement.
- Propose routes to eliminate.
- Additional mapping sessions

- Review public input.
- Identify areas of agreement and disagreement.
- Recommend proposed and alternative routes.
- Confirm next steps.

Idaho Power will resubmit its application to the Bureau of Land Management and U.S. Forest Service, which will proceed with a review under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The Oregon Department of Energy/Energy Facility Siting Council (EFSC) also will proceed with a thorough review.

Public Meetings

Outcomes from the project advisory team meetings will be presented to the public for review and comment. Public meetings will be held throughout each geographic area. The project advisory teams will review and incorporate public input.

Review and provide input on routing criteria.

Review and provide input on the PAT mapping sessions and the range of possible routes.

Review and provide input on teams' recommended proposed and alternative routes. Begin BLM process.

Coordinating Team Meetings

Midway through the process, representatives from the project advisory teams will serve on a coordinating team. The coordinating team will bring together the work of each project advisory team and ensure that proposed and alternative routes transition smoothly between the three geographic areas.

Review mapping results from each team. Recommend changes to improve transitions.

The meeting schedule for the Community Advisory Process may be adjusted as needed, based on input from project advisory teams and the public.