

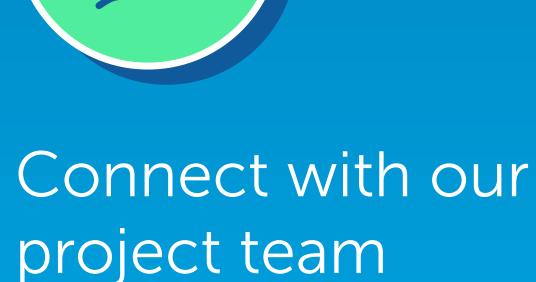


## We're glad you're here.

#### The purpose of today's meeting is to:



Learn about the Nemadji Trail Energy Center





Ask questions





# A unique collaboration

## PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

This is a jointly owned project among three energy

providers headquartered in the Upper Midwest, all providing safe, reliable and affordable power every day.



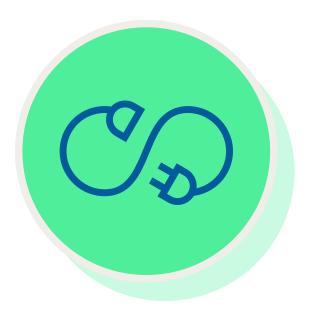




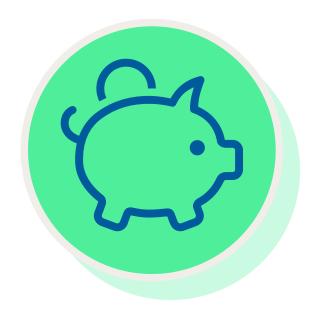
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### **OUR SHARED GOALS**







# Providing safe and reliable energy

Supporting renewable energy resources and reducing carbon

Maintaining affordability

# Why is natural gas needed?

This ability supports the clean energy transition.

## RELIABLE ELECTRICITY

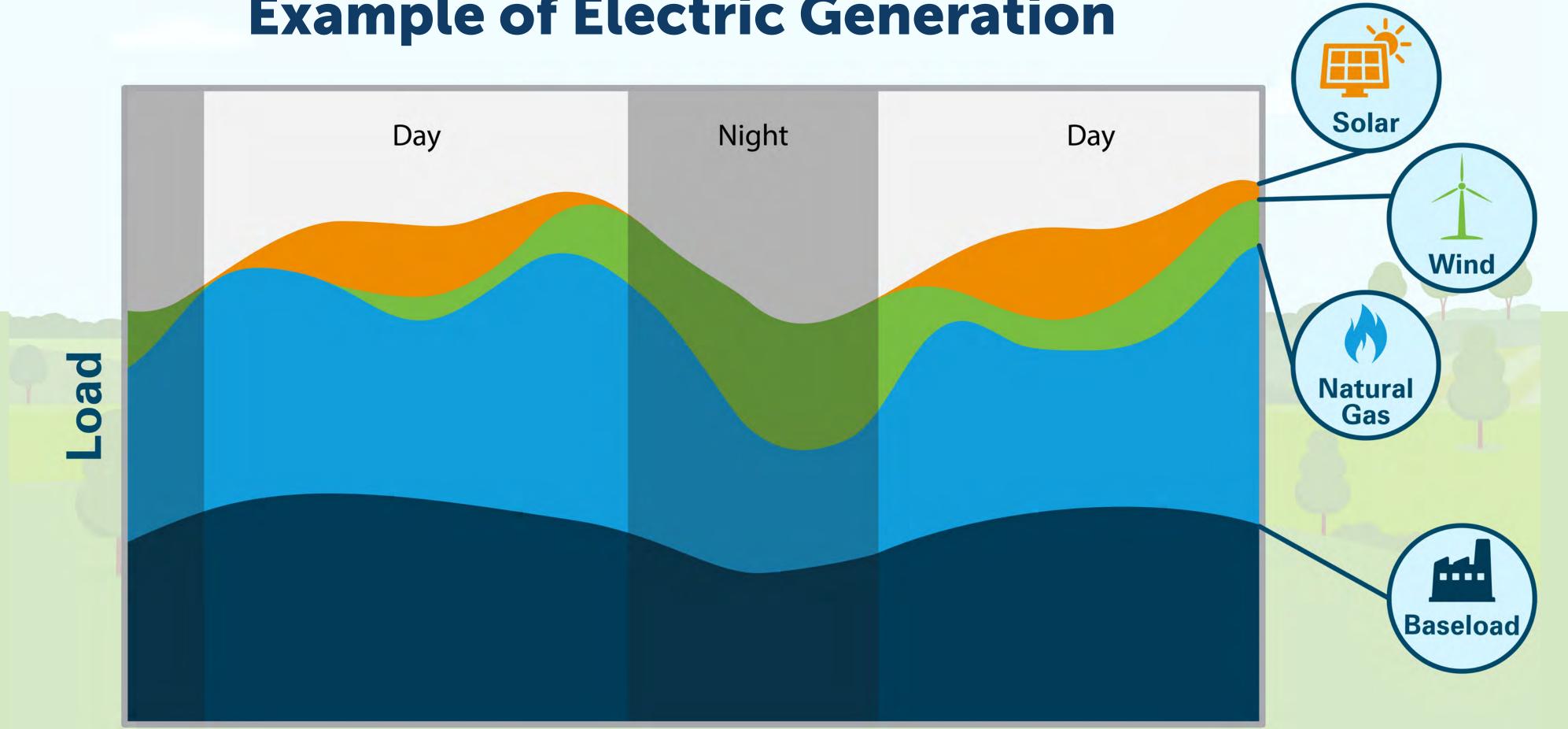
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with reliable electricity when renewable energy resources like wind and solar are not available.

## FLEXIBLE ELECTRICITY

Natural gas provides a quick start up when renewables are unavailable, and back down when renewables are available.

#### **Example of Electric Generation**



Typical energy load and generation sources over 24-hour cycles

# How will the facility work?

This state-of-the-art facility will safely generate electricity to maintain reliable service when renewable energy resources – like solar and wind – are not available.

#### **NATURAL GAS ENERGY**

A supply line carries natural gas fuel to the facility. Inside the facility, natural gas is used to rapidly spin a turbine and generate electricity.

#### **STEAM ENERGY**

The facility recovers heat from the first turbine and uses it to create steam that powers a second turbine, generating more electricity.

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#### **DELIVERING ELECTRICITY**

Energy from both turbines flow to a transformer and is delivered through the electric grid to power homes and businesses.

Safety is a top priority among the utilities. Nemadji Trail Energy Center will work closely with local, state, and federal regulators to maintain the highest safety and environmental compliance standards.

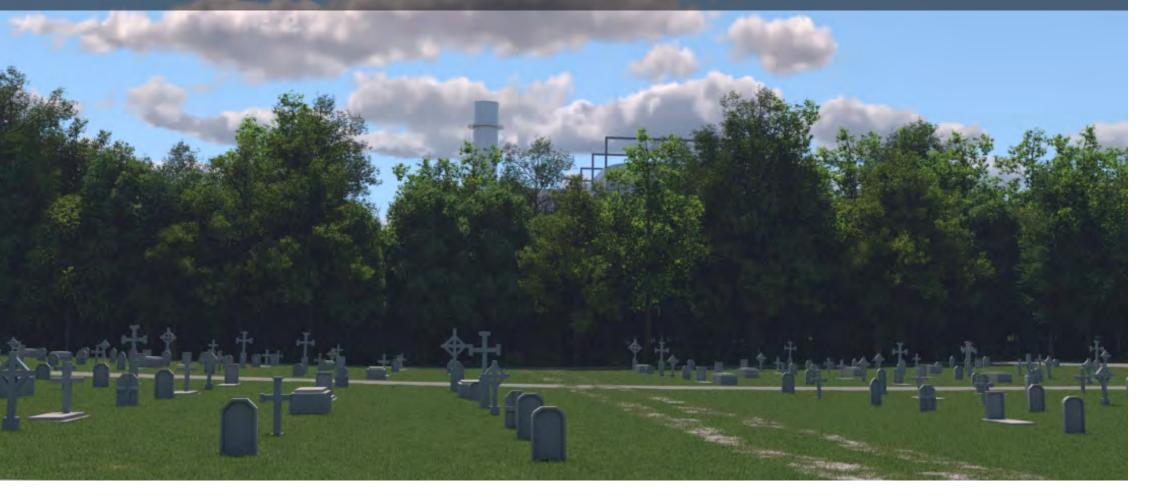
# Nemadji Trail Energy Center renderings

#### AERIAL VIEWPOINT FROM NORTHWEST OF FACILITY



#### VIEWPOINT FROM 31ST AVENUE



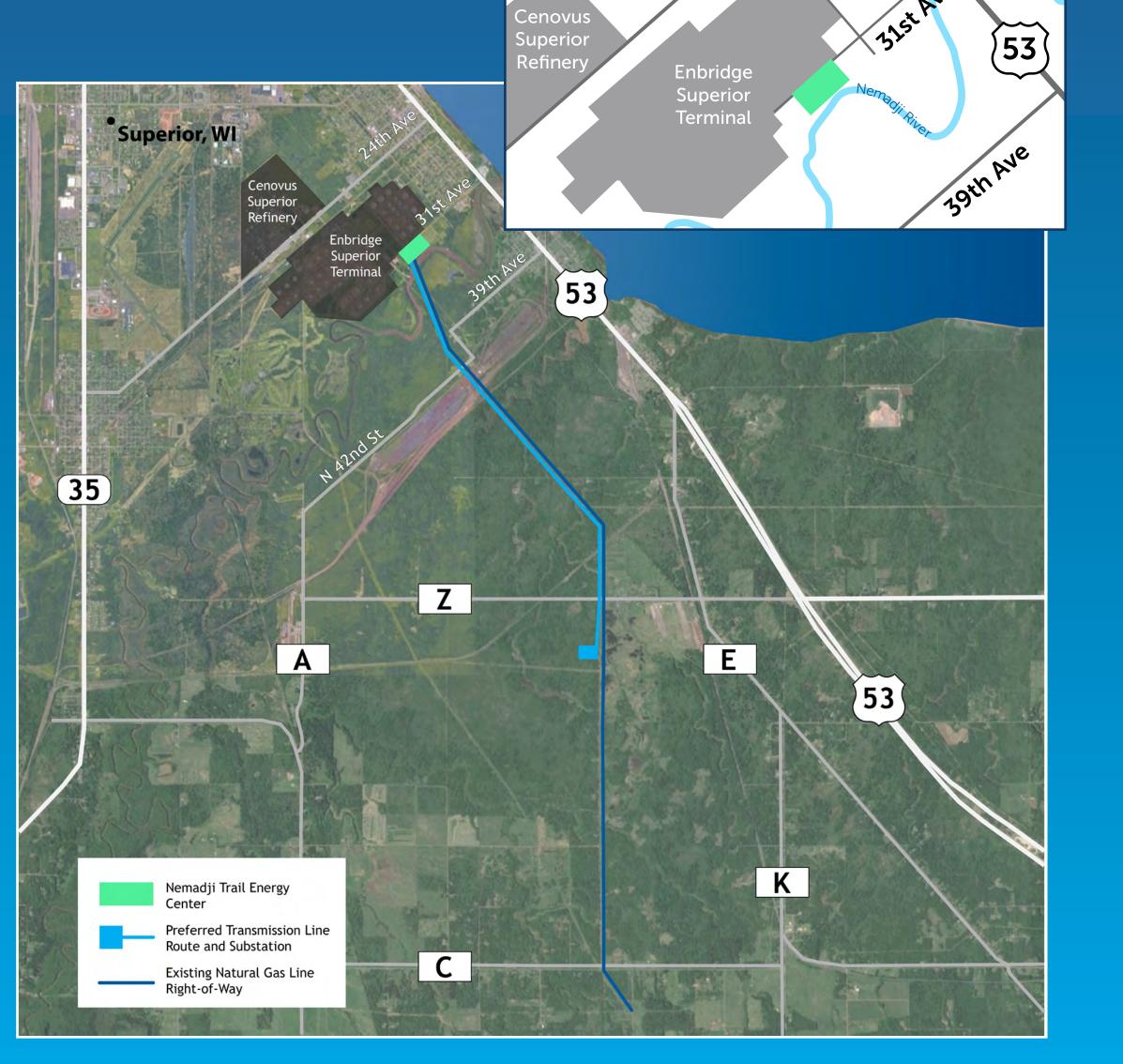


#### VIEWPOINT FROM THE NEMADJI RIVER



# Why was this location selected?

Key reasons the Superior location is the best site for the Nemadji Trail

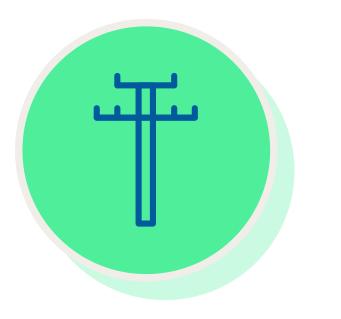


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#### **Energy Center:**

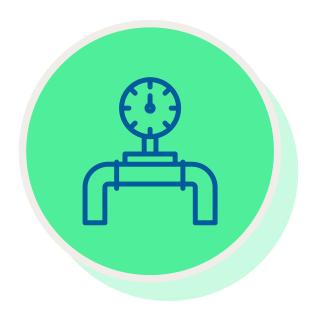
- Neighboring existing industries
- Access to existing gas and grid infrastructure
- Affirmed by the extensive regulatory review process
- Support regional grid reliability

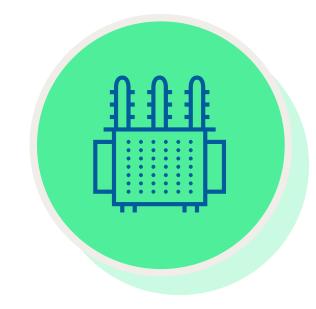
# Additional components associated with the project will aid in the generation and distribution of electricity.



#### **TRANSMISSION LINE**

Approximately four-mile 345kV transmission line parallel to existing right-of-way.





#### **NATURAL GAS PIPELINE**

Approximately seven-mile natural gas pipeline using existing right-of-way.

#### **SUBSTATION**

Approximately 4.3-acre substation associated with the transmission line.

# **Responsive to community concerns**

#### HYDROGEN

The turbine selected for the Nemadji Trail Energy Center project will burn natural gas and have the capability to burn up to 30% hydrogen.

#### WATER USAGE

The facility will use an efficient air-cooled heat exchanger that requires much less water usage than other technologies.

The facility's water needs will be met by the existing municipal water system. No new wells or surface water withdrawals will be needed.

#### LIGHTING

The facility will have exterior lighting for safety and security. All outdoor light fixtures will be fully shielded and directed downward to minimize light visible from adjacent properties. The trees being added to the property will also help minimize light visibility.

#### WETLANDS

The Nemadji Trail Energy Center has been designed to minimize its impact on wetland and water resources. The construction of the Nemadji Trail Energy Center will not result in a loss of wetlands in Wisconsin, due to a mitigation plan that would replace any impacted wetlands with additional wetland resources.

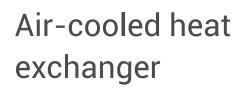
#### FUEL OIL

The Nemadji Trail Energy Center will use natural gas. There are no plans to use fuel (diesel) oil to generate electricity.

#### **VEGETATIVE BUFFER**

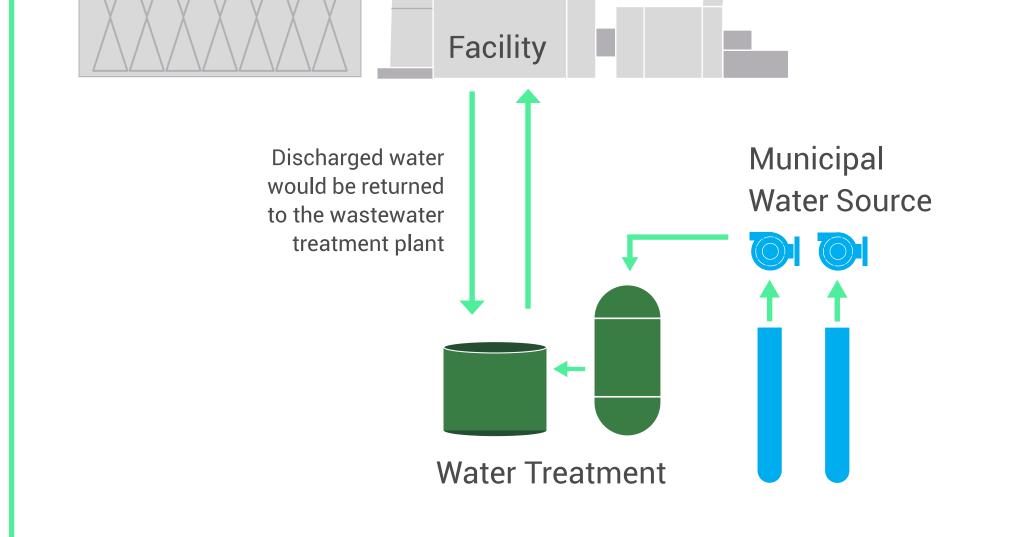
Vegetative buffers will be used to reduce visual impacts to adjacent properties.

# **Environmental considerations**





 The Nemadji Trail Energy Center will lead to emission

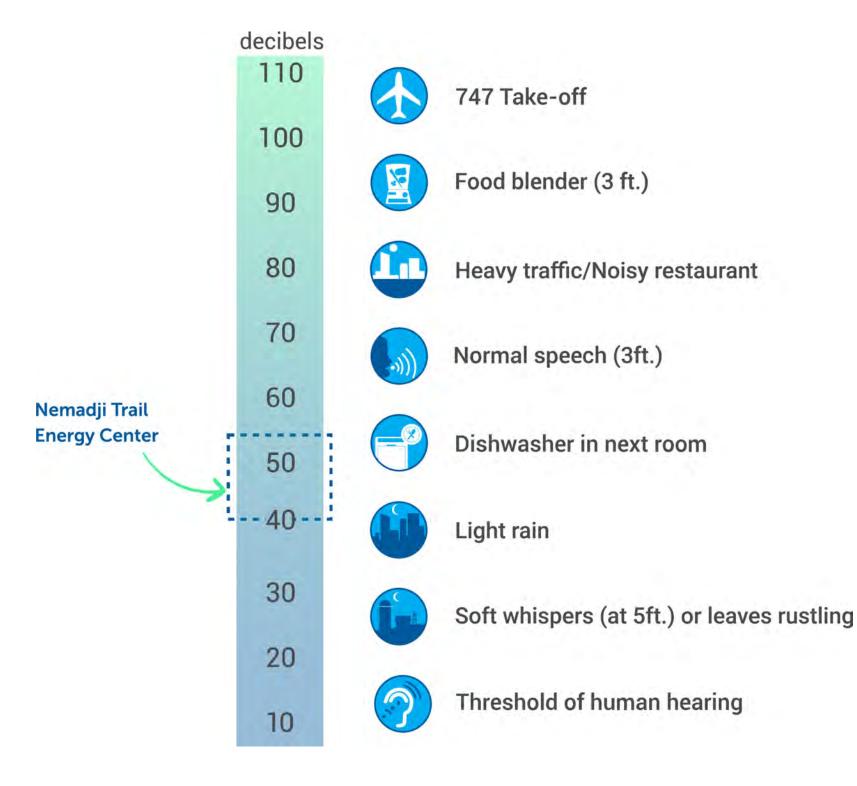


#### NOISE

Noise levels from the facility to the adjacent neighborhood are expected to be between 40 and 55 decibels. This is significantly quieter than the landfill that was recently approved by the reductions as this efficient plant will displace higheremitting fossil fuel plants, and allow more renewable energy sources because of its flexibility.

- The facility will not cause or contribute to significant adverse ambient air quality impacts. The facility has obtained all regulatory emission permits and approvals.
- The Nemadji Trail Energy Center will be built with state-of-the-art emission control equipment.

#### Superior City Council.

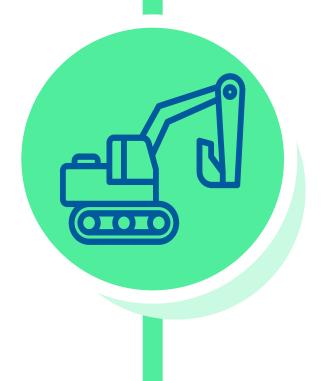




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# Project schedule





## 2024-2027\*

Construction and Commissioning

- Bid Process
- Contract Negotiation
- Letting (Award Contract)
- Construction
- Testing and Commissioning

**Pre-Construction Activities** (Surveying, Vegetation Clearing, Site Grading)



## 2028\* Operational and Delivering Energy to the Grid

\*Pending regulatory approval.

Benefits

One of the largest private investments in Douglas County.

# Reduces carbon, supports renewables and ensures reliability.

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Creates 350 jobs during peak construction and up to 25 full-time permanent jobs.

> Approximately \$1 million in local tax benefit, annually.