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## Protect Bullhead Lake and nearby homes

**Date:** October 13, 2026 **SD PUC docket:** EL26-028

**To:** South Dakota Public Utilities Commission  
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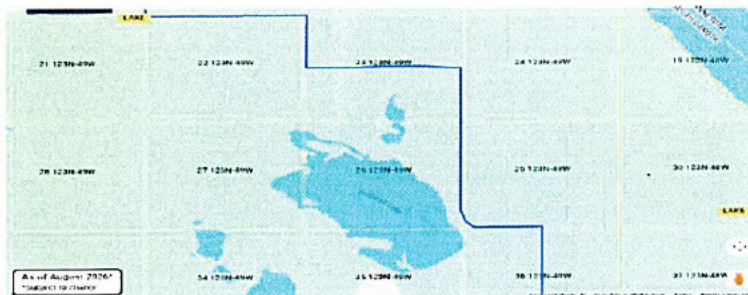
**Request:** Please place this comment in the BSSHB 345 kV public record. We want Bullhead Lake, Cameron wildlife area and nearby homes and farms protected.

**Our preference:** Bury the line and look at other routes that avoid family farms, homes, watersheds, wetlands and wildlife areas, and stay farther from rural and town communities. Study the costs and land disturbance. If burial is ruled out, explain why and compare other routes.

### Concerns:

- **Water:** Keep construction, access roads and runoff away from Bullhead Lake and nearby wetlands.
- **Wildlife:** Protect Cameron Waterfowl Production Area and the places birds feed, nest and fly.
- **Homes and farms:** Avoid homes, farmyards and shelterbelts. Study a 2,000-foot home setback and explain any exceptions.
- **Cultural sites:** Check for burial and cultural sites before digging, and consult the appropriate Tribes. Keep sensitive locations private.

**Action:** Compare burial and routes farther from the lake and wildlife area. Require field checks and public findings before approving a route.



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**Map note:** August 2026 preliminary context from the corrected local packets. Check the current filed route. Map distances and boundaries are not surveyed findings.

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