

**Transmission Cost Recovery Rider
Descriptions of Projects Proposed to be
Eligible Under SDCL 49-34A-25.1**

The following projects were approved for recovery by the Commission in the Company's Transmission Cost Recovery Rider filing in Docket No. EL12-035 and re-affirmed for cost recovery most recently in Docket No. EL16-031:

- CapX2020 Brookings – Twins Cities 345 kV transmission line
- CapX2020 Fargo – Twin Cities 345 kV transmission line
- CapX2020 La Crosse-Local 345 kV transmission line
- CapX2020 La Crosse-MISO
- CapX2020 La Crosse-WI
- Glencoe – Waconia
- Sioux Falls Northern

The following projects were approved for recovery by the Commission in the Company's Transmission Cost Recovery Rider filing in Docket No. EL13-006 and re-affirmed for cost recovery most recently in Docket No. EL16-031:

- Bluff Creek – Westgate transmission line
- Chaska Area transmission line
- Minn Valley transmission line
- Big Stone – Brookings 345 kV Line
- Lake Marion – Burnsville
- Maple Lake – Annandale
- Wilmarth – Carver County

The following project was approved for recovery by the Commission in the Company's Transmission Cost Recovery Rider filing in Docket No. EL15-030 and re-affirmed for cost recovery most recently in Docket No. EL16-031:

- Minot Load Serving Transmission Line

The Company is not seeking an eligibility determination for any new projects at this time.

Project Updates

There have not been any substantive changes to any project's scope since our last TCR filing, so we have not included project maps with this filing. However, we note that one project has an updated projected in-service date. We explain this project update below.

Wilmarth – Carver County

In-Service Date Change from May 2019 to March 2022

As discussed in our last TCR Petition (Docket No. EL16-031), part of the annual Transmission budget planning process, planned projects like Wilmarth – Carver County are weighed against emergent work and occasionally reprioritized. During the reprioritization process we carefully evaluate all of the system risks associated with each scenario and reevaluate all mitigation plans that may mean a suboptimal operation of the transmission system but ensure our compliance with all mandated system reliability standards. Emergent work has taken priority over the Wilmarth – Carver County project, so this project has been further delayed. The project will be completely suspended for several years as a result of this delay, as shown in the CWIP Expenditures report in Attachment 3.