

OFFICIAL REQUEST

Landowners:

The Iowa Utilities Board wants to hear from you.

Your voice is important.

Please read and respond.

Please don't throw this away.

Your participation is crucial.

To all landowners subject to Exhibit H (request for eminent domain) along a hazardous liquid pipeline route proposed by Summit Carbon Solutions, LLC, the lowa Utilities Board is offering optional participation in mediation as well as available hearing participation options. *Please open for more information*.



1375 E. Court Ave. Des Moines, IA 50319-0069

To: Landowners

From: Iowa Utilities Board

Date: July, 2023

In January 2022, the Iowa Utilities Board (IUB) received an application from Summit Carbon Solutions, LLC for the construction of a hazardous liquid pipeline.

You are receiving this mailing because land that you own has been identified by the company to the IUB as being subject to a request for eminent domain through a filing called Exhibit H.

The IUB acts as a neutral decision maker to determine whether a proposed pipeline promotes the public convenience and necessity and other requirements of Iowa law.

lowa law requires a hearing, similar to a court proceeding, to be held when eminent domain is requested or when any petition to intervene has been filed. Both apply here, making this a contested case.

State law also requires that hearing to be in the county seat of the county at the midpoint of the pipeline.

The IUB has determined Webster County to be the county at the midpoint of Summit Carbon's proposed pipeline route, and therefore will hold the hearing in Fort Dodge, Iowa.

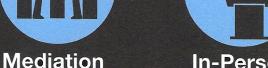
The IUB is not an advocate for any person, landowner, or party.

The Board members, who will issue the decision, must set aside any personal beliefs, pressure from corporations or elected officials, and popular opinion to make decisions that are based on fact and law.

Your voice is essential. We want to hear from you!

There are 4 ways to participate





In-Person Hearing



Virtual Hearing



Written Response to the Board's Questions

1

MEDIATION: Free, voluntary mediation is being offered to you, as a landowner, if you wish to use the service to negotiate a voluntary easement for Summit to access your land.

Mediation is a process where the parties meet with an impartial and neutral person who assists them in the negotiation of their differences.

The lowa Utilities Board is not a party to the negotiation, but is responding to landowners who have communicated with the Board that they find have questions or concerns about Summit's requests for voluntary easements.

If you do not come to an agreement on a voluntary easement through mediation or other means, you still have the ability to participate in the hearing on the use of eminent domain.

If you choose to participate in mediation, you may still participate in the hearings.

2

IN-PERSON HEARING: You may present information about your property at an in-person hearing in Ft. Dodge, IA, before the IUB.

The IUB has set the hearing to begin on August 22, 2023, at the Cardiff Center, 3232 First Ave., Fort Dodge. Additional information about in-person participation will be provided to landowners at a later date.

3

VIDEO TESTIMONY: If you cannot appear in person, you are invited to participate through a videoconferencing connection. You will need reliable internet access to provide testimony.

4

WRITTEN COMMENTS: You can provide a written response to the Board's questions about your property instead of appearing during the hearing in person. A list of questions will be emailed or mailed to you (depending on your preference for communication) prior to August 1, 2023.

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Please respond through ONE of these options to indicate your interest in participating:

- 1. Fill out the attached postcard and mail it to us
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- 3. Link to form at iub.iowa.gov/summit
- 4. Call our office 515-725-7300 Monday through Friday, 8 AM to 4:30 PM



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FACTS:

What is eminent domain?

For some land parcels, Summit has not obtained a voluntary easement for the property needed to construct the pipeline. In this case, it has asked the IUB for the authority to obtain those rights by eminent domain, also known as condemnation. Condemnation is the process of taking private property for public use through the power of eminent domain.

What is an easement?

An easement is a legal right of the company for the use of another's property. The landowner remains the owner of the land, but use of the easement area is restricted by conditions in the easement or by law. The rights sought by the company are similar whether obtained by voluntary easement or by eminent domain.

