



**Department of Energy**  
Bonneville Power Administration  
28401 Covington Way SE  
Kent, WA 98042

TRANSMISSION SERVICES

June 15, 2016

In reply refer to: TERR-Covington  
BPA Case No. 20160268

Tract No.: R-MV-92-A-389A  
Line Name: Rocky Reach – Maple Valley No. 1  
(Operated as Rocky Reach – Maple Valley No. 1)  
ADNO: 8236  
Structure: 92/4 to 93/5

Mr. P. Shaun O'Connor  
902 SE North Bend Way  
North Bend, WA 98045

Mr. O'Connor:

Thank you for submitting information on your proposed Bandera Timber Sale that impacts the Bonneville Power Administration's (BPA) Rocky Reach – Maple Valley transmission corridor. The portion of this sale that impacts our facilities is located in the N $\frac{1}{2}$  S $\frac{1}{2}$  and SE $\frac{1}{4}$  NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 15, and the NE $\frac{1}{4}$  SE  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 16, Township 22 North, Range 10 East, Willamette Meridian, King County, Washington. Upon review of the information provided **BPA requests that a copy of this notice letter is included in the timber sale contract** and asks that the following considerations are taken into account prior to and during the proposed activities:

1. BPA requires that any contractor or logging operator participate in a safety meeting between BPA Transmission Line Maintenance (TLM) Representative, BPA Realty Office Representative and supervisory personnel representing the contractor or logging operator. This meeting will specifically address working under and around energized high-voltage transmission lines before any activity on the right-of-way begins. **Please contact BPA's Realty Specialist, Charlene Belt, at 503-230-5518, at least 30 days prior to the commencement of any activity.**
2. BPA must review any logging and right-of-way activity plans in advance.

3. BPA requires that any contractor or logging operator obtain and provide BPA with a Certificate of Insurance for coverage in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 showing BPA as the proposed insured; this coverage is necessary to insure against electrical outages and guarantee repair of damages to the easement area. Proof of insurance coverage must be provided to BPA prior to any activity related to this timber sale contract. The Certificate of Insurance shall be renewed, if set to expire, for a period of at least 6 months beyond the termination of the timber sale contract and activity. Certificate of Insurance should reference Case #20160268.
4. Any and all equipment shall maintain a minimum distance of 15 feet between the equipment and transmission line conductors at all times. Do not measure this with measuring tape, pole, or other physical means. If there is the possibility that any equipment can encroach on this distance, then a safety watcher will be required.
5. The logging haul road shall maintain a minimum clearance of 50 feet from any transmission line structures. If any portion of the haul road may not meet this clearance standard; guard devices such as barriers, guardrails, or posts must be installed for protection of BPA structures. **BPA must review and approve any plans for these protective barriers in advance of their use.**
6. BPA assumes no responsibility for injury to persons or property damage.
7. Parking on the right-of-way is prohibited
8. Access to BPA transmission line system by BPA and/or its contractors shall not be interfered with or obstructed at any time.
9. Landings on the right-of way are prohibited. Decking, stacking, or storage of logs on the right-of-way is prohibited.
10. Storage of flammable materials or refueling of vehicles or equipment within the right-of-way is prohibited.
11. BPA recommends that a speed limit of 15 mph be placed on all logging trucks while in operation within the BPA right-of-way.
12. BPA recommends that, during the hauling of logs and/or equipment on the right-of-way, the contractor or logging operator employ a dedicated safety watcher to ensure the safety of workers and uninterrupted operation of the transmission line. **Please contact BPA for a current list of BPA approved Safety Watchers.**

13. Nuisance shocks are common on high voltage transmission line rights-of-way. It is strongly advised that any contractor or logging operator ground vehicles and equipment with a drag chain.
14. BPA right-of way and access roads shall be returned to their original condition or better upon conclusion of any activity related to the timber sale contract. Any damage to BPA property resulting from the proposed uses shall be repaired at the applicant's expense.

If you have any questions or concerns about this notice or the conditions listed above, please notify this BPA Realty Office and reference Case Number 20160268. You may direct any communication to Bonneville Power Administration, Real Estate Field Services (TERR/Covington) 28401 Covington Way, Kent, WA 98042, or telephone Charlene R. Belt at 503-230-5518, or by email at [crbelt@bpa.gov](mailto:crbelt@bpa.gov).

Sincerely,



Charlene R. Belt  
Realty Specialist