

Wisconsin law (Wis. Stat. § 182.017(7)(c) to (h)) lists the rights of landowners:

- 7) HIGH-VOLTAGE TRANSMISSION LINES.** Any easement for rights-of-way for high-voltage transmission lines as defined under s. 196.491 (1) (f) shall be subject to all of the following conditions and limitations:
- (a)** The conveyance under ch. 706 and, if applicable, the petition under s. 32.06 (7), shall describe the interest transferred by specifying, in addition to the length and width of the right-of-way, the number, type and maximum height of all structures to be erected thereon, the minimum height of the transmission lines above the landscape, and the number and maximum voltage of the lines to be constructed and operated thereon.
  - (b)** In determining just compensation for the interest under s. 32.09, damages shall include losses caused by placement of the line and associated facilities near fences or natural barriers such that lands not taken are rendered less readily accessible to vehicles, agricultural implements and aircraft used in crop work, as well as damages resulting from ozone effects and other physical phenomena associated with such lines, including but not limited to interference with telephone, television and radio communication.
  - (c)** In constructing and maintaining high-voltage transmission lines on the property covered by the easement the utility shall:
    - 1. If excavation is necessary, ensure that the top soil is stripped, piled and replaced upon completion of the operation.
    - 2. Restore to its original condition any slope, terrace, or waterway which is disturbed by the construction or maintenance.
    - 3. Insofar as is practicable and when the landowner requests, schedule any construction work in an area used for agricultural production at times when the ground is frozen in order to prevent or reduce soil compaction.
    - 4. Clear all debris and remove all stones and rocks resulting from construction activity upon completion of construction.
    - 5. Satisfactorily repair to its original condition any fence damaged as a result of construction or maintenance operations. If cutting a fence is necessary, a temporary gate shall be installed. Any such gate shall be left in place at the landowner's request.
    - 6. Repair any drainage tile line within the easement damaged by such construction or maintenance.
    - 7. Pay for any crop damage caused by such construction or maintenance.
    - 8. Supply and install any necessary grounding of a landowner's fences, machinery or buildings.
  - (d)** The utility shall control weeds and brush around the transmission line facilities. No herbicidal chemicals may be used for weed and brush control without the express written consent of the landowner. If weed and brush control is undertaken by the landowner under an agreement with the utility, the landowner shall receive from the utility a reasonable amount for such services.
  - (e)** The landowner shall be afforded a reasonable time prior to commencement of construction to harvest any trees located within the easement boundaries, and if the landowner fails to do so, the landowner shall nevertheless retain title to all trees cut by the utility.
  - (f)** The landowner shall not be responsible for any injury to persons or property caused by the design, construction or upkeep of the high-voltage transmission lines or towers.
  - (g)** The utility shall employ all reasonable measures to ensure that the landowner's television and radio reception is not adversely affected by the high-voltage transmission lines.
  - (h)** The utility may not use any lands beyond the boundaries of the easement for any purpose, including ingress to and egress from the right-of-way, without the written consent of the landowner.
  - (i)** The rights conferred under pars. (c) to (h) may be specifically waived by the landowner in an easement conveyance which contains such paragraphs verbatim.