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Women in Trades Career Fair - inspiring the next generation of women

Portland, Ore. – The Bonneville Power Administration and other industry leaders invite you to the Oregon Tradeswomen’s 25th annual Women in Trades Career Fair.

This high-energy event, with lots of outdoor activities, offers girls and women the chance to learn about career opportunities and apprenticeships in various trades. Visitors will get a taste of possible careers through interactive demonstrations and conversations with women who actually work in trades every day.

The fair will be held May 19-20 at the NECA-IBEW Electrical Training Center located at 16021 NE Airport Way, Portland, Oregon. The fair runs from 9 am to 3 pm both days.

This year’s event offers two ways to engage. Friday, May 19, is Girls School Day where students discover new career opportunities. Saturday, May 20, is Careers for Women Day. This event is aimed at adults who want to explore possible trade careers.

“The Women in Trades Career Fair gives us the chance to reach out to our future workforce and promote BPA and the Department of Energy as employers of choice,” said Janet Herrin, BPA’s chief operating officer. “In addition, this fabulous program demonstrates DOE’s commitment to a diverse and inclusive work environment.”

Tradeswomen at the fair will demonstrate the skills they use every day such as surveying, welding, security, electrical wiring and carpentry. Workshops and seminars on apprenticeships, recruitment and utility businesses will also be available.

The Women in Trades Career Fair is organized by Oregon Tradeswomen, Inc. and made possible through financial and volunteer support by other regional organizations, including BPA.

For more information visit the [Women in Trades Career Fair website](#), or contact Mary Ann Naylor of



Oregon Tradeswomen, Inc. at 503-335-8200 Ext. 26 (office) or 503.819.9201 (mobile).

About BPA

The Bonneville Power Administration, headquartered in Portland, Ore., is a nonprofit federal power marketer that sells wholesale electricity from 31 federal dams and one nuclear plant to 142 Northwest electric utilities, serving millions of consumers and businesses in Washington, Oregon, Idaho, western Montana and parts of California, Nevada, Utah and Wyoming. BPA delivers power via more than 15,000 circuit miles of lines and 261 substations to 475 transmission customers. In all, BPA markets about a third of the electricity consumed in the Northwest and operates three-quarters of the region's high-voltage transmission grid. BPA also funds one of the largest fish and wildlife programs in the world, and, with its partners, pursues cost-effective energy savings and operational solutions that help maintain affordable, reliable and carbon-free electric power for the Northwest. www.bpa.gov.

About Oregon Tradeswomen, Inc.

Oregon Tradeswomen, Inc., (OTI) is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting success for women in the trades through education, leadership, and mentorship. OTI was founded on the principles that women deserve and can attain economic self-sufficiency through pursuing careers in the building, mechanical, electrical, and utility trades while helping and encouraging the trades industry build up a diverse workforce. www.tradeswomen.net

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