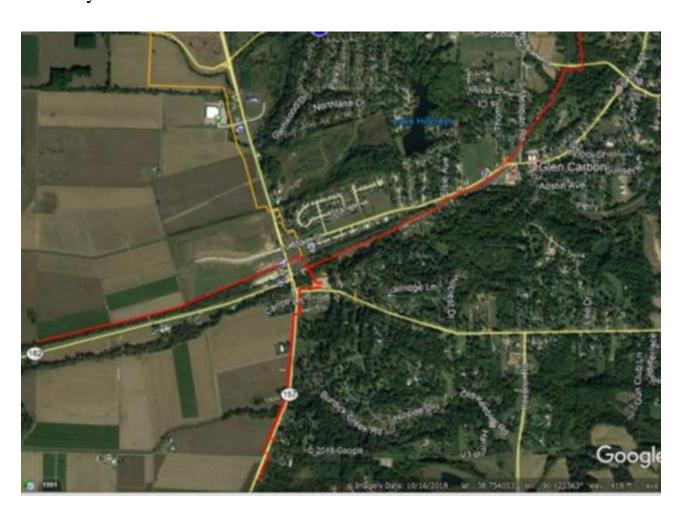


Ameren Illinois Continues Natural Gas Transmission Pipeline Upgrades Set in Madison County

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COLLINSVILLE – Ameren Illinois made a big announcement today that construction of five miles of new natural gas transmission pipeline in Glen Carbon along Illinois State Routes 157 and 162 will begin in late-February.

The project will replace vintage steel natural gas transmission pipeline from the 1960s with a combination of modern 16-inch, 12-inch and 10-inch steel pipeline. Once the pipeline is completed and in-service by the beginning of fall, it will strengthen the integrity and reliability of the company's natural gas system and support economic development for towns in Madison County. The total investment for this phase of the project is approximately \$32 million.

Last year, crews replaced 15 miles of pipeline from Troy to Highland. Total investment was \$43 million. In 2018, crews upgraded 6.4 miles of pipeline from Route 157 in Glen Carbon to Zenk Road. Total investment was \$18 million.

"We have been busy in Madison County strengthening the integrity and reliability of our natural gas infrastructure in Madison County," said Richard J. Mark, Chairman and President, Ameren Illinois. "With these enhancements, Ameren Illinois is taking proactive steps to prepare for the future needs of our natural gas customers. We're excited to bring these enhancements to our customers in Madison County."