

What to Expect

Checklist

The following items are required prior to your first site visit.

- Complete application
- Landowner's deed*
- Certificate Of Compliance*
- \$100 engineering fee (*non-refundable*)
- Pre-determine the route of line (*Medina EC may assist during site visit*) and determine meter location (*house or meter pole*)
- Clear 40 feet of right-of-way (*20 feet on each side*)
- Any necessary easements and associated deeds. This is required if the power lines will cross any neighboring properties.

*Only if located in Dimmit, Kinney, LaSalle, Starr, Webb or Zavala county. Please note, each county has different requirements to fulfill the COC.

Before Visit

Complete the appropriate application online for New Construction and submit all required fees and documents. If you know the route you plan to run power line, ensure the 40-foot right-of-way is clear. If you do not know the route, our team can help determine an area, but if it's not cleared, we may not be able to stake the job at that time resulting in a separate trip, additional fees and delay the project. Ensure any applicable landowner's deeds and property easements have been acquired.

Site Visit

During our site visit, a Medina EC line designer will stake the power lines. Keep all private and underground lines 30 feet away and visibly marked. Meter poles will be included in your design and estimate with the meter can. You can buy a 200 amp meter loop from us for approximately \$680-780** plus tax. Right-of-way must be cleared prior to staking. If you are working with an electrician on your project, they are encouraged to attend your appointment. **Meter loop costs are subject to change without notice.

After Site Visit

A line designer will contact you within two weeks with an estimated cost of construction for your project with the agreed on route for power lines. Any additional easements and/or permits needed will be discussed. It is the member's responsibility to discuss with any neighbors the need for property easements. Once the design and estimate are approved and all permits are received, an invoice will be issued for construction costs.

Construction Process

After construction costs are paid, any additional easements are signed and all paperwork is provided, construction will be scheduled. The timeline varies, but can typically be completed within six weeks. The construction foremen will call one to two days prior to starting construction. All debris and equipment must be out of the 40-foot wide easement where construction will take place.

What about easements?

You may be required to obtain and submit additional easements from property owners for adjacent properties applicable to your work order.

What happens if I want another design option after my first site visit?

Requests for different design options and staking visits may incur additional costs and delay the project.

What is a settle up?

For all jobs that cost more than \$10,000, there is a settle-up after the job is constructed based on the actual cost of the job. If it costs less to build than what Medina EC estimated, the member is issued a credit; if it costs more to build than estimated, the member is invoiced.

Are there any credits available?

Jobs established to serve permanent residences are eligible for a \$1,800 construction credit. To be eligible, the location must have an adequate water supply, a connection to wastewater facilities, and a home that is constructed or placed on a permanent foundation. Mobile homes must have all wheels, axles and hitch removed. Alternatively, proof of purchase or a builder's contract may be provided.

Can I get an estimate without a site visit?

The only way to get an exact estimate for your new construction service is to apply, pay the engineering fee and have one of our line designers visit your location. You can visit our Cost Estimator page to view different scenarios to get an idea on how much a similar job might cost.



Scan for the Cost Estimator page

How long is my estimate good for?

Estimates are good for 60 days and applications and service orders are valid for six months. Failure to complete the payment in that time-frame will result in recalculating costs. If the payments are not made and the job doesn't go to construction, the service order will be closed. If someone wants to reconsider a job at that location in the future, a new service application will need to be completed and the process will start over.