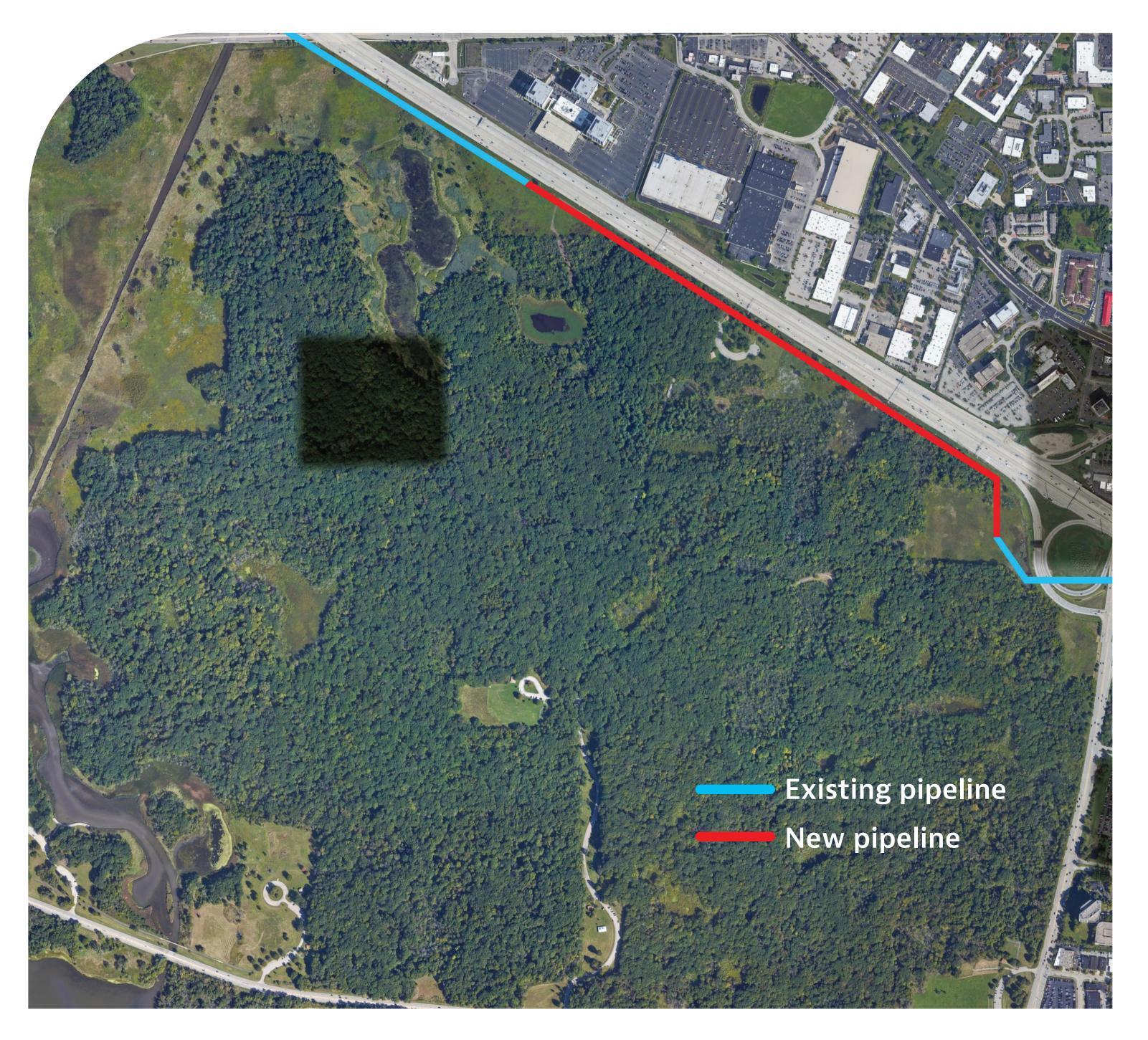


A Nicor Gas system improvement initiative

Nicor Gas Pipeline Relocation & Busse Woods Restoration

Nicor Gas is rerouting and replacing two natural gas pipelines that cut through the Busse Forest Nature Preserve at Busse Woods. This project is part of the Nicor Gas Investing in Illinois Initiative, a multi-year program which includes replacing aging natural gas pipelines with state-of-the-art technology to ensure residents have access to the natural gas they need, when they need it, for years to come.

Aging underground gas pipelines from 1958



and 1971 will be retired in place, with new pipeline installed along the boundary of Busse Woods. This project follows a plan created in cooperation with the Forest Preserves of Cook County, the Illinois Nature Preserves Commission and other environmental agencies. While this will result in the loss of trees along the northern edge of Busse Woods, the former route, which required a 25-foot wide corridor of mowed grass for access through the nature preserve, will restore over time into a continu-

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ous stretch of healthy woodland.



