

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 is part of Washington State's Strategic Highway Safety Plan, established in 2013, which focuses on decreasing traffic fatalities and injuries.

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 vehicles coming into contact with objects in the area.



Highway 544

In the next few weeks, we will begin work to relocate poles along Highway 544. This project will also replace the aging overhead copper wire with tree wire. Installation of tree wire has contributed to a 70 percent reduction in power outages resulting from fallen 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: Starting August through Summer 2019

- Project duration could vary based on weather and crew assignments
- Work hours are typically Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Where: Highway 544, heading east from Highway 539 to Sable Dr.

What you can expect

- Tree and brush clearing to maintain safety clearances along the project route.
- Partial road closures will sometimes be required. Traffic control flaggers will be on-site at all times to direct traffic safely through work zones.
- **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 always do their best to reduce impacts from this work to the local community.

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.

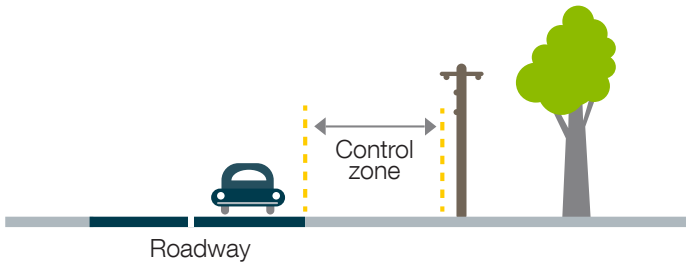
If you have any questions or concerns **regarding this project**, please feel free to contact me anytime.

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— Power pole relocation zone