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Dear Crow Wing Township Neighbor,

Crow Wing Power is beginning early conversations about the possibility of constructing a new Energy & Service Center on property we own in Crow Wing Township. Because you live near this property, we wanted to reach out early and share information about what we are exploring.

In the summer of 2025, Crow Wing Power partnered with Cooperative Building Solutions to review our current facilities and evaluate how well they support the work required to safely and reliably serve our growing membership. Through that assessment, along with continued conversations among staff and our Board of Directors, it became clear that our current facilities cannot fully support the operational needs of the Cooperative in the years ahead.

As a result, the Board has authorized preliminary exploration of what a future Energy & Service Center could look like on this property.

Currently, the project is still in the pre-planning and exploration phase. A building committee and members of our Board of Directors are currently speaking with architects and contractors to better understand possible options. Widseth is also completing preliminary site work at the property, including soil testing, water assessments, and surveying. These studies help determine what may or may not be possible on the site.

While we have a general understanding of the type of space Crow Wing Power may need in the future, the design, layout, and building footprint have not been determined. Projects of this size involve many steps and decisions that must happen in a thoughtful order. Because of that, there are still details we do not have answers to today.

Over the coming months, the Board of Directors and Building Committee will continue evaluating the Cooperative's operational needs and reviewing possible options before any final decision is made about whether to move forward with construction.

As planning progresses, Crow Wing Power expects to file a rezoning request to the Crow Wing Township Board in June regarding potential permits and zoning considerations.

We understand that projects like this can raise questions, and we want to communicate openly with nearby residents. Crow Wing Township will share information about any public comment opportunities, and we welcome feedback as the process continues. Our goal is to be a good partner in the community while making thoughtful decisions that serve both the Crow Wing Township community and the members of Crow Wing Power.

We will continue to share updates as the project develops. The best place to find information will be a dedicated project page at [cwpower.com](http://cwpower.com).

Thank you for taking the time to learn more.

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