CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES

As temperatures rise, road restrictions cease and our construction crews and equipment can return to the project area. Crews will continue where they left off in February with drilling foundations and setting structures, working their way west. To view the latest construction progress, visit www.BSSETransmissionLine.com/maps.

With planting season approaching, we addressed some questions you might have on page 2, including who to contact about crop damage and how to continue farming practices during construction. If you have additional questions or want more information, please call Vicki Severson at 218-770-1561.

In this month’s Safety Spotlight, we remind you about the importance of keeping your eyes on the road.

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

Sincerely,

The BSSE Project Team

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SAFETY SPOTLIGHT

It’s a bird! It’s a plane! It’s a helicopter stringing wire on the new structures! We’ll be working with professionals to string the conductors (wires) using helicopters. This kind of work will be both fascinating and distracting. We encourage you to:

- Focus on the road.
- Maintain a safe speed.
- Not take photos from a moving vehicle.
- Maintain a safe distance from crews.

We’ll post videos at www.BSSETransmissionLine.com.

FARMING DURING CONSTRUCTION

We appreciate your patience during the growing season as our construction crews access and work on private and public property. As we install foundations and set structures, we’ll be working on the ground, which may impact farming practices. We identified the following questions to address initial concerns.

Will you contact me before you access my property?
Yes. Our land agents will coordinate with our construction crew to notify you before accessing your property.

Will I be able to farm around the structures?
Yes. You still can farm within the right-of-way and in areas next to structures according to the Easement Agreement. We allowed enough distance between structures and the road right-of-way to ensure most landowners can use their largest farming equipment.

We'll accommodate any direct crop loss due to your inability to farm ground because of the location of our equipment.

While farming, please stay at least 15 feet from construction equipment.

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

CROP OR PROPERTY DAMAGE

Construction activity may damage your crop or property. We’re committed to working with you before, during, and after construction to ensure accurate compensation for damages. A land agent will work with you to assess damages, complete a damage settlement worksheet, and work through a fair settlement.

How do I report crop damage?
Contact Vicki Severson to report any damage. We’ll schedule an on-site meeting with you to discuss and jointly determine any crop or property damaged by construction activity.

How will I be compensated for crop damage?
We’ll compensate you based on the amount of land impacted and your calculated average yield. Contact Vicki Severson with questions or to discuss and review damages. We’ll mail your payment no later than 45 days after execution of the Settlement Agreement.

Land Agent Vicki Severson: VSeverson@otpco.com or 218-770-1561

CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS MAP