Exposure to magnetic field directly beneath a 500 kV transmission line is similar to that of a hairdryer or a microwave at a distance of 6 inches. This figure represents magnetic fields 1.0 m above ground for a preliminary 500 kV line design.

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