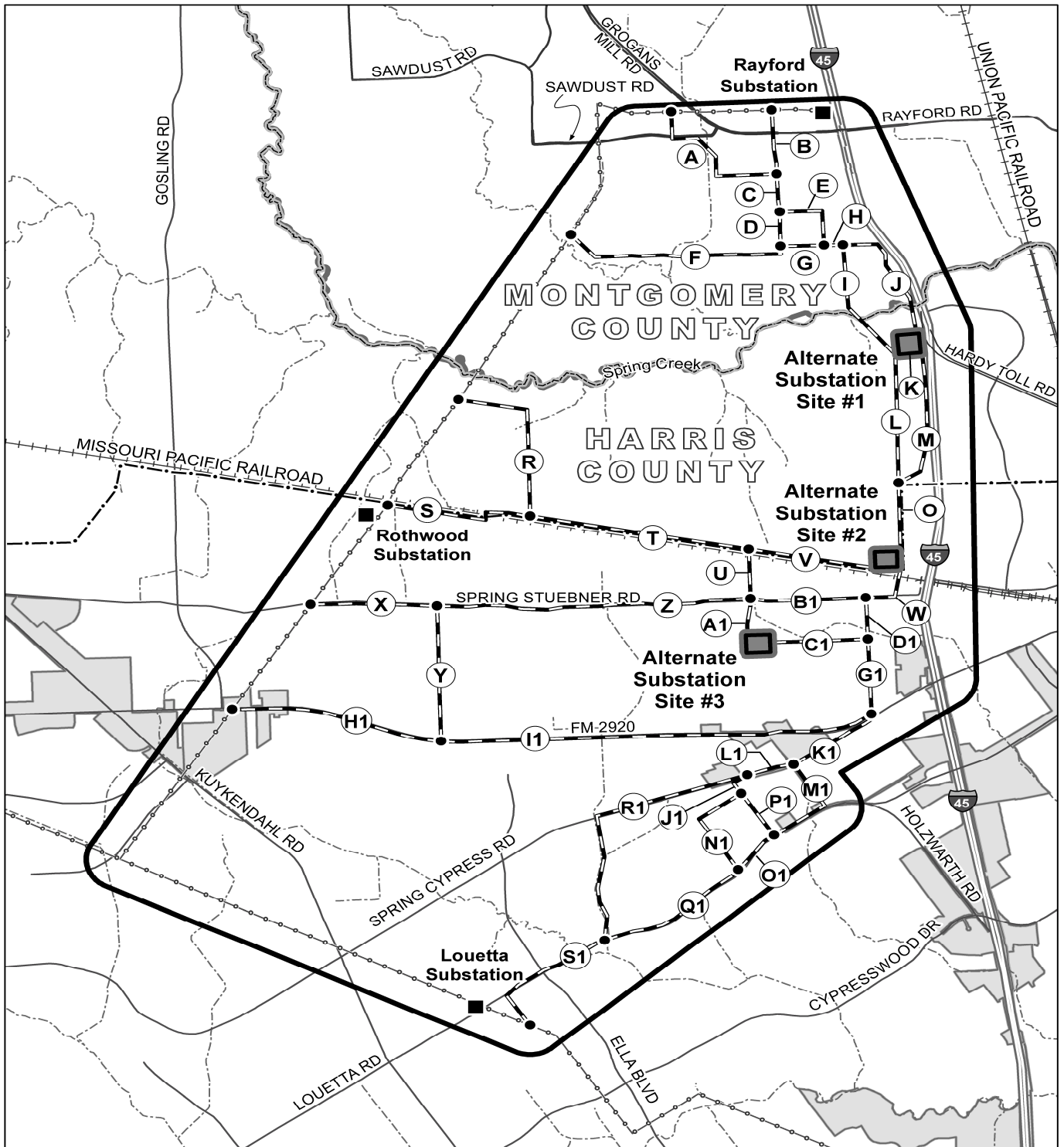


**CenterPoint Energy to host
Public Meeting for a proposed 138 kV Transmission Line in
Harris and Montgomery Counties**

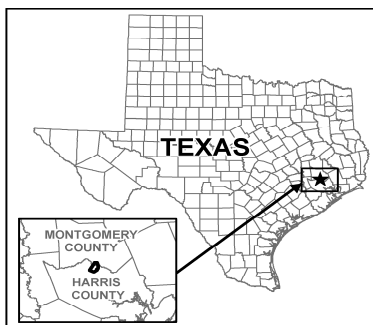
CenterPoint Energy will hold a public open house meeting on Tuesday, September 6, 2011, at Klein United Methodist Church, located at 5920 FM 2920; Spring, Texas 77388 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The purpose of the public meeting is to share information as well as gather input from the public on the yet-to-be-determined route of a proposed 138 kV double-circuit transmission line in northern Harris and southern Montgomery Counties that will provide electric transmission service to one of the proposed alternate CenterPoint Energy Springwoods Substation sites. The proposed transmission line and substation are needed to support a proposed large master-planned residential and commercial development in an undeveloped area west of I-45 and the Hardy Toll Road. The map below illustrates the proposed alternate substation sites and the proposed preliminary transmission line segments; however, only one multi-segment transmission line route and only one of the substation sites will be constructed. CenterPoint Energy will file an application for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT) which regulates CenterPoint Energy, and the PUCT will decide whether the application should be approved and on which route the transmission line should be constructed.

There will be a formal presentation about the project followed by answers to questions submitted by the audience from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Information stations with representatives from CenterPoint Energy and environmental specialists POWER Engineers, Inc. will be available before and after the formal presentation to share information about the project. Individuals who attend the meeting will have an opportunity to ask questions and express any concerns about the proposed project. A questionnaire will be provided by the company for individuals to complete regarding their preferences and to provide comments. Refreshments will be provided.

For more information about the proposed project and the public meeting, please visit our Springwoods Project website at www.centerpointenergy.com/swproject, or contact Mr. Shayne Wright at 713-207-6037.



VICINITY MAP



**138 kV Springwoods Project
Preliminary Transmission Line Segments
and Alternate Substation Sites**



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| | STUDY AREA BOUNDARY | | COUNTY BOUNDARY |
| | PRELIMINARY TRANSMISSION LINE SEGMENT | | CITY BOUNDARY |
| | ALTERNATE SUBSTATION SITE | | INTERSTATE |
| | EXISTING 138 kV TRANSMISSION LINE | | MAJOR ROAD |
| | EXISTING 345 kV TRANSMISSION LINE | | RAILROAD |
| | EXISTING SUBSTATION | | STREAM |

