# Certification process

# **SETEX Area Reliability Project**

## Project development

- Identify project study area.
- Gather environmental and cultural data.
- Contact federal, state and local agencies.
- Identify routing constraints.
- Develop preliminary alternative route segments.
- Identify current landowners within 500 ft of alternative routes.
- Solicit public input via open house meetings. (We Are Here)
- Evaluate preliminary alternative routes and identify primary alternative routes.

## Certificate of convenience and necessity (CCN) application process

- Submit CCN Application to the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT), including an adequate number of alternative routes.
- Send notices to landowners within 500 ft. of an alternative route, municipalities, counties, electric utilities, Department of Defense, and pipeline owners in the area.
- All routes and route segments included in this notice are available for selection and approval by the PUCT. If approved, only one route (consisting of multiple route segments) from a "Cut-In" option to the Babel Substation site will be selected by the PUCT.
- Interested parties may file comments or a motion to intervene and participate in the PUCT proceeding (Intervention Period 30 days)
  - If application is uncontested: application approved administratively in 80 days.
  - If application is contested: application processed within 180 days and could include a hearing.

# PUCT decision and next steps

- Approves or denies application.
- If approved, selects location of final approved route.
- Approval provides Entergy Texas, Inc. with the authorization to build the new transmission line along the route approved by the PUCT.
- Notices will be sent to landowners who received notice of Entergy Texas, Inc.'s application advising them of the decision and next steps.

