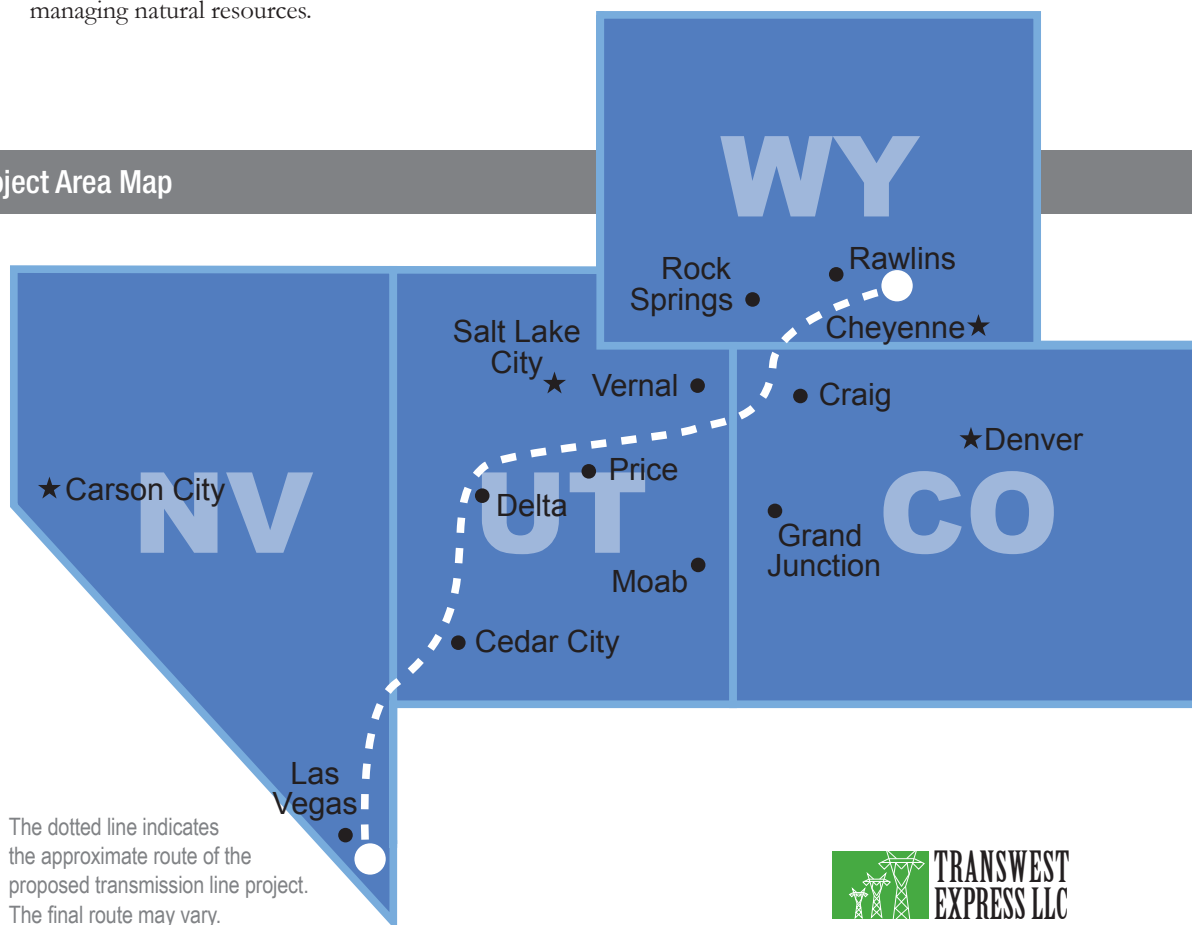


## About TransWest Express LLC

TransWest Express LLC is a wholly owned affiliate of The Anschutz Corporation, a privately held company based in Denver, Colorado. The Anschutz Corporation, through its affiliates, has been actively involved in the West for over 50 years in the fields of ranching, agriculture, and energy development. The Anschutz Corporation's activity and investments in the energy field reflect a strong commitment to responsibly developing and managing natural resources.

### Project Area Map



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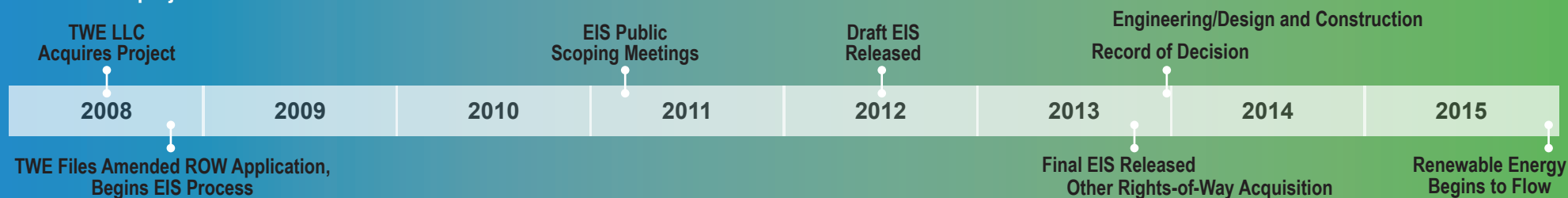


The TransWest Express Transmission Project is an extra-high-voltage direct current transmission system. The system will begin in south-central Wyoming near Rawlins, extend through northwestern Colorado and central Utah, turn southwest into southern Nevada, and end near Las Vegas. The TWE Project will deliver renewable energy produced in Wyoming to the Desert Southwest, ultimately helping to contribute to a cleaner, greener world and a stronger electrical grid.



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## When will the project be done?



## What benefits will the project bring?

The TWE Project will provide the transmission infrastructure necessary to reliably and cost-effectively deliver approximately 3,000 megawatts of clean and sustainable electric power generated in Wyoming to the Desert Southwest – Arizona, Nevada and southern California. Wyoming has a large concentration of high-quality, low-cost renewable resources in the form of wind energy. The TWE Project will transmit this electric power to the Desert Southwest region where the demand for renewable energy is the greatest.

### The TWE Project will:

- Broaden consumers' access to domestic, clean, renewable energy sources.
- Contribute to meeting national, regional and state environmental policies, including state-mandated renewable portfolio standards and greenhouse gas reduction targets.
- Meet increasing customer demand with improved electrical system reliability.
- Provide system flexibility and increased access to the grid for third-party transmission users.
- Expand regional economic development through creating hundreds of jobs and enlarging the property tax base.
- Maintain the standard of living associated with highly reliable electricity service.

## How will the planning proceed?

TransWest Express LLC conducted a corridor feasibility study to identify the proposed transmission line route and alternative routes, many of which are located within or adjacent to federally designated or proposed utility corridors, or parallel existing transmission lines or pipelines.

TransWest Express LLC has applied for rights-of-way over federal lands because the proposed route and the alternative routes for the transmission line cross hundreds of miles of federal land that is mainly administered by the Bureau of Land Management. The proposed project is a major federal action requiring the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement to meet the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act. The BLM and Western Area Power Administration will act as joint lead agencies responsible for preparing the EIS and will coordinate with other federal, state and local government agencies.

The EIS will analyze actions that may affect the quality of the environment. The BLM and Western will seek agency (federal, state, and local) and public input on potential issues to be addressed in the EIS. Based on this input, the BLM and Western will analyze the proposed route for the transmission line and reasonable alternatives to that route. After issuing a draft EIS for review and addressing comments on that draft, the agencies will issue a final EIS. Currently, a Record of Decision is expected in late 2013. Construction of the project will require approximately three years with a projected in-service date of 2015.

## What does the project look like?

The proposed route for the 600 kilovolt direct current transmission line is 725 miles in length, with a typical right-of-way width of 250 feet. Two substation/converter stations, approximately 200 acres in size, will be constructed at each terminating point. Transmission structure heights may vary from 100 feet to 180 feet depending upon structure type, terrain, span and line crossings.

### Structures under consideration

