

January 2018

Re: State highway pole relocation program

state highway **POLE RELOCATION PROGRAM** ▶▶▶

Puget Sound Energy is working to improve public safety and electric reliability by relocating power poles farther away from state roadways. This effort was established in 2013 as part of Washington State’s Strategic Highway Safety Plan, which focuses on decreasing traffic injuries and fatalities.

The Washington State Department of Transportation has established the highway “control zone”—an area adjacent to the roadway that should be free of obstructions to decrease the likelihood of cars coming into contact with objects in the area.



Highway 534 project update

Work is progressing to relocate several poles and replace the aging copper wire with tree wire along Highway 534.

Installation of tree wire has contributed to a 70 percent reduction in power outages resulting from tree branches across our system. Please see below for project details.

- Who:** Electric crews from PSE and Potelco, vegetation crews from Asplundh
- What:** Relocating utility poles and replacing the current overhead electric wire with tree wire
- When:** Work has begun and will continue through March 2018
- Project duration could vary based on weather and crew availability
 - Work hours are typically Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Where:** Highway 534, from Highway 9 west to I-5

What you can expect

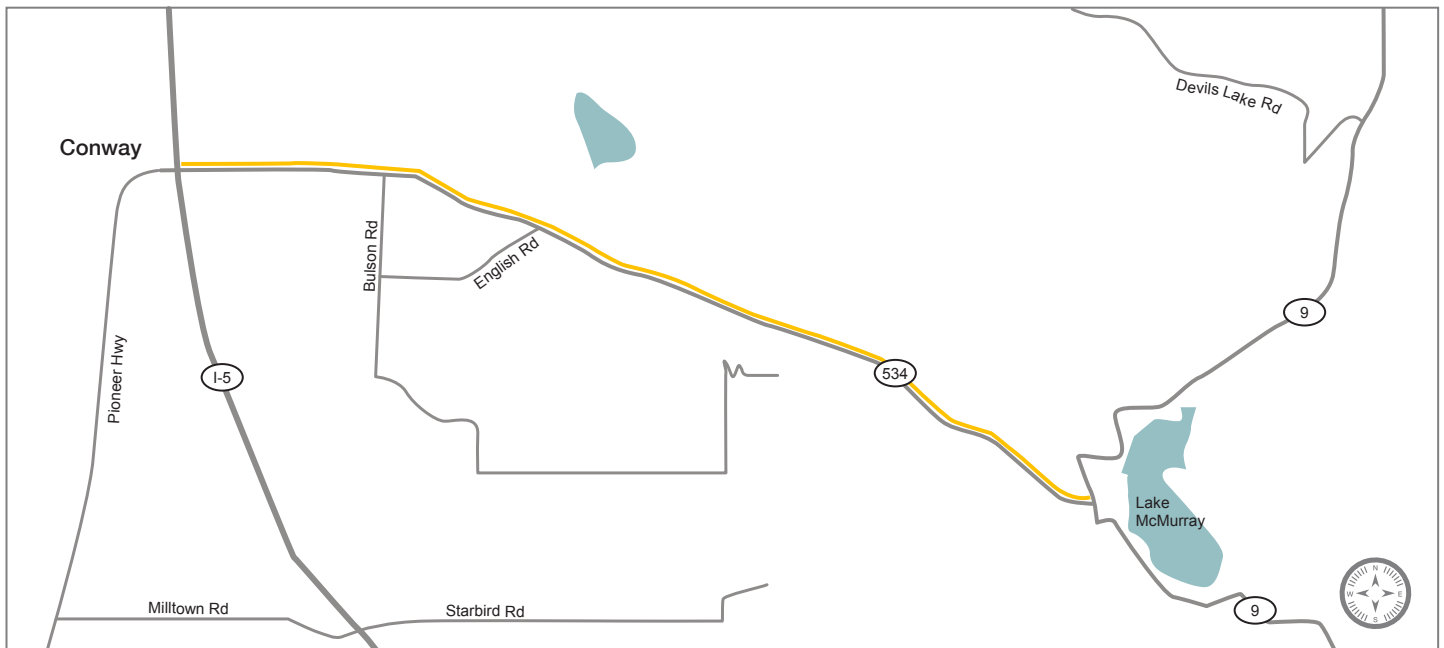
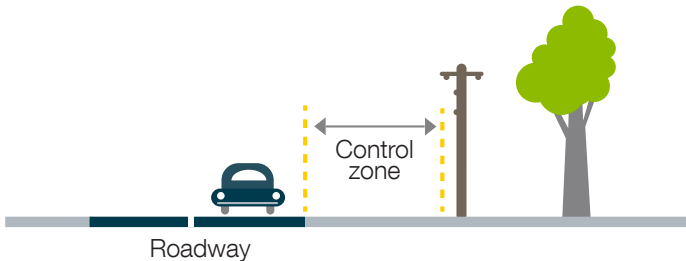
- Tree and brush clearing to maintain safety clearances along the project route.
- Signs and traffic control flaggers will guide vehicles SAFELY through the work zone.
- **Some customers may experience a temporary interruption of power during this time. We will notify those customers directly impacted ahead of time.**
- Our crews will do their best to reduce impacts from this work to nearby neighbors.

For more information on PSE's State Highway Pole Relocation and Safety Improvement Program, please visit pse.com/controlzone. For more information on the state's Strategic Highway Safety Plan—Target Zero—please visit targetzero.com.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this project, please feel free to contact me anytime.

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— Power pole relocation zone