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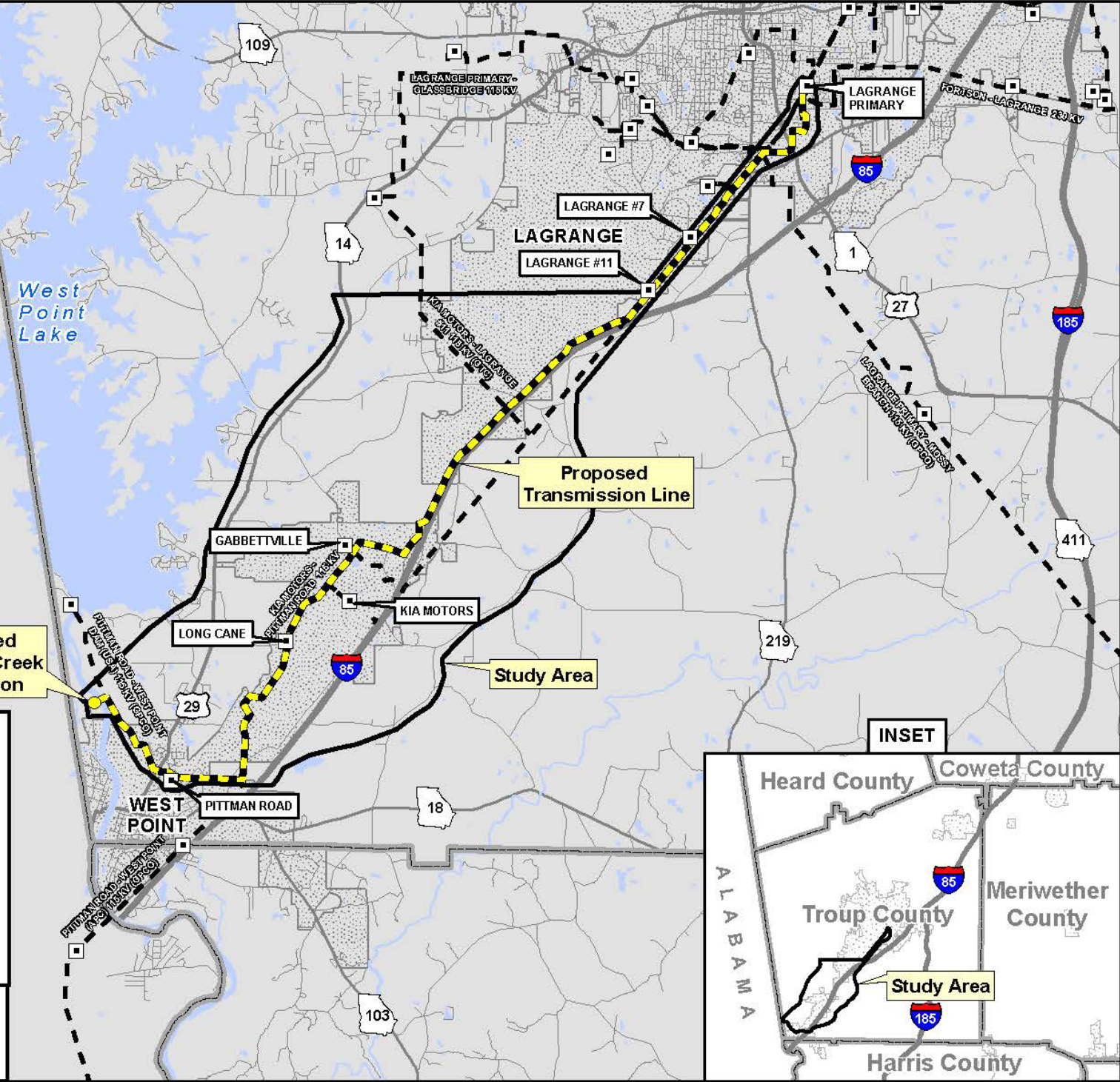
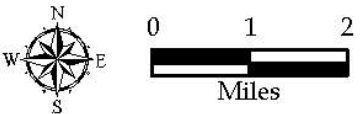
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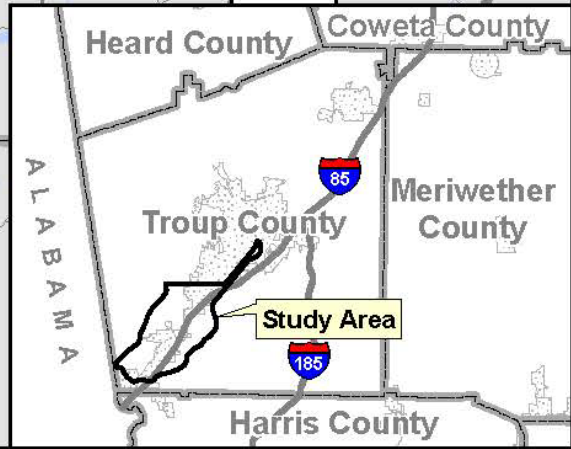
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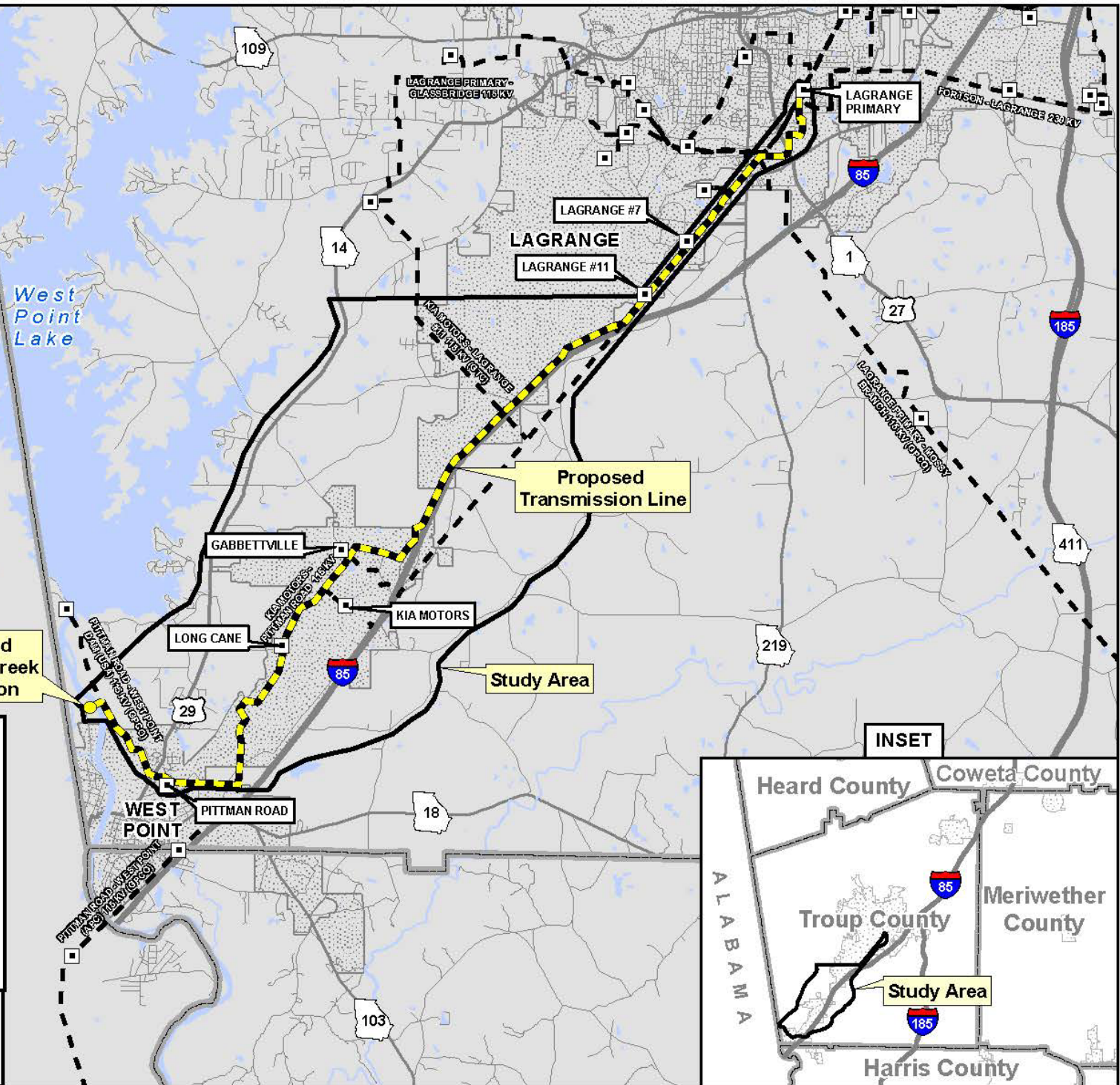
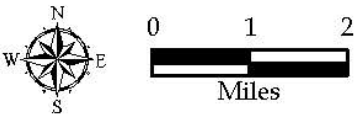
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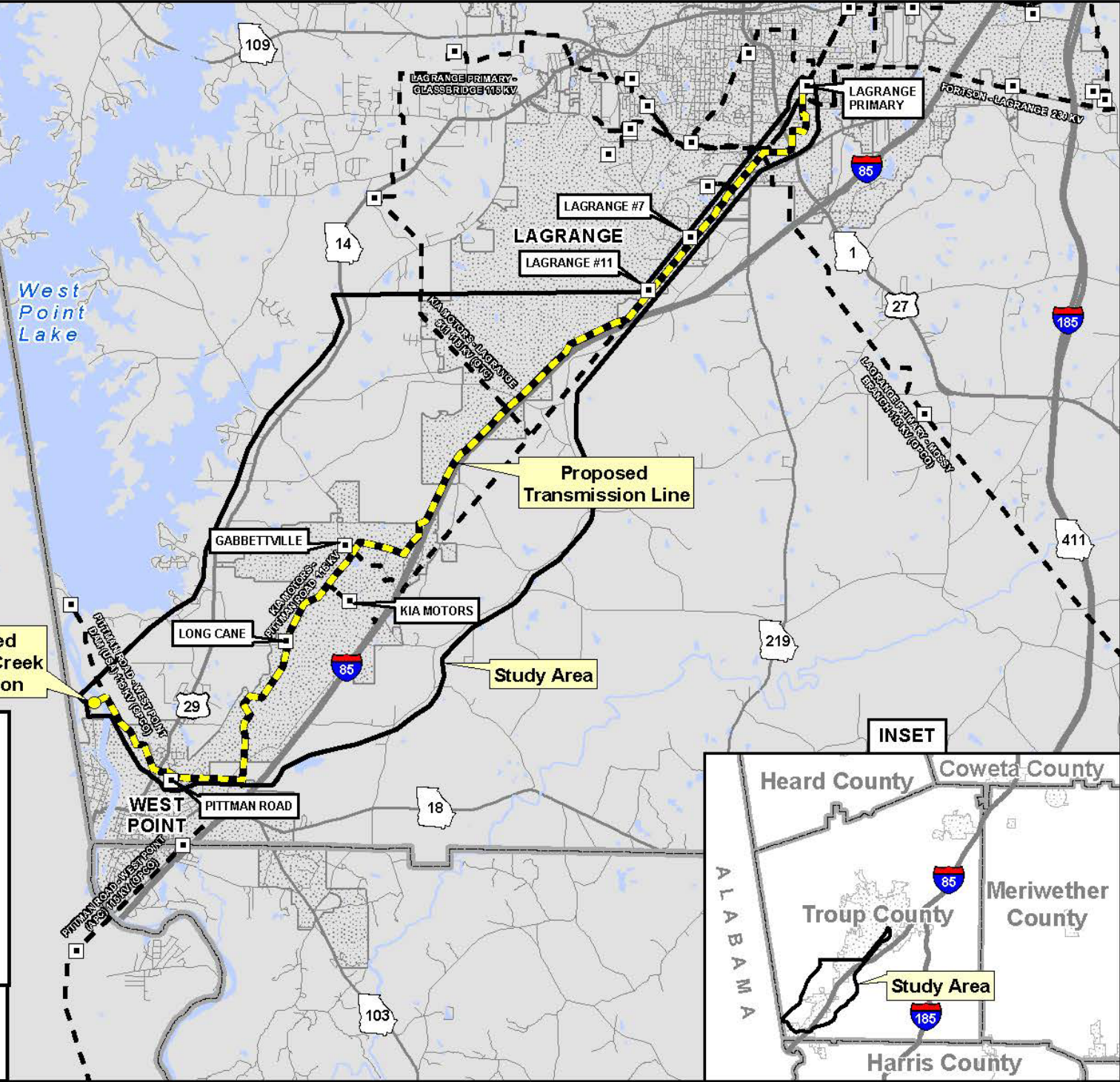
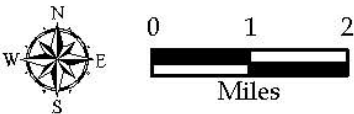
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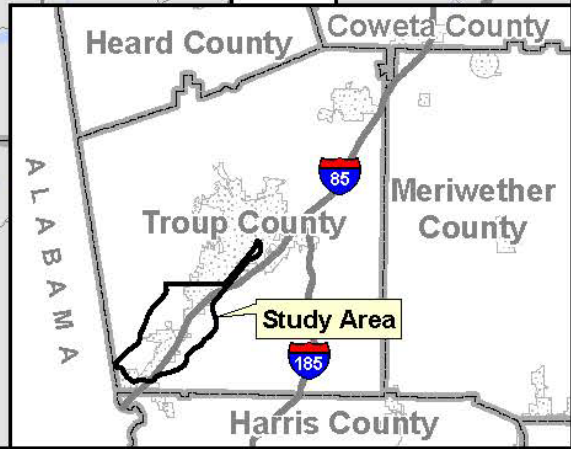
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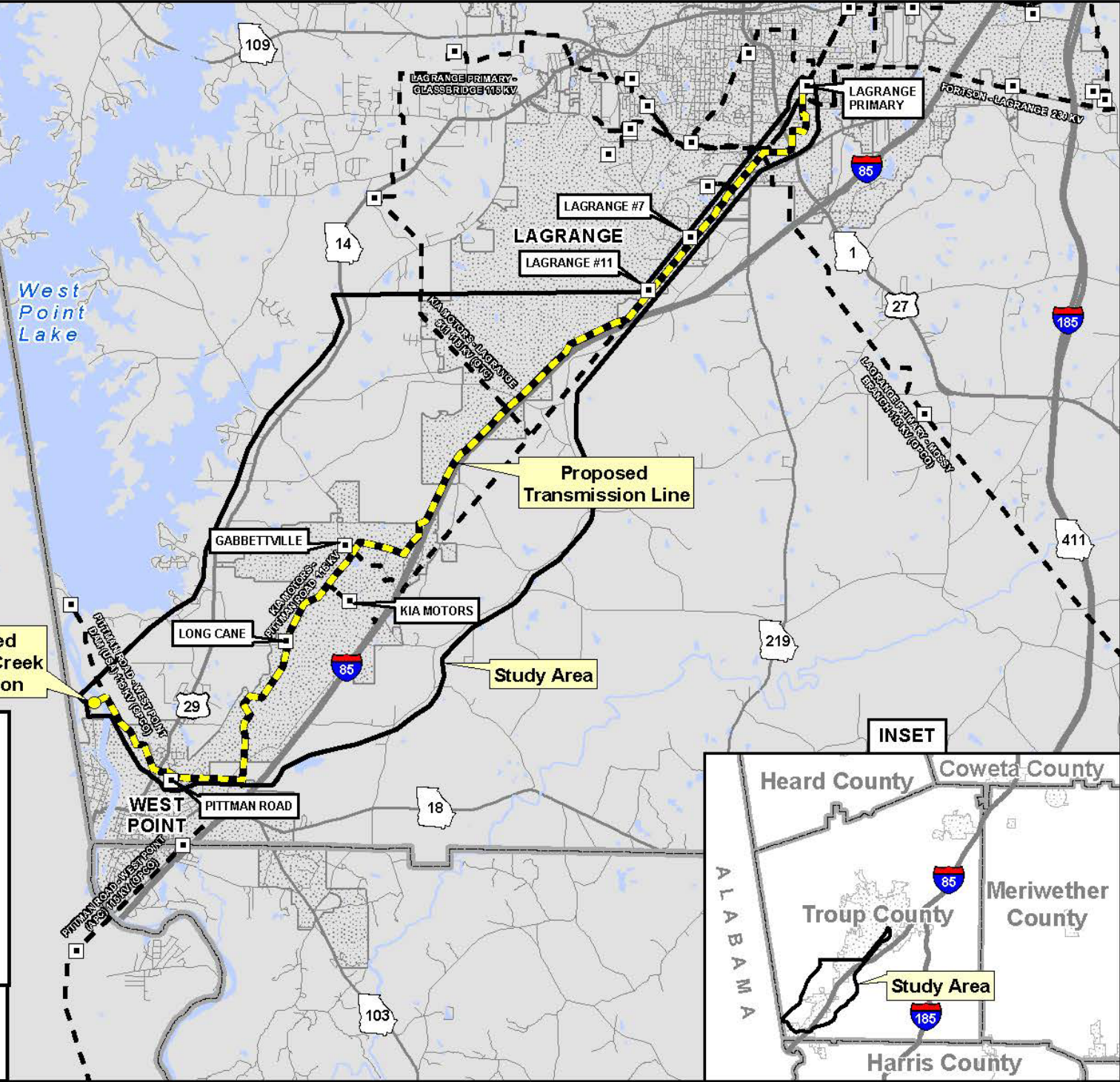
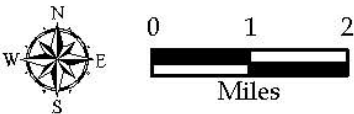
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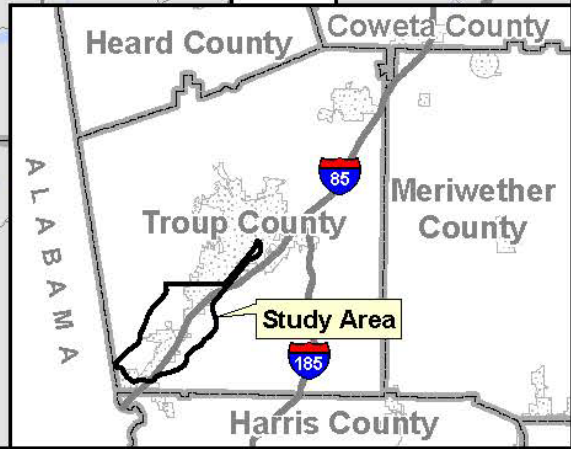
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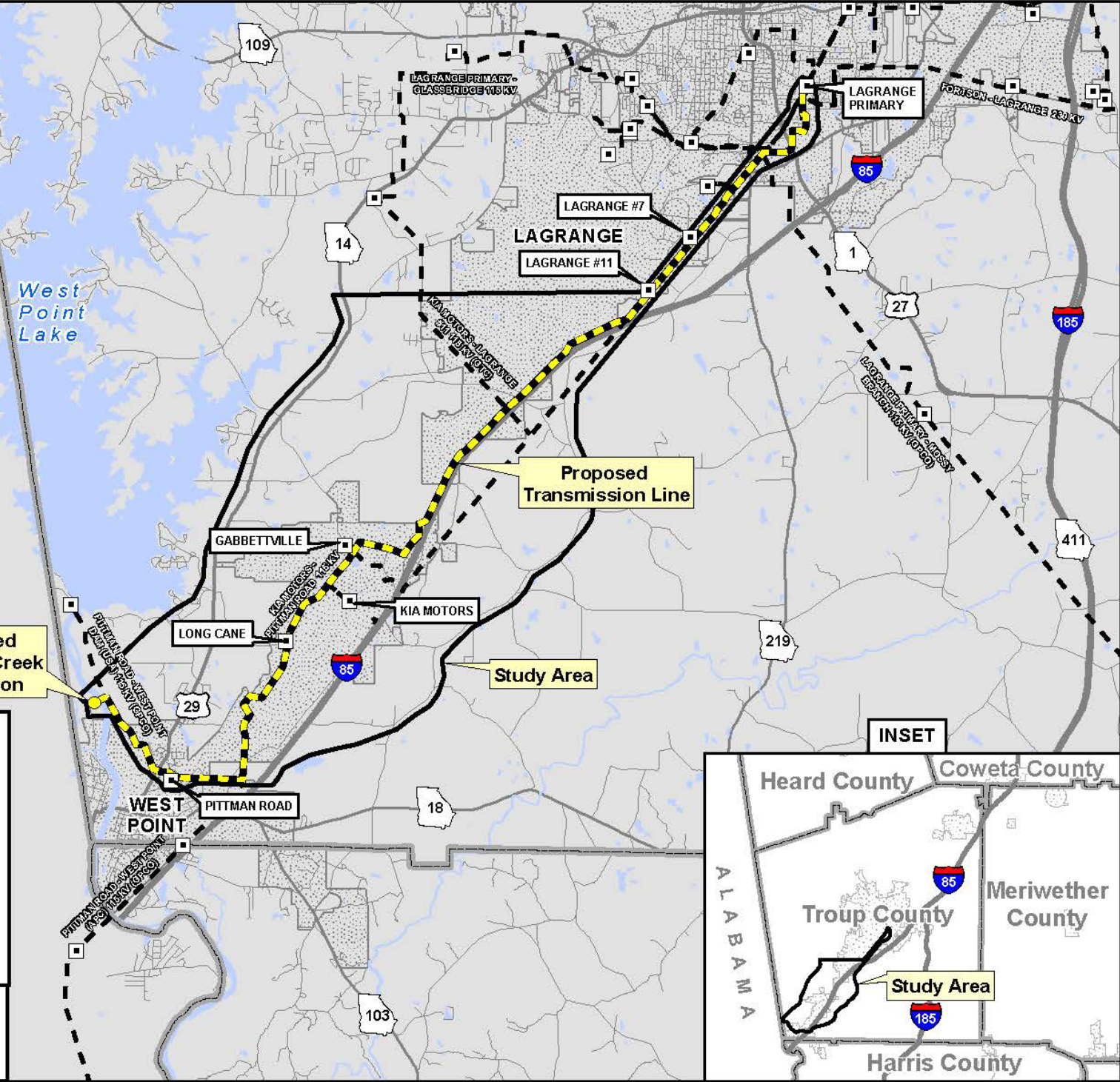
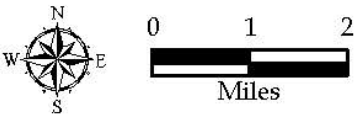
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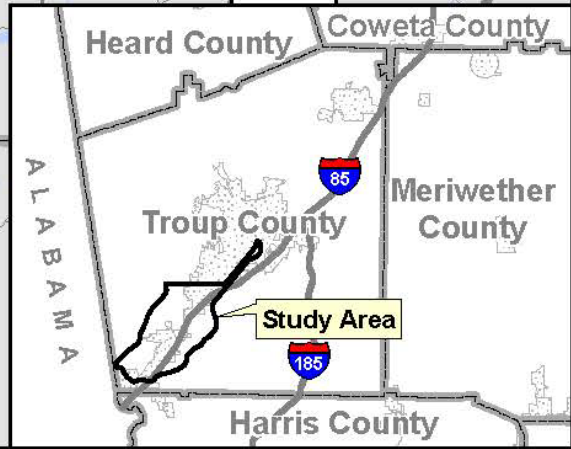
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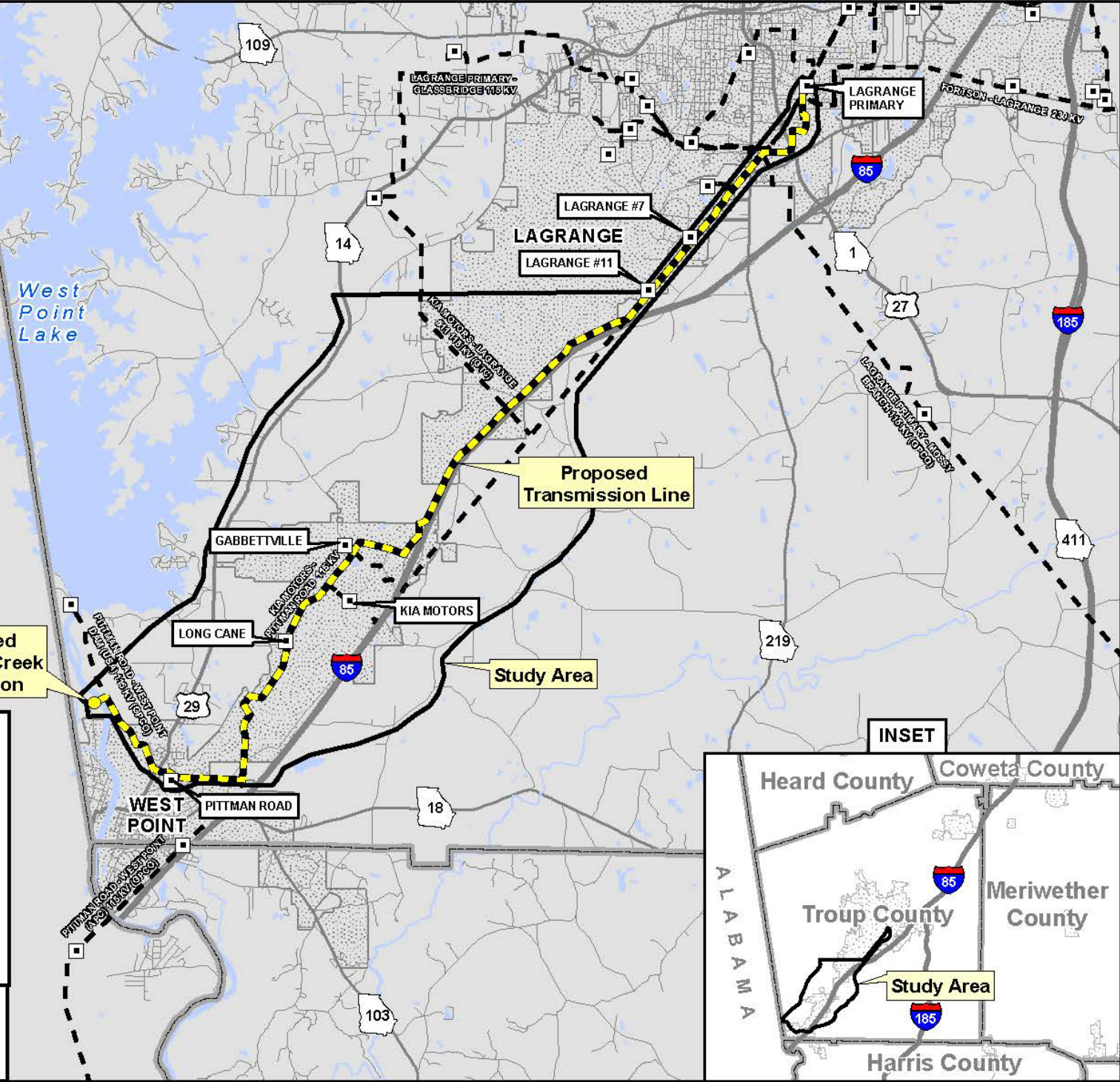
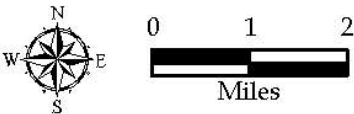
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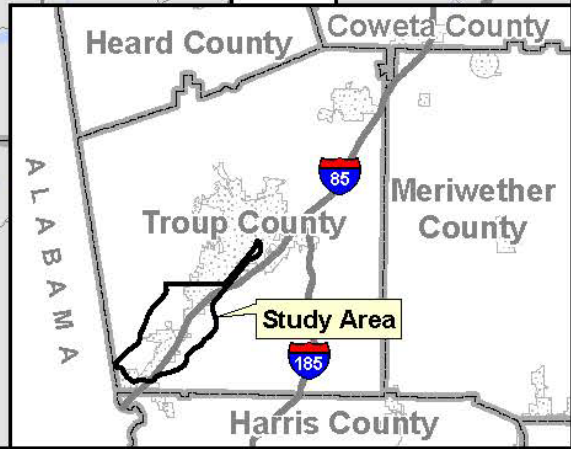
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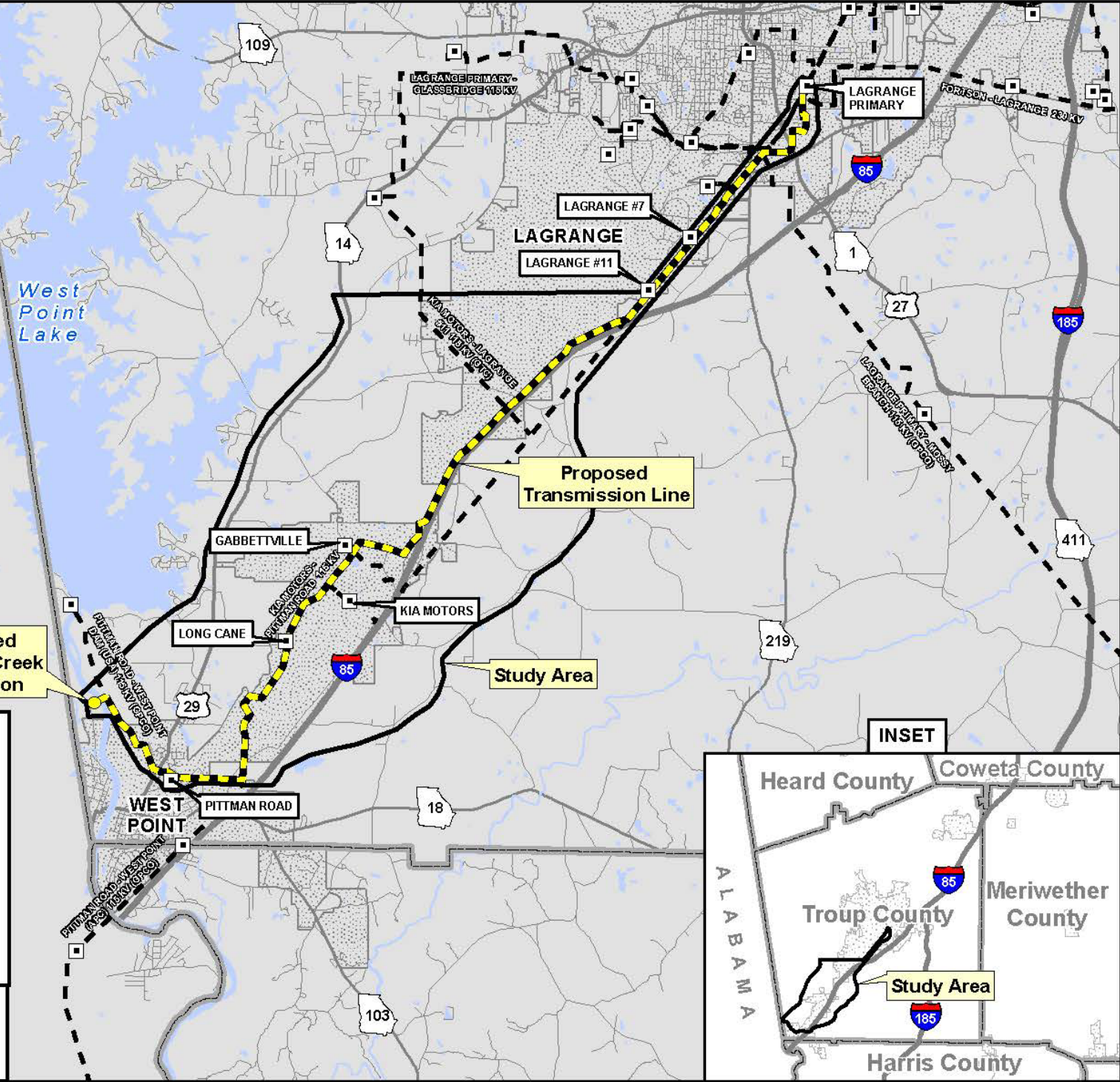
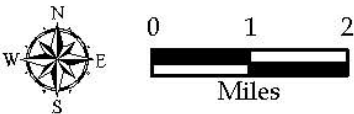
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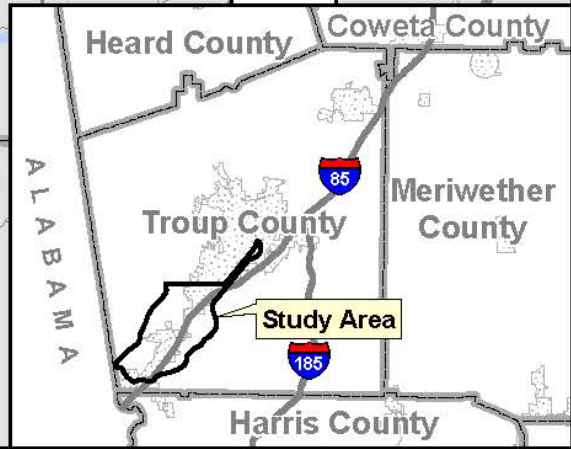
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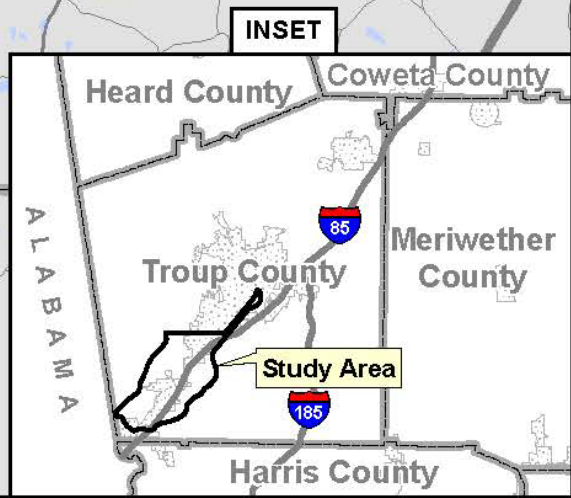
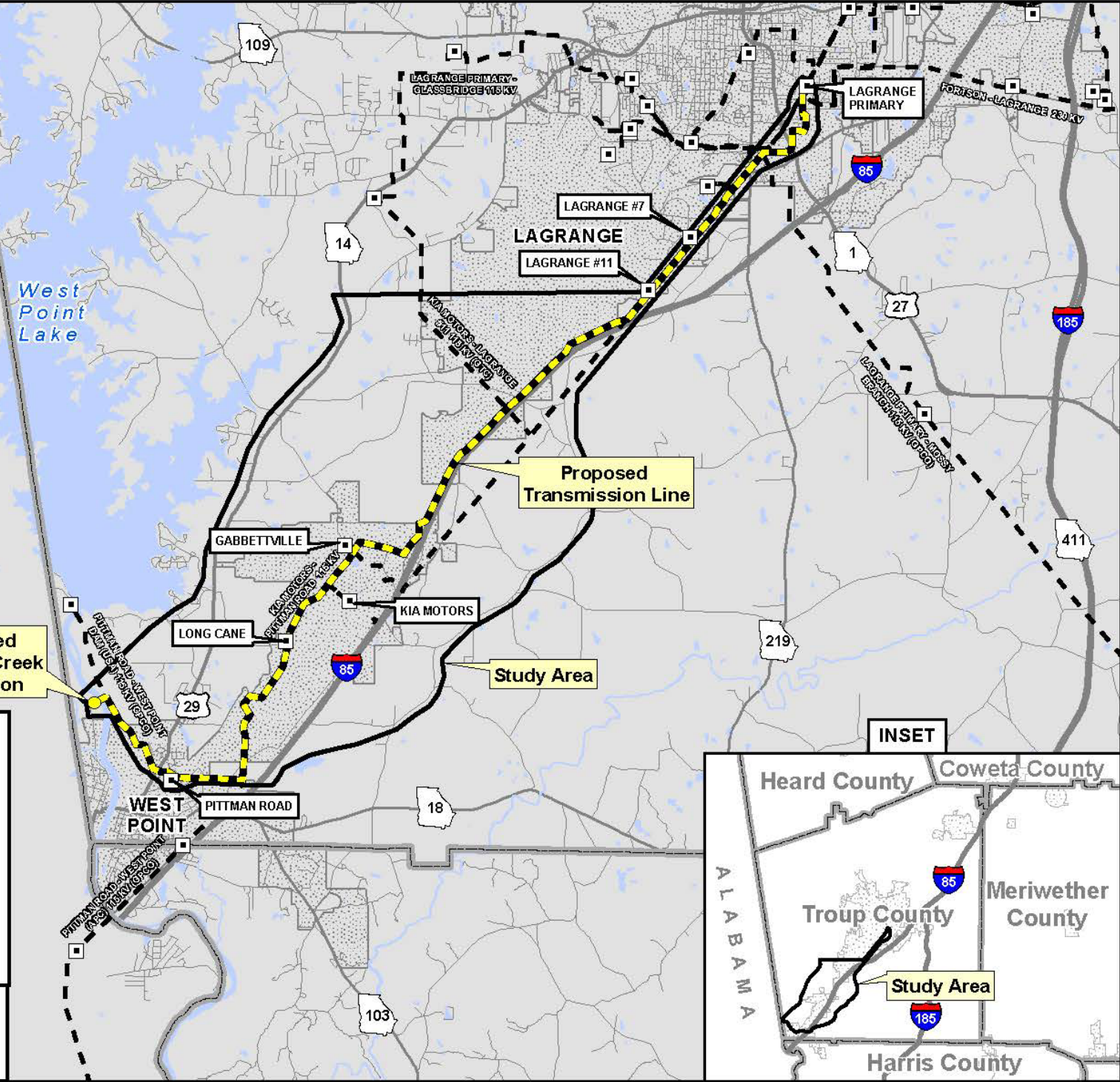
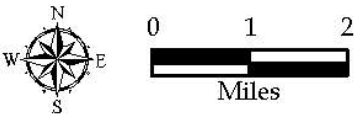
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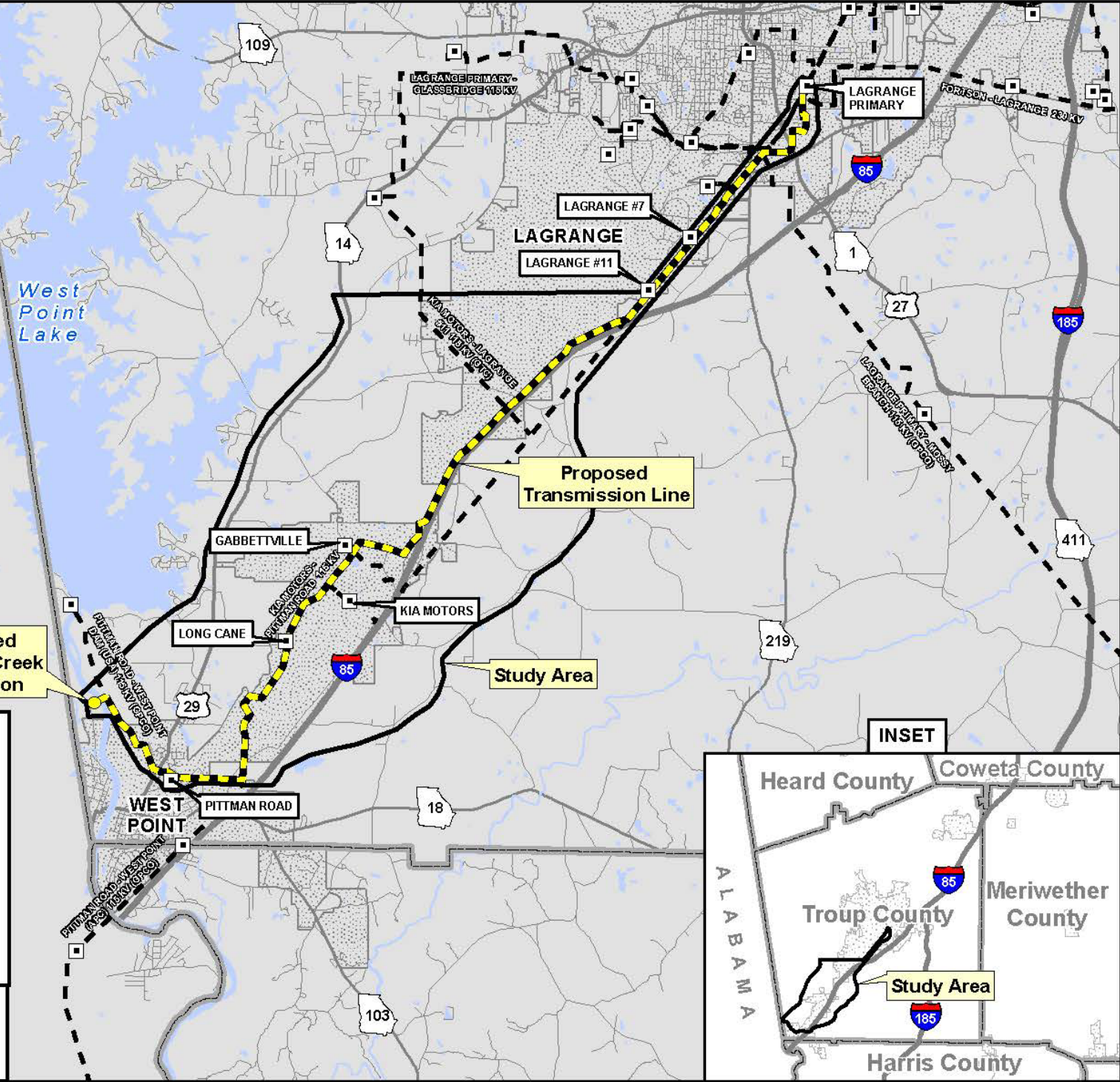
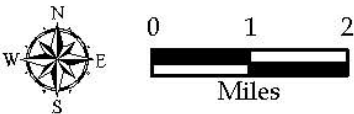
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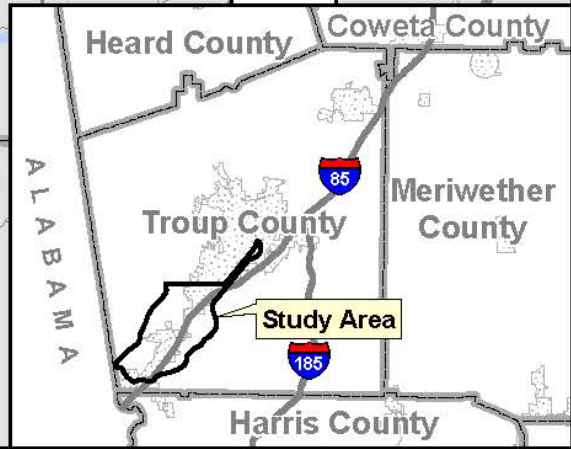
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Accordingly, the RUS is submitting a finding of adverse effect to the Henry and Lura Miller House, a property listed on the NRHP, as well as supporting documentation for your review and consideration. Please provide your concurrence or objection **electronically** within 30 days of your receipt of this recommended finding. RUS will proceed to the next step in review if we do not receive a response from you within thirty days. Please direct any questions you may have to Greg Korosec by email at gregory.korosec@usda.gov.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure(s): Project Location Map
Survey Reports (*Accessible via Hyperlinks on Page 5*)



Study Area Map
Proposed
LaGrange Primary - GA/ AL Line
230 kilovolt (kV)
Transmission Line &
Oseligee Creek Substation

ALABAMA

West
Point
Lake

Proposed
Oseligee Creek
Substation

Proposed
Transmission Line

Study Area

Legend

- Proposed Substation
- Existing Substations
- Proposed Route
- Existing Transmission Lines
- County Boundary
- City Boundary
- Study Area



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Miles

LAGRANGE PRIMARY -
GLASSBORO 230KV

LAGRANGE
PRIMARY

FORTSON - LAGRANGE 230KV

LAGRANGE #7

LAGRANGE
LAGRANGE #11

LAGRANGE - LAGRANGE
230KV

LAGRANGE PRIMARY - MISSY
230KV

GABBETTVILLE

KIA MOTORS

LONG CANE

PITTMAN ROAD - WEST POINT
230KV

WEST
POINT

PITTMAN ROAD

INSET

Heard County

Coweta County

Troup County

Meriwether County

Study Area

Harris County

Survey Report Enclosure(s):

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