

In the Matter of the Applications of Xcel Energy for a Certificate of Need and Route Permit for the Minnesota Energy Connection Project in Sherburne, Stearns, Kandiyohi, Wright, Meeker, Chippewa, Yellow Medicine, Renville, Redwood and Lyon Counties in Minnesota. PUC Docket No. 22-131; 22-132

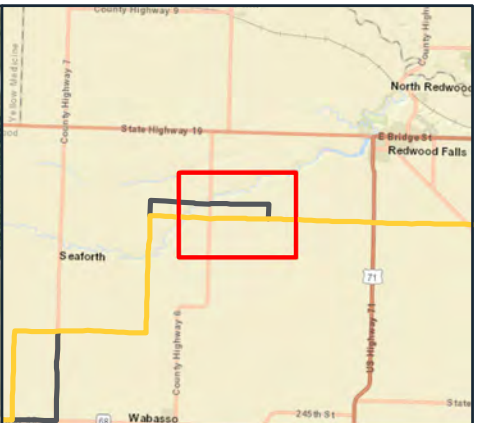
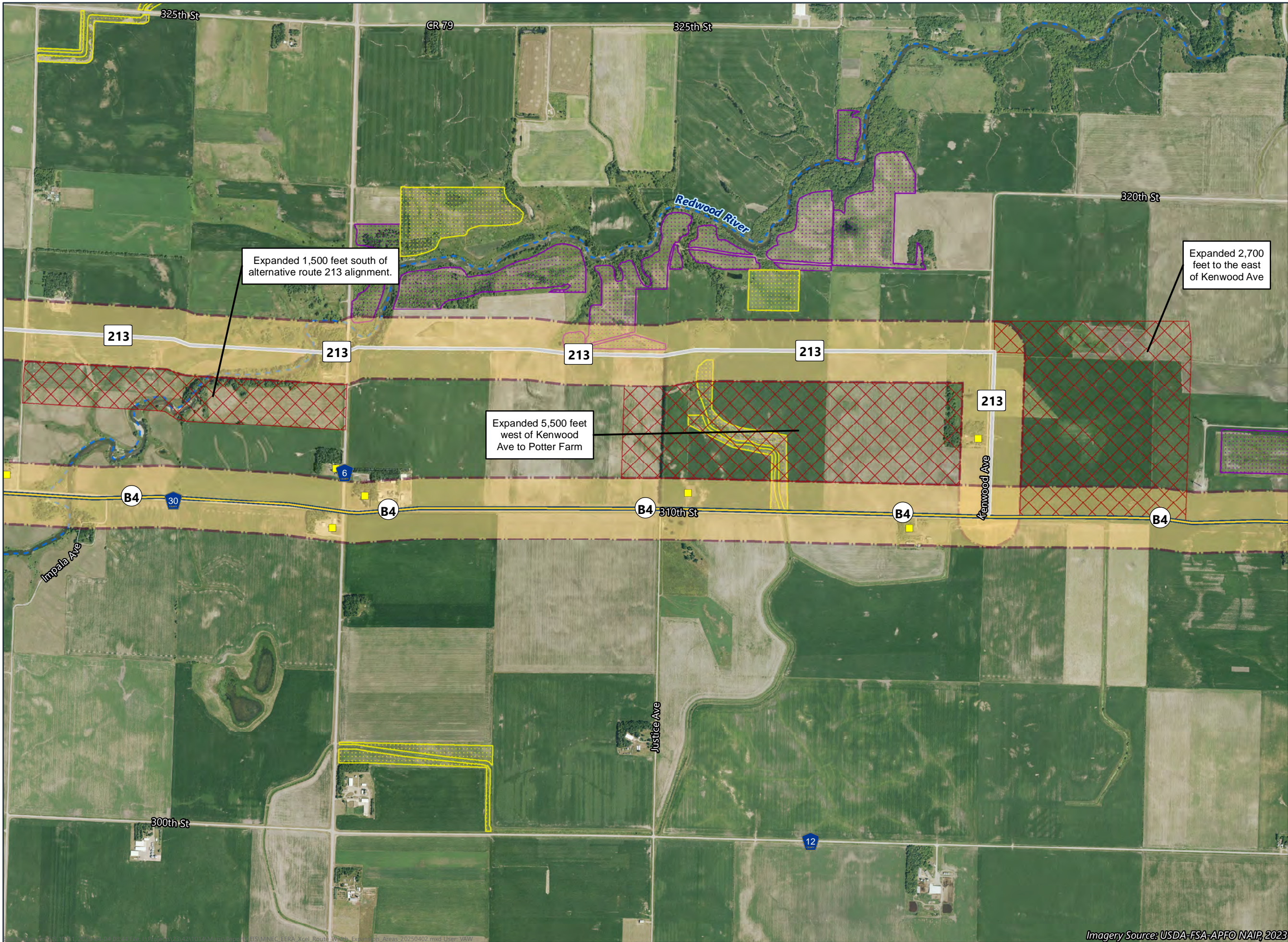
Tuma Decision Alternative 10. B. (Route 213 Expansion)

For the purpose of identifying an alternative alignment within the expanded route width below that reduces environmental and human impacts, the Permittee shall consult with the affected Townships, BWSR (particularly those responsible for managing conservation easements in this area), DNR and the affected landowners. The Permittee shall file with the Commission the results of the consultations and any modifications to the transmission line alignment that have been mutually agreed to within the expanded route width.

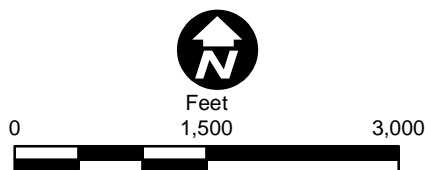
The route width is expanded as follows (see attached map):

- a. a distance of 2700 feet to the east of the Alternative 213 alignment to allow for a possible alignment along the field line for the purpose of mitigating impacts on the homestead at 31252 Kenwood Avenue;
- b. a distance of 5500 feet from the Alternative 213 alignment to the west to allow for a possible alignment along the various field lines between the Potter Farm and Kenwood Avenue; and
- c. a distance of 1500 feet south of the Alternative 213 alignment between Impala Avenue and Redwood County Road 6 to allow for a possible buffer for the Sheridan WMA.

If a landowner is willing to allow an alternative route within this expanded route width and if the Permittee acquires some or all of the landowner's property pursuant to Minn. Stat. section [216E.12/216I.21, subd. 4] the Commission finds that result would be reasonable and prudent and in the public interest for this particular section of the route.



- Route Segment (incorporates alternative[s])
- Refinement
- Route Width
- Route Width Expansions
- Residence Location
- PWI Watercourse
- Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP) Easement
- Reinvest in Minnesota (RIM) Easement



**KENWOOD AVE AREA
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