

DG units to energize Tuttle Substation; WFEC crews focus on widespread issues

Repair efforts are now in the 10th day across Western Farmers Electric Cooperative's (WFEC) service territory, with progress continuing in the areas most impacted during last week's ice storm.

Distributed generation (DG) units are set to be energized around noon today at the Tuttle Substation, which will help energize that site while transmission repairs continue. This step will also allow Oklahoma Electric Cooperative (OEC) to return service to their members in this area, some of which has also been backedf to help in returning service to this heavily damaged area.

Contractors are also continuing their reconstruction efforts along the 19-mile stretch of downed 138 kilovolt line, located on both sides of Tuttle. This stretch of line consists of some 142 structures, including both single transmission poles and H-structures.

WFEC crews are working on several other lines across the service area that have damage, including, broken crossarms, broken static lines and conductor, plus broken structures that need to be replaced. Several lines are still sectionalized across WFEC's service territory, while these repairs are being made. Crews completed multiple projects on Monday and Tuesday, with several others to be completed by the end of the week.



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WFEC crews are now working on the following projects, with hopes of being finished by the end of the week or earlier:

- Gotebo to Washita - One structure down between Gotebo and Mt. View will be changed out today.
- Anadarko to Fletcher - A broken pole has been located between Cyril and Fletcher, with plans to make repairs Thursday. A broken fiber is located between Cyril and Anadarko, but, this line is energized. This static is actually between Fletcher and Rush Springs and is an optical ground wire (OPGW). Repairs are being evaluated.
- Washita to PSO Clinton - The line is sectionalized between Hydro and Sickles. Crews are working on this line, with supplies expected to arrive today. Plans are to have this line closed back in by late Friday, if all goes well.
- Anadarko to Payne to PSO Cornville - Four or five structures are damaged between Sequoyah and Cornville junction. Crews are working on rebuilding or repairing the structures along this line, with completion anticipated by Friday, pending any further damage being found.

Repairs will be made as soon as crews are available to the projects listed below, pending any other damage being found:

- Watonga to El Reno to Anadarko - A Minco Wind Farm line is down on OG&E Red Corn tap between Cogar and El Reno junction. Waiting on OG&E for completion.
- Paoli to Stonewall - A switch is damaged at Oil Center, with four damaged structures between Oil Center and Latta. It will be a while before repairs are finalized for this line.
- Russell to West Texas Utilities (WTU) Lake Pauline - This line is sectionalized between Eldorado and WTU Lake Pauline. No report of damage at this time, so crews or plane will need to check this line.
- Dover to Twin Lakes - A broken static line has been located between Twin Lakes and Twin Lakes Junction. The line is energized, with repairs planned for later.