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Hello Ms. Winn,

I appreciate BPA sending me the line drawing for the transmission cable that crosses the Snake River below Ice Harbor Dam. The Columbia River Pilots are currently verifying all overhead clearance on the Columbia, Snake and Willamette rivers.

The process has been interesting in that in some cases what is listed from different mapping agencies as the official dimensions or heights of objects like dock, bridges and transmission lines differs from line drawings we get from the owners.

As a part of the confirmation process, if possible, I would like to FOIA request any line drawings, much like I received for the single transmission line of the Snake River for any BPA transmission lines that cross the Columbia River between Astoria and Richland WA, on the Snake River between its mouth at Pasco WA and Lewiston ID and the Willamette River between the mouth and Ross Island.

Also, if possible, if you could help with identifying the owners or operators of transmission lines that cross the rivers listed that are not property of BPA so that I may contact them for similar information.

Thank you for your help,

Chuck Patching
Columbia River Pilots

COLUMBIA RIVER CROSSINGS

PUGET ISLAND (Near Wauna)
DRIS-NASE-1 Between Mile & Structures 5/1 & 5/2

LONGVIEW/ALSTON (Only on the north side of Lord Island)
PAUL-ALSN-2 Between Mile & Structures 46/2 & 47/1
NAPV-ALSN-1 Between Mile & Structures 36/1 & 37/1
LONG-ALSN-2 Between Mile & Structures 2/5 & 3/1
LONG-ALSN-3 Between Mile & Structures 2/3 & 3/1

PORT OF VANCOUVER (on both sides of Hayden Island)
ROSS-RIVG-1 Between Mile & Structures 4/5 & 5/1
Between Mile & Structures 5/3 & 6/1

TROUTDALE (north side of Ione Reef)

NBON-TROU-1 Between Mile & Structures 27/3 & 27/4

NBON-TROU-2 Between Mile & Structures 27/3 & 27/4

BONNEVILLE (Over Navigation Lock Only) These two are confusing

BOPH-HORV-1 Between Mile & Structures 134/1 & 134/2 some question

WAUT-OSTD-1 Between Mile & Structures Not Sure

THE DALLES (Over Navigation Channel Oregon side of Rock Island)

BIGE-CHEN-2 Between Mile & Structures 6/6 & 6/7

BIGE-CHEN-1 Between Mile & Structures 6/5 & 6/6

CHEN-GOLD-1 Between Mile & Structures 1/9 & 2/1

DALLESPORT

BIGE-SPCK-1 Between Mile & Structures 2/2 & 2/3

BIGE-CHEN-2 Between Mile & Structures 2/2 & 2/3

BIGE-CHEN-1 Between Mile & Structures 2/2 & 2/3

WISHRAM

HRVL-BIGE-1 Between Mile & Structures 16/3 & 17/1

JOHN DAY

RKCR-JDAY-1 Between Mile & Structures 12/1 & 12/2

MCNY-JDAY-2 Between Mile & Structures 76/1 & 76/2

CROW BUTTE PARK

ASHE-SLAT-1 Between Mile & Structures 54/5 & 55/1

UMATILLA

MCNY-JDAY-2 Between Mile & Structures 2/2 & 2/3

MCNY-BADG-1 Between Mile & Structures 2/2 & 2/3

MCNY-HORS-1 Between Mile & Structures 2/2 & 2/3

FRANKLIN

FRAN-BADG-1 Between Mile & Structures 25/1 & 25/2

FRAN-HEDG-1 Between Mile & Structures 3/1 & 3/2

SNAKE RIVER CROSSINGS

BURBANK (South Side of Strawberry Island)

FRAN-WAWA-1 Between Mile & Structures 5/3 & 5/4

SACAJAWEA

ICPH-FRAN-1 Between Mile & Structures 1/1 & 1/2

ICPH-FRAN-2 Between Mile & Structures 1/0 & 1/2

ICPH-FRAN-3 Between Mile & Structures 1/1 & 1/2

LOWER MOMUMENTAL

LOMO-ASHE-1 Between Mile & Structures 1/4 & 2/1

LOMO-HANF-1 Between Mile & Structures 1/3 & 2/1

LMPH-LOMO-1 Between Mile & Structures 0/1 & 1/1

DEREWE ROAD (Lyons Ferry)

LOMO-LGIO-1 Between Mile & Structures 17/3 & 18/1

LOMO-LIGO-2 Between Mile & Structures 18/3 & 19/3

LITTLE GOOSE

LIGO-CEFE-2 Between Mile & Structures 1/2 & 1/3

LIGO-LOGT-1 Between Mile & Structures 1/3 & 1/4

LOWER GRANITE

LOGT-HTWA-1 Between Mile & Structures 3/3 & 4/1

CLARKSTON

TUCR-NLEW-1 Between Mile & Structures 31/9 & 32/1

WILLAMETTE RIVER CROSSINGS

HARBORTON

RIVG-KEEL-2 Between Mile & Structures 2/1 & 2/2

STJO-KEEL-2 Between Mile & Structures 2/1 & 1/12

From: [Chuck Patching](#)
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The subject of the request: Whether the subject of the requested records concerns, "the operations or activities of the government." **Yes. Shows the design and build of transmission line crossing the area rivers are safe and do not obstruct public use of the rivers.**

The informative value of the information to be disclosed: Whether the disclosure is, "likely to contribute," to an understanding of government operations or activities. **Yes. Having this information will clear up any misinformation as to the elevation of the transmission lines.**

The contribution to an understanding by the general public of the subject likely to result from disclosure, taking into account your ability and intent to disseminate the information to the public in a form that can further understanding of the subject matter. **We will put this information in the form of an electronic chart which we will share with other river users.**

The significance of the contribution to public understanding: Whether the disclosure is likely to contribute "significantly" to public understanding of government operations or activities. **Yes. Disclosing this information will raise awareness to the presence of electrically charged powered lines and will significantly increase public safety.**

The existence and magnitude of a commercial interest: Whether the requester has a commercial interest that would be furthered by the requested disclosure, and, if so. **Having the information will increase the awareness of mariners as to the location and elevation of the transmission lines to pilots of commercial vessels. As a result the level of safe navigation of commercial vessels near the various transmission lines.**

The primary interest in disclosure: Whether the magnitude of the identified commercial interest of the requester is significantly large, in comparison with the public interest in disclosure, that disclosure is, "primarily in the commercial interest of the requester." **The primary interest is to insure safe passage of river traffic and for large vessels to utilize available clearance when necessary in a safe manner.**

If my request for a waiver or reduction in fees is denied, I agree to pay up to \$ 200