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Bonneville Power Administration
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In reply refer to: **TERR**

Project: **People interested in the Keeler to Tillamook Transmission Line Rebuild Project**

Dear Property Owner:

After completing an extensive environmental review as required under the National Environmental Policy Act, the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) decided to rebuild the 58-mile Keeler to Tillamook, 115-kilovolt (kV) transmission line between Hillsboro and Tillamook in Washington and Tillamook counties, Oregon. **Construction will begin in April 2014 and will be completed by January 2015.**

BPA is undertaking this project to ensure public safety and to maintain the reliable transmission of electricity to the customers it serves. The amount of electricity transmitted along the line will remain the same (115kV). Most construction activities, upgrading existing roads, developing new roads, and removing and replacing existing structures, will occur within the existing right-of-way (ROW).

As part of the environmental review process, BPA committed to work with landowners to address any concerns associated with construction activities. Michels Power was recently selected as BPA's construction contractor for this project. Before construction activities begin in your area, a Michels Power "land liaison" will contact you to share the current work schedule.

You are invited to attend a "Meet the Contractor Meeting" on April 12, 2014 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. At the meeting you will have an opportunity to learn more about the rebuild project, learn when work will be occurring in your area, and share your comments or concerns with the contractor who will be doing the work. Representatives from BPA, Michels Power, and Tillamook People's Utility District (Tillamook PUD) will be on hand to answer any questions you may have.

Meet the Contractor Meeting
Saturday, April 12, 2014 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Oregon Dept. of Forestry Conference Room 5005 Third Street Tillamook, Oregon 97171

If there is sufficient interest, additional public meetings will be scheduled at other locations. Please find attached a map that describes where the transmission line is located and estimated times when crews will be working in your area. In most cases, electrical service to your home or business will not be interrupted by the high voltage transmission line rebuild work. Residents of the Narrows, just east of Tillamook, will experience short periods of electrical service interruption because Tillamook PUD uses the same transmission poles as BPA to provide residential service.

For more information about the project, visit: www.bpa.gov/goto/keelertillamook. For questions regarding activities on your property, or in your area please contact the BPA's Michels Power land liaison Erich Richter by cell phone at 360-464-0155, or at the office at 360-236-0472. For questions regarding BPA's roles and responsibilities in this project please contact Jill Nystrom at 503-230-5589 or by e-mail at jknystrom@bpa.gov, or toll free at 1-800-622-4519.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jill Nystrom

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Enclosure:

Keeler to Tillamook Outage Map