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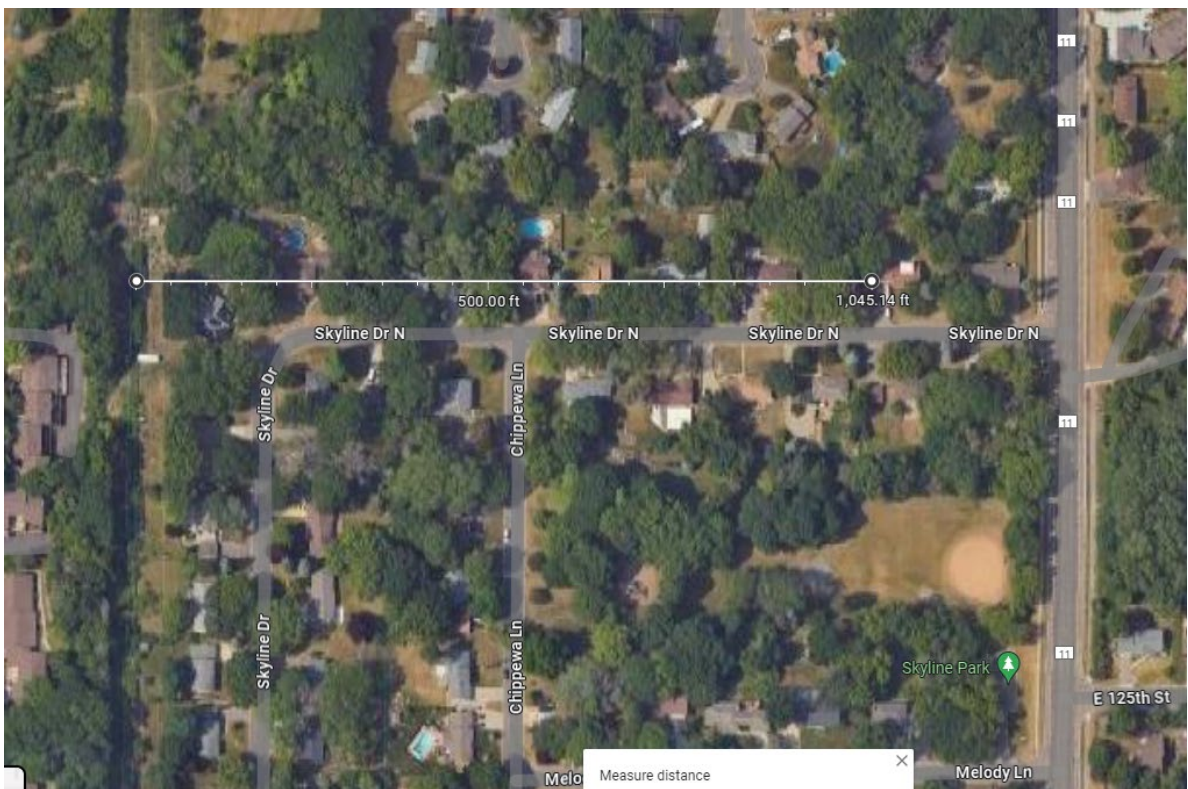
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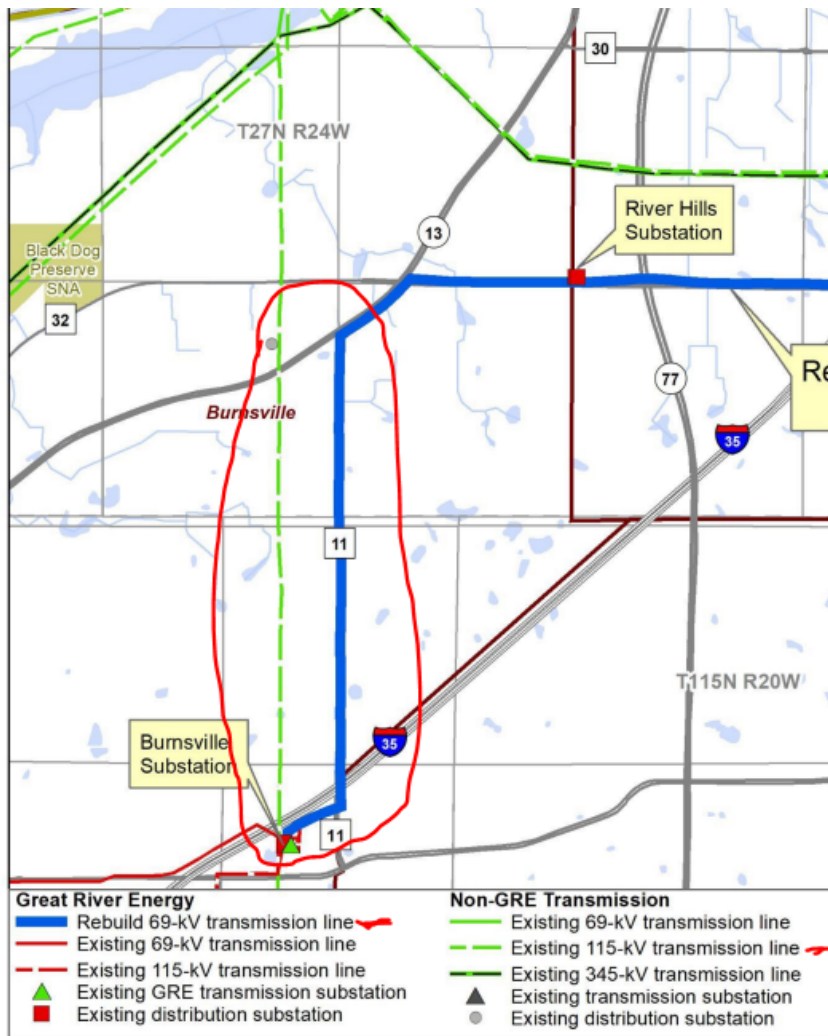
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Richard and Mark,

I would like to comment on the Great River Energy Rebuild project to upgrade the power lines along CR 11 in Burnsville. <https://apps.commerce.state.mn.us/eera/web/project-file/12711>. I live at 1904 Skyline Dr N which is about 260' from the powerline (see clip below). I realize this comment is being made after the comment period but would like it on record. We are not interested in the upgrade to a 115-kV high voltage transmission line that close to our residence for the following reasons:

1. EMF / Health concerns. I realize we are exposed to EMFs daily but you cannot turn off the EMFs from a powerline that is constantly running. We already live a little over 1000' from a 115kv line which we likely already receive EMF exposure from. It would be irresponsible to place one on both sides of our neighborhood. We cannot increase our distance to the proposed sources and we would not be able to limit our time spent around the source as the EPA would recommend. We have people living in the house at all hours of the day including a child with special needs. Long term effects of living near powerlines are unknown. My wife is a licensed massage therapist with a home business works with some highly sensitive people which could negatively impact her clients treatments.
2. Property Value and difficulty selling property – there is evidence that property values go down between 10% and 30% when near a transmission line. We personally did not buy houses in the past because of the proximity to high voltage transmission lines and if this is constructed, as I mentioned before, we will have one that remains 1,000 feet away and another 260' away.





I am not sure what other options there are but please do not rebuild this as a 115 kV high voltage transmission line.

Thank you and please consider this comment although it is admittedly late. I am sorry for that.

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