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## ***MEDIA ADVISORY:*** ***Line crew gets into high wire act***

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Houses are springing up faster in the Tualatin Valley than mushrooms after a spring rain. All are hungry for electricity. Working more than 100 feet up in the air, construction crews for the Bonneville Power Administration are building a high-voltage power line to serve the valley and adjacent areas. You can see them in action Wednesday, Aug. 12, beginning at 10 a.m.

Meet in the parking lot of the Sherwood DEQ vehicle inspection station, 14962 S.W. Tualatin-Sherwood Road. The station is 20 minutes from downtown Portland. To get there, take I-5 south to the Tualatin-Sherwood exit and head west towards Sherwood. The DEQ test station is on the left just before you get to Sherwood.

### **Visuals**

Some crew members will be climbing towers to attach transmission line to the cross arms. Others will be on the ground rolling out 10-foot-diameter reels of line to give it the proper tension. Still others will ride carts out on the line above a wetland. Their job: To place diverters on the line so birds won't fly into it.

BPA is cooperating with Portland General Electric on the project.

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