



POWER DELIVERED

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CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES

Many of you are working long days and nights during harvest. Our crews also will be working during this time. Your safety and the safety of our crews are important to us. In this month's Safety Spotlight, we'll remind you to be aware of foundations and structures in fields.

This fall we'll continue pouring foundations, setting structures, and stringing conductor. Foundations take approximately 28 days to cure, then we install structures. Structures are staged along the route a few weeks prior to setting. We are using helicopters to aid us in stringing conductor.

To view the latest construction progress, visit www.BSSETransmissionLine.com/maps.

Please reach out to Vicki Severson at 218-739-8389 for more information on crop damage or questions about farming practices around the transmission line.

We want this newsletter to be helpful and informative for all project stakeholders. So, if you have ideas for future content—let us know!



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PHOTOS FROM THE FIELD



Foundations



Structures



Insulators



Stringing



SAFETY SPOTLIGHT

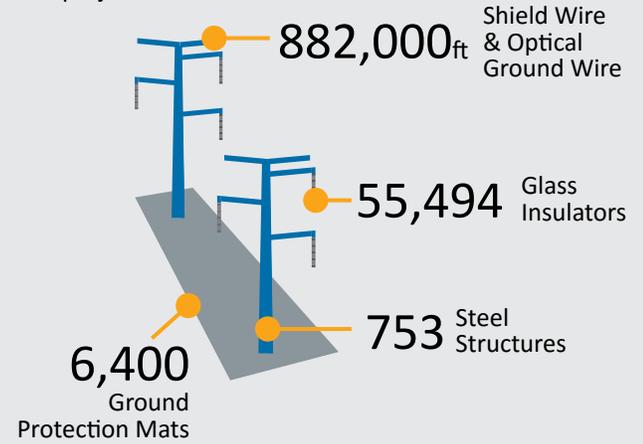
We've poured almost 70 percent of the concrete foundations. As farmers are in the fields during harvest, please pay special attention to the location of the foundations. Be aware of structures and maintain a safe distance from the right-of-way as it may be difficult to see the foundations over tall corn or at night. We want to avoid large farm equipment contact with foundations to minimize damage. Please notify your family, friends, and neighbors if they're assisting you during harvest.



A LOOK AT MATERIALS

Construction of a 163-mile 345-kV transmission line requires large amounts of materials. For example, we'll be installing over **five million feet** of conductor along the line! That's almost 15,000 football fields!

This project also includes:



SURVEY CREWS IN THE FIELD

You may notice our environmental survey crews and inspectors in the field during construction. Our project team follows the U.S. Fish and Wildlife eagle nesting restrictions to keep a safe distance from eagles during the nesting season. This year's nesting restrictions lifted on August 1. Our team continues to survey for migratory nesting birds throughout the right-of-way and are performing regular storm water protection surveys to observe water flow around the construction sites.



CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS MAP

See the latest construction progress at www.BSSETransmissionLine.com.

