

**EXHIBIT 3**  
**Public Officials and Libraries Served Notice on the Application**  
**Beaver-Wellington 138 kV Transmission Line Project**  
**Case No. 20-0004-EL-BTX**

July 29, 2021

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Re: OPSB Case No. 20-0004-EL-BTX, Application to the Ohio Power Siting Board for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Beaver-Wellington 138 kV Transmission Line Project (“Project”)

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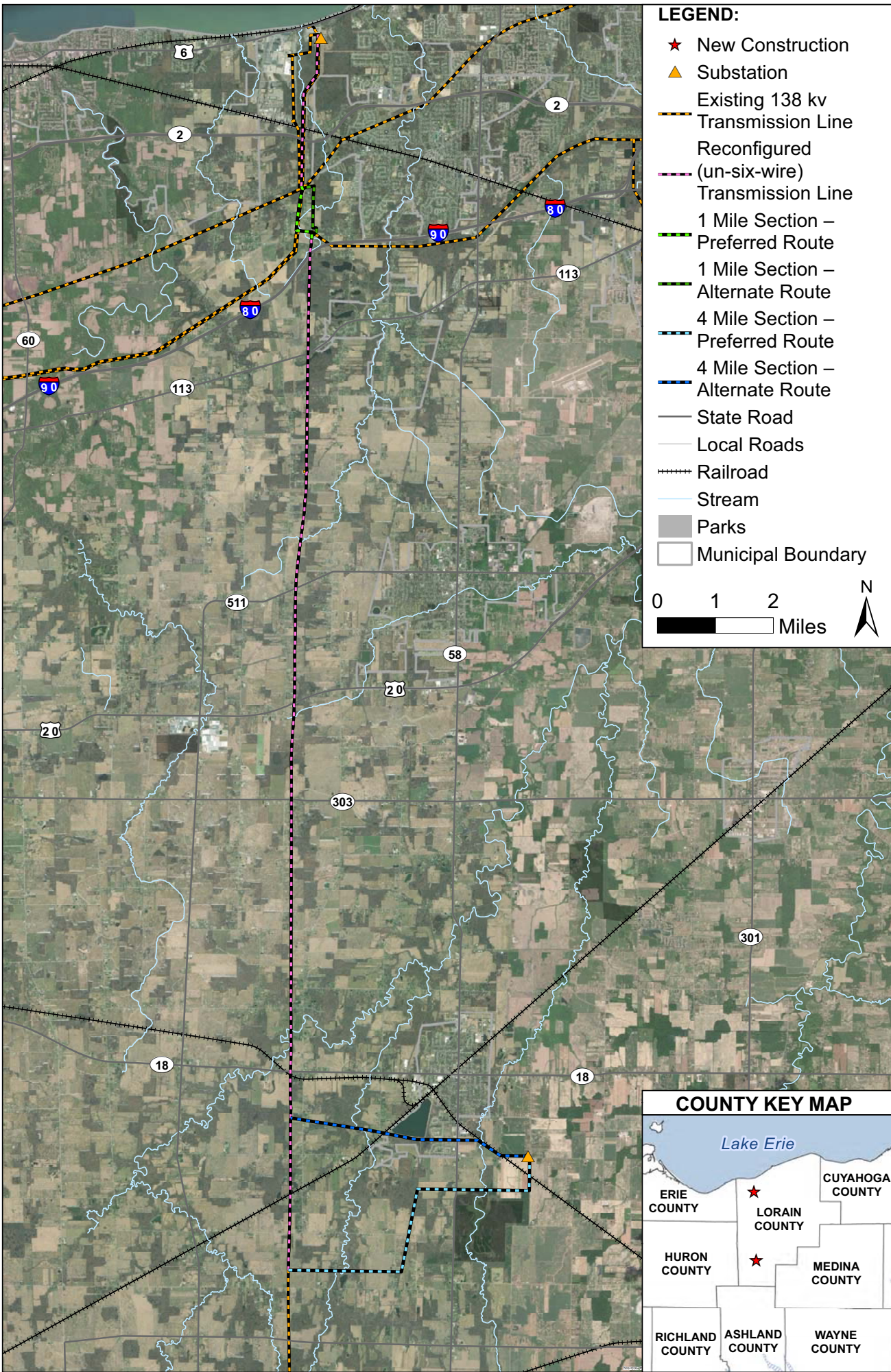
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Sincerely,



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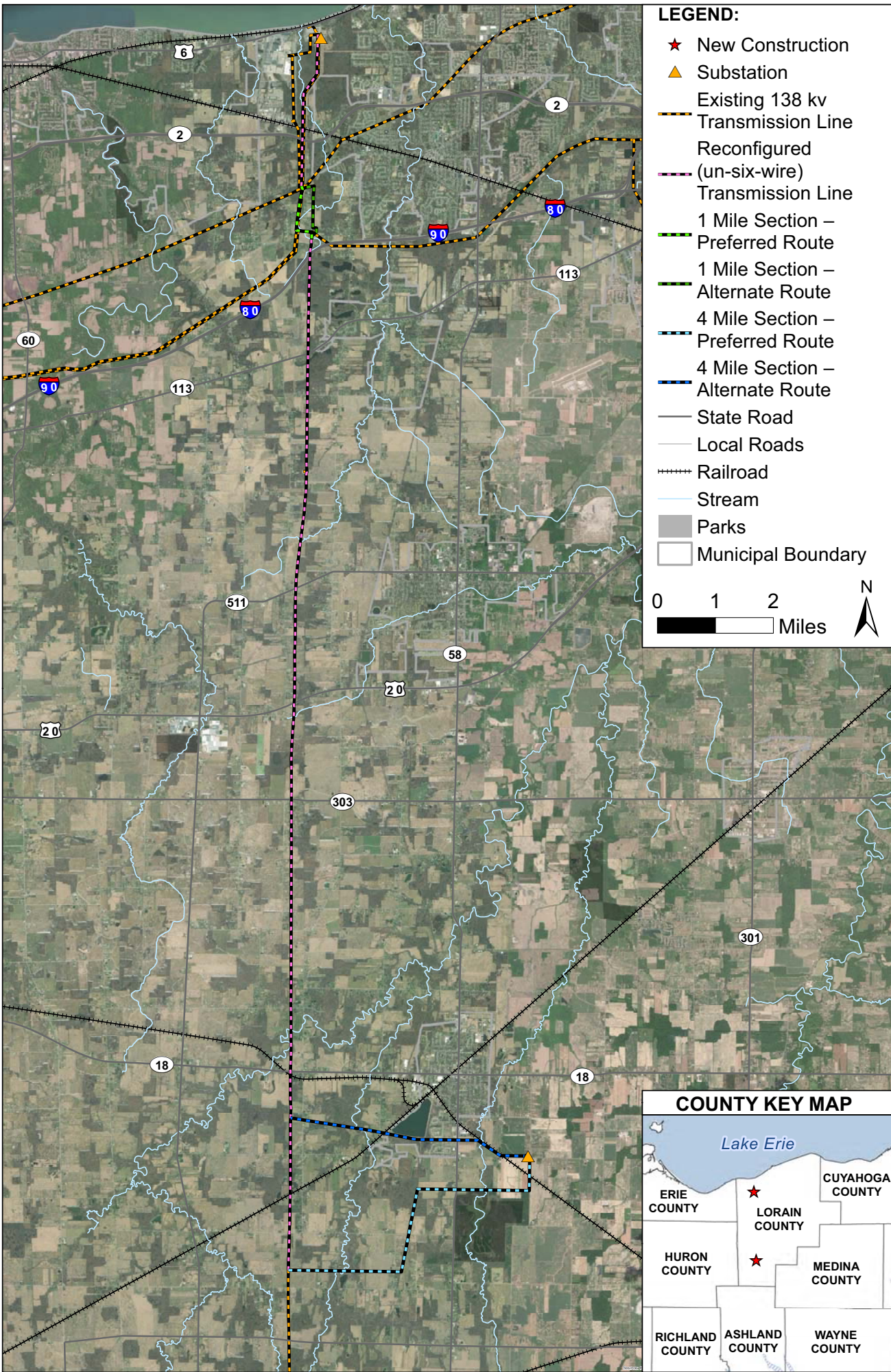
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Transmission Siting  
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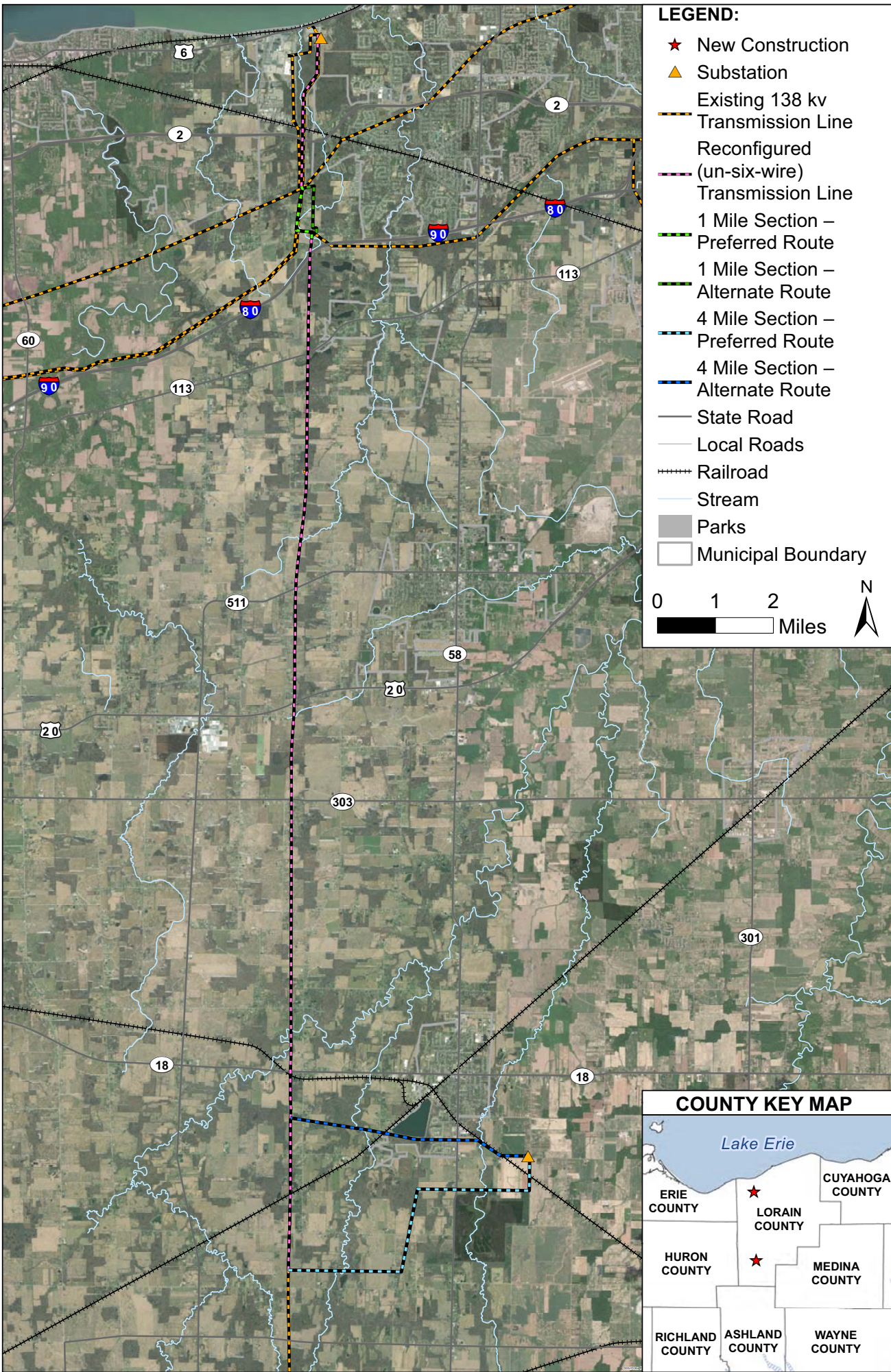
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Sincerely,



Nataliya Bryksenkova, Engineer  
Transmission Siting  
FirstEnergy Service Company

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July 29, 2021

Ms. Debby Krejsa, Branch Manager  
Keystone La Grange Library  
101 West Street  
Lagrange, OH 44050

Re: OPSB Case No. 20-0004-EL-BTX, Application to the Ohio Power Siting Board for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Beaver-Wellington 138 kV Transmission Line Project (“Project”)

Dear Ms. Krejsa,

American Transmission Systems, Incorporated (ATSI), a FirstEnergy company, is proposing to construct the Beaver-Wellington 138 kV Transmission Line Project (“Project”). This letter briefly describes the Project, the Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB) certification process and provides notice of the date, time and location of an upcoming public hearing on the Project. We respectfully request that you include a copy of this letter and the Application, with the balance of Project materials already provided for public review at your library.

The Project proposes to construct a new approximately 23-mile long electric 138 kV transmission line that will extend from the existing Beaver Substation located in the City of Lorain to the existing Wellington Substation, located in Wellington Township, Lorain County, Ohio.

The Project consists of the following primary components:

- Expanding the existing Wellington Substation to facilitate installation of new equipment.
- Constructing approximately 4-mile-long and 1-mile-long sections of the new 138 kV transmission line.
- Reconfiguring existing 138 kV transmission lines to create the new 138 kV transmission line.

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