

# BB2

## 345kV Transmission Line Project

### Powering New Mexico's Future Through Renewable Energy



The existing BB Line built in 1985 (shown above) cannot transmit more renewable energy.

### Partnering for Prosperity

*Energy development in our new economy takes more than one organization. Exceptional leadership has been provided by the State of New Mexico Governor's Office, the New Mexico State Land Office, the New Mexico Economic Development Department, PNM and more.*

*PNM is committed to supporting economic development efforts for New Mexico.*

*The BB2 Project will not only positively impact the local and state economy, but will do so while supporting the efforts to expand clean energy resources.*

New Mexico's wind energy potential is vast. Since 2003, energy generated by New Mexico wind farms has fed into the PNM existing transmission line, known as the BB Line, located between Bernalillo and Clovis, New Mexico. Built in 1985, the BB Line is now fully utilized and unable to accommodate additional power.

A wind energy developer has applied to PNM to transmit electricity generated by new wind development in Torrance County, New Mexico. PNM is required by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) to develop the requested capacity on its transmission system to serve the customer. To

do so, PNM will need to build a new transmission line in Santa Fe and Sandoval counties as well as a new switching station in Sandoval County in order to deliver this new wind energy. The BB2 345kV Transmission Line Project (BB2 Project) will enable the development of up to 400 MW of wind energy. The BB2 Project will add clean, New Mexico wind energy to the western electric grid and bring financial support to New Mexico schools and local governments.

### Supporting Economic Development by Going Local

- PNM development of new transmission capacity will support local employment of wind energy jobs in Torrance County, New Mexico. The BB2 Project will enable the creation of 17 permanent jobs in the wind energy business for the area resulting in a multiplier effect in the local economy.
- Local firms are involved with the construction work on the wind farms and local businesses will benefit during transmission line construction. The construction jobs for the wind farm and the BB2 Project will create short-term increases in business for service-oriented businesses in surrounding communities such as Clines Corners, Edgewood, Moriarty and beyond.



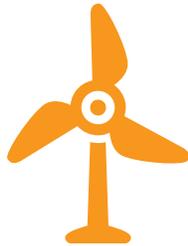
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# BB2 Project: The Basics



*There is  
Power  
in the  
Wind*



***By supporting renewable energy, the BB2 Project sends this important positive message to businesses: New Mexico supports sustainable economic development that benefits New Mexicans.***

*For information about PNM wind, solar and geothermal energy sources, visit **PNM.com***

## The Facts

- A wind energy developer in the PNM area has made an official request for PNM to provide energy delivery of 262 MW of new wind power. PNM is required by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to develop the requested capacity on its transmission system to serve the customer.
- PNM has identified the BB2 Project as the most effective means by which to meet its obligation to develop this requested additional capacity.
- The length of the BB2 line is approximately 45 miles in Santa Fe and Sandoval counties. The line is planned within an existing transmission line corridor immediately adjacent to the existing BB Line.
- The new construction will require an easement typically 150 feet in width (easement requirements along this new connector line may vary, depending on site conditions). PNM will work with landowners to obtain this new easement.
- The new transmission line will be located right next to the current transmission line on lands used for ranching. Ranching use can still continue.
- The BB2 Project will result in a reallocation of the costs of transmission lines for PNM network customers and ratepayers. The net effect on PNM ratepayers will be beneficial or neutral.
- PNM will acquire all applicable permits at the local and state level. No federal permits are required.
- Santa Fe and Sandoval counties will directly benefit from increased property tax payments.



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