

## SURVEYORS ARE NOW IN NELSON COUNTY

### Guidance for Responding

Dominion posted on their webpage that they would start surveying properties in Nelson County on October 1. They have stated that they will only survey properties if the owner has given permission.

**It is not too late to deny permission before the surveyors arrive.** Call 1-888-895-8716 and ask to speak to your right of way agent. They will ask for your parcel numbers. Get the name of the agent and write down their name, and date and time of your call. Follow up with a written letter to Dominion sent to: Mr. Russell W. Johnson, Manager—Land, Lease & Right of Way, Dominion Transmission, Inc., 445 West Main Street, Clarksburg, WV 26301. If you want to have proof they received the letter, send it certified mail with receipt-requested. You may also email or call Jeff Ashley who is the Nelson County survey team lead. His cell phone number is 254-716-4554 and email is [jeff.ashley40@gmail.com](mailto:jeff.ashley40@gmail.com).

If you have denied survey and Dominion tries to survey your property:

- a. Tell the survey team that you have denied permission and if they try to survey your property you will call the Sheriff (434-263-7050) and report a trespass incident. Show them your proof of denial.
- b. Immediately call the Sheriff, whether they enter your property or not, and report a threatened or actual trespass.
- c. Call Friends of Nelson at 540-456-6509 or email them at [friendsofnelson@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofnelson@gmail.com).
- d. Take pictures of the surveyors and their vehicles including license plates, and any damage they may have done to your property. If you do take pictures that show evidence of a trespass or other damage to your property, please notify Friends of Nelson.
- e. Notify your neighbors that the surveyors are in the area and share this guidance with them.

If you did give permission, you can still deny permission once the surveyor arrives.

- a. Tell the surveyors that you are giving them notice that you do not want them on your property. Send a follow-up letter to the address above.
- b. If they try to force their way onto your property, tell them you are calling the Sheriff (434-263-7050) to report a trespass incident.
- c. Take pictures or videos of the surveyors, their vehicles and license plates, and any damage they might have done to your property.
- d. Notify your neighbors that there are surveyors in the area and share this guidance with them.

If you have given written permission for your property to be surveyed and still want it surveyed:

- a. Ask for the surveyors to provide you a specific date when they plan to survey your property.
- b. Be present or have a representative present for the survey so you can point out the sensitive areas of your property that need to be avoided.
- c. If you feel like you were treated improperly by the surveyors, please call (540-456-6509) or email Friends of Nelson ([friendsofnelson@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofnelson@gmail.com)) or your District Rep. We will collect all complaints and forward to Dominion.
- d. Share this information with your neighbors.

If you have questions, you can also contact your District Reps. North and Central Districts: Helen Kimble ([hkhelenkimble@gmail.com](mailto:hkhelenkimble@gmail.com)). East and South Districts: Anne Buteau ([annebuteau@yahoo.com](mailto:annebuteau@yahoo.com)) and Janice Jackson ([jjacksonconsult@earthlink.net](mailto:jjacksonconsult@earthlink.net)).

NOTE: Friends of Nelson offers this as guidance and not as legal advice. You should always contact your lawyer for advice on any legal issue.