



# Tahoe Donner Association Board Meeting TDPUD Update

July 25, 2025





#### Agenda:

- About TDPUD
- Strategic Plan, Initiatives, Organization
- 2025 Electric Utility Projects
- 2025 Water Utility Projects
- Energy and Water Conservation
- Wildfire Season





#### **Truckee Donner PUD:**

- Established in 1927
- Electric and Water Utility
  - Serving greater Truckee area
- ~16,00 customers, ~88 % residential
- Locally elected Board of Directors
  - Not-for-profit, cost-of-service based
- Mountainous Environment (6,000-8,500')
  - Severe winter storms and high wildfire threat





#### **TDPUD Electric Utility**

- Transmission Dependent Utility
- Balancing affordability, reliability, and carbonfree
- Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS)
  - ~60% 2024
  - Working to secure carbon-free resources
- Supporting electrification
- Responding to Catastrophic Wildfire
  - Board adopted SB 901 Wildfire Mitigation Plan
- Maintaining critical infrastructure, responding to outages, and supporting emergency response
  - December 2021 and winter 2022/2023 storms





#### **TDPUD Water Utility**

- ~14,500 Service Connections
- 100% Groundwater Sourced
  - Martis Valley Groundwater Basin
- 11 Wells
- 43 Pressure Zones
- 230+ Miles of Pipe
- Emergency Back-up Generators





#### **TDPUD Strategic Plan:**

- Ties to Mission and Values
- 5 Overarching Goals
  - Manage for financial stability and resiliency
  - Environmental Stewardship
  - Engage with our customers and communities
  - Modernize the utility and add value
  - Develop an inclusive culture
- 4 Board Strategic Initiatives
  - Community Broadband
  - Service Reliability and Safety
  - Net-Carbon Reduction
  - Local Watershed Stewardship
- Drives Organizational Priorities and Budget





#### **Emergency Response Big and Small**

- Understanding Emergency Operation Centers (EOCs) and Incident Command is important
- For utilities, incidents happen every day
  - "Practice like you play"
- Connecting the daily responses to the larger plans, protocols, and execution helps emergency preparedness





#### **Electric Utility Projects 2025:**

- Wildfire Mitigation
  - Overhead system hardening
  - Vegetation management
  - Ductile iron poles, fiberglass/composite crossarms, and covered conductor
  - Preemptive Power Shutoff
- Martis Valley Substation Rebuild
  - Manage for financial stability and resiliency
  - Environmental Stewardship
  - Engage with our customers and communities
  - Modernize the utility and add value
  - Develop an inclusive culture
- SCADA Fiber Optics Installations





#### **Northwoods Pilot Project:**

- Ductile iron poles, fiberglass/composite crossarms, and covered conductor
- Benefits Include
  - Significant arc reduction
  - Poles are not flammable
  - Stronger poles and crossarms
  - Outage reduction
  - Protects wildlife





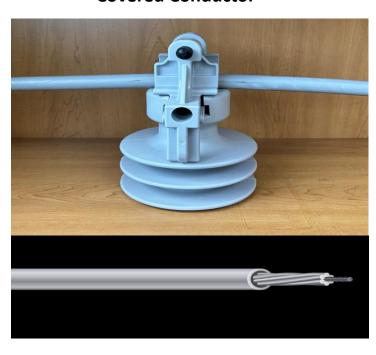


#### **Electric Engineering and Operations**

**Bare Conductor** 



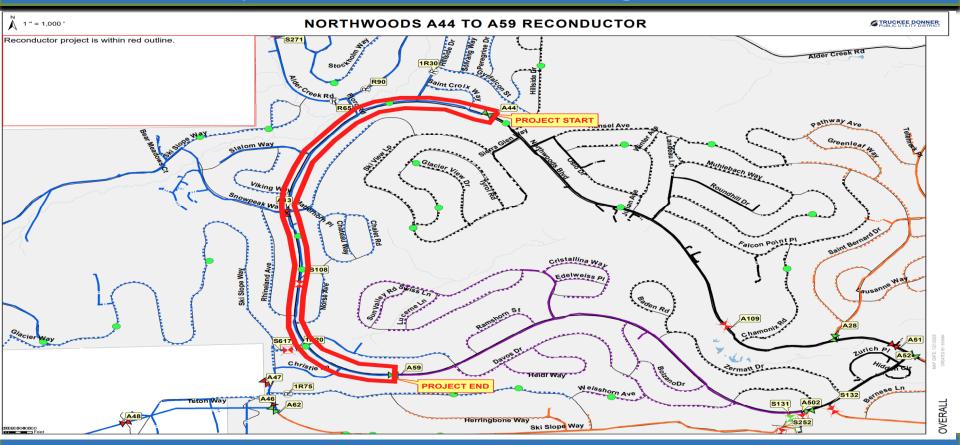
#### **Covered Conductor**



# **Bare vs Covered Conductor**



#### **System Wildfire Hardening - 2025**









#### **Preemptive Power Shutoff:**

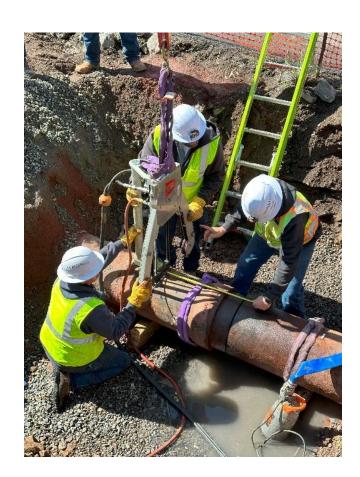
- Purpose and Scope
  - Public safety first
  - Defined triggers
  - Controlled and coordinated
- Key Objectives
  - Protect life and property
  - Mitigate liability exposure
  - Ensure service continuity
  - Support emergency response
  - Inform and prepare the community
- Targeting Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> for full Implementation
  - CloudFire consulting services





#### **Water Utility Projects 2025:**

- Northwoods Pipeline Replacement Projects
  - Nearly completed
- Ski-Run Tank Replacement
  - Increased tank capacity from 100,000 to 214,000 gallons
- Ski Bowl Condos
  - Postponed to 2026 to minimize impacts to customers and TDA





**Public Utility District** 



District Pipeline Replacement - 2024 Project Map



Ski-Run Tank Replacement







#### Wildfire Season 2025:

- Responding to NV Energy wildfire safety power outages
  - Public Safety Outage Management (PSOM)
  - New safety deenergization for existing wildfire encroachment
  - Visit tdpud.org/wildfire and tdpud.org/PSOM
  - Do we have updated customer contact info for Outage Management System notifications?
    - Commercial customer e-mails (AP@...)
  - PSOM notifications 48-24 hours and 12-4 hours
  - Public Safety Partner meetings and notifications





#### **Energy and Water Conservation:**

- Visit <u>www.tdpud.org/waystosave</u>
- California Conservation as a Way of Life Regulation
  - Indoor, Outdoor, and Water Loss
  - Took effect January 1, 2025, compliance starts January 1, 2027
  - TDPUD conservation garden





Questions?
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