

Environmental Impact Statement

Appalachian National Scenic Trail
Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area
Middle Delaware National Scenic and Recreational River

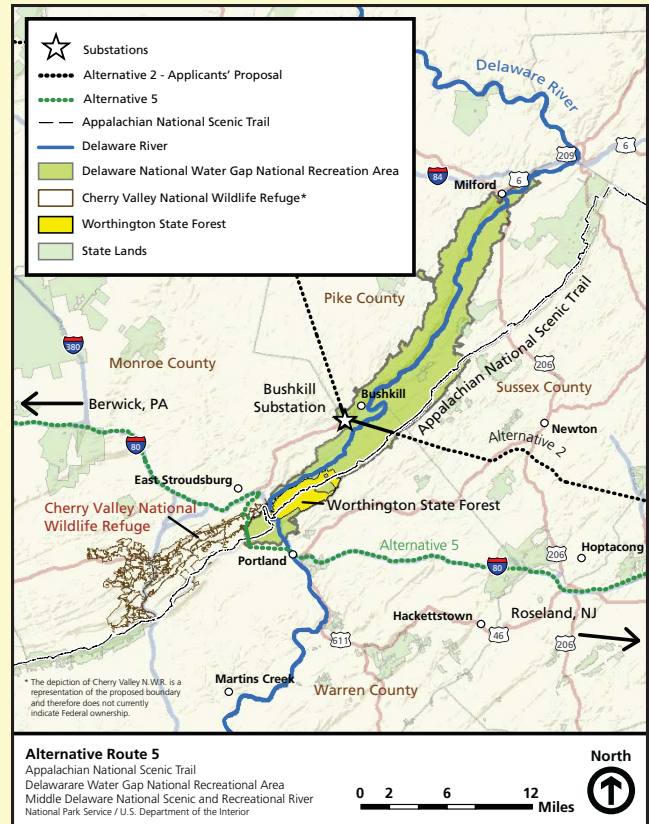
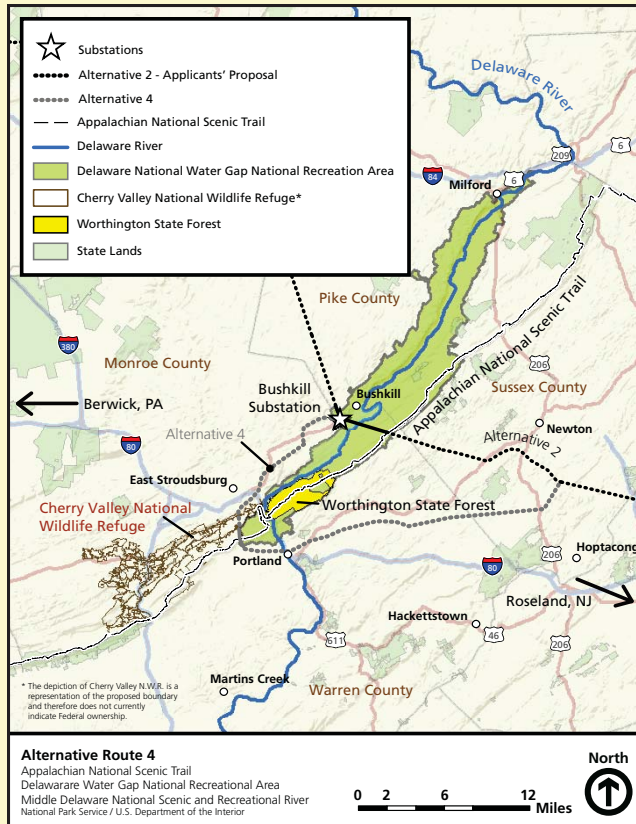
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Action Alternatives 4 & 5



Sections of the alternative routes displayed outside of NPS lands are shown only as examples of potentially viable and feasible alternative routes that the Applicants may choose to complete the transmission of electricity between Susquehanna (Berwick, PA) and Roseland, NJ. The NPS is not dictating or directing where the Applicants can, will, or might choose to place their transmission lines outside of lands and waters of the National Park units involved.

Alternative 4

Alternative 4 provides a feasible transmission route around DEWA and several businesses and communities. This alternative uses an existing transmission line corridor and would serve primarily as another way around most of the NPS land, crossing through DEWA lands for approximately one mile.

It would also cross APPA and portions of the Cherry Valley National Wildlife Refuge (CVNWR) area. Under this alternative, vegetative clearing would need to occur along existing ROW in order to accommodate the proposed transmission line.



Alternative 5

Alternative 5, which would parallel Interstate 80 (I-80), would use existing transmission line ROW where available and would share the corridor with the state highway lands of Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

This alternative would cross DEWA lands for approximately one mile at the southwestern-most tip of the park, in addition to crossing APPA and portions of the CVNWR area. Similarly to Alternative 4, Alternative 5 would require that the vegetation along existing ROW be cleared in order to provide for the proposed ROW width.