Urban farming is permitted as a secondary-land use on energy ROWS. This is a cheat sheet for farming in a Georgia Power ROW. The licensure agreement and Georgia Power Website are additional resources. The Urban Agriculture Coordinator with Groundwork Atlanta will help farmers navigate these guidelines and grow!

- Access roads must be 16’ and will not be maintained by Georgia Power once there is a farmer.
- A 25’ setback must be maintained around all transmission towers.
- One vehicle per farmer or gardener is permitted to be parked on site during standard operating hours.

- Water meter and back-flow provided for pilot properties through an OoR grant.
- Farmers must pay for additional irrigation lines from the meter to field crops and water usage.
- Water lines must be 5’ inside the edge of the ROW.
- Farmers work with Groundwork Atlanta Urban Agriculture Coordinator to show irrigation lines on forms and plans.
- Wells are prohibited in the ROW.
- Farmer must gain approval from required agencies in charge of removal of water from creeks or streams.

- Maximum height of crops is 15’
- Height of a trellis is not to exceed 10’
- Small animal husbandry is permitted (so long as it complies with non-permanent structures etc)
- Apiary’s or bee hives on the ROW are not permitted, however pollinator habitat plants are.
- Additional information can be found here.

- Georgia Power will permit non-permanent structures (ex: greenhouse, storage shed, wash station) that are no larger than 12x12x 12 from ground level.
- These must be as close to the edge of the ROW as possible, at least 25’ from GP equipment.
- These cannot be permanently attached to a foundation, and must be movable.
- Farmers should work with GWA Urban Agriculture Coordinator utilize the locations where such structures have been approved in the site plan, or work with GWA to complete an encroachment application for new structures.

- Deer fences are permitted - maximum height is 12’
- Fences cannot be within the 25’ setback of GP equipment and towers.
- GWA Urban Agriculture Coordinator can assist with GP forms for fencing.

- Once the licensure is signed for a ROW, Georgia Power stops maintaining the site, and the farmer is responsible for site maintenance.
- GP will not pay for farm infrastructure or management (ex: raised beds to access roads), but will provide the land.
- Sustainable agriculture practices, compliant with Certified Naturally Grown practices, as well as the Bee City Resolution are required, composting etc.
- Community and educational events shall be permitted 9AM to 5PM.