



The Klickitat PUD line crew works 24/7, 365 days a year to keep the power flowing. National Lineworker Appreciation Day is April 18.

# Thank You, Lineworkers

April 18 is National Lineworker Appreciation Day. With the unanimous passage of Senate Resolution 95 in 2013, the U.S. Senate created the day following the heroic response to Hurricane Sandy in 2012.

After the hurricane, approximately 67,000 of the nation's estimated 115,000 lineworkers responded to help repair damages inflicted to the region's power infrastructure.

Senate Resolution 95 honors "the contributions of these brave men and women who protect public safety," noting that lineworkers are often first responders during storms and other catastrophic events, "working to make the scene safe for other public safety heroes."

Lineworkers "put their lives on the line every day with little recognition from the community regarding the danger of their work," says the resolution, which was co-sponsored by Georgia Sen. Johnny Isakson

and Colorado Sen. Michael Bennet.

Klickitat PUD recognizes lineworkers as the backbone of our utility. Our lineworkers often go to work in hazardous conditions to build and maintain the power supply to our customers 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Without the quality maintenance and system improvement work performed by lineworkers, KPUD would not reach the 99% reliability goal we strive to meet.

### Klickitat PUD Stats

2 Line crews.  
18 communities.  
1,966 miles of distribution line  
206 miles of transmission line.  
13,491 customers.

Please join KPUD in showing appreciation for our local lineworkers, and when you see them working remember to #thankalineman. ■

### Why We Celebrate National Lineworker Appreciation Day

- ▶ **They keep the power running.** Think about going without power for just one day. Lineworkers work behind (or, actually above) the scene so we can keep our lives moving.
- ▶ **A risky occupation.** Dealing with high voltage electrical wires at great heights is dangerous. Lineworkers are brave enough to get the job done.
- ▶ **They give up family time for us.** They work tirelessly, often during odd hours, away from their families to address electrical problems.