KIRKWOOD MEADOWS
PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

## *Construction Begins on the Kirkwood Meadows Power Line Reliability Project*

On March 31, 2014, the Kirkwood Meadows Public Utility District will begin the final season of construction on the underground portion of a power line that will connect the Kirkwood Community and Ski Resort to the regional electric grid. In 2013, approximately 16 miles of the total 25 miles of buried line extending from Kirkwood to the south side of Bear River Reservoir in Amador County was constructed. The remaining nine miles will be constructed this season. Upon completion, the buried power line will be located within existing Forest Service roads, Amador County roads, and portions of SR 88. At the south side of Bear River Reservoir, the power line will be constructed as an overhead line within an existing overhead line corridor to Salt Springs Reservoir where it will connect to existing PG&E lines.

On March 31, 2014, construction activities will begin on Bear River Road while the road is still closed to public access. Access to recreational cabins will be maintained although access will be limited along Bear River Road between 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on weekdays. Access to the cabins via Ellis Road will not be impacted by construction activities. Construction will continue on Bear River Road through May 2014 and then move to segments within the SR 88 right-of-way, continuing through August 31, 2014. Construction within the SR 88 right-of-way will result in traffic delays of up to 20 minutes. Access to developed recreational sites and private property will be maintained at all times.

Construction activities will occur daily between the hours of 7:00 am and 7:00 pm Monday through Friday. No construction will occur on weekends or holidays.

Check back here or with the Amador Ranger District Office for updates on construction activities and locations.

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| March 24, 2014: | Contractor mobilization and BMP installations |
| March 31, 2014: | Start of construction - Bear River Road (road closed to general public) |
| May 27, 2014: | Estimated start of construction – SR 88 at Bear River Road moving eastward – temporary lane closures |
| August 31, 2014: | Completion of construction of underground power line |

Information will be updated on this website as the project proceeds.

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