



Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association (Tri-State), a rural utility cooperative, will be conducting vegetation management activities along several 115kV transmission line corridors in the Black Forest Fire Protection District in El Paso County scheduled to begin in October 2026.

These transmission lines were identified through Tri-State's Wildfire Risk Assessment as a priority for vegetation management. Managing vegetation within and adjacent to transmission line facilities helps reduce the likelihood of outages, reduces the risk of ignition from trees growing into the energized wires, and removal of hazard trees adjacent to the ROW (where permitted), can help reduce risk of trees falling into the transmission line. Vegetation management can also increase the resiliency of the line to wildfire. This project supports the continued safe operation of critical electric infrastructure.

Work will occur primarily within existing transmission line rights-of-way traversing forested areas, rural properties, and residential developments throughout the Black Forest area. When granted authorization, Tri-State will be removing hazard trees adjacent to the rights-of-way that pose a threat to the safe operation of the lines.

ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE

Schedule may vary based on weather, field conditions, and access requirements.

Project Mobilization	Oct 5 - Oct 30, 2026
Vegetation Management Activities	Oct 2026 - Feb 2027
Debris Removal & Site Restoration	Nov 2026 - Feb 2027
Final Inspections & Closeout	Feb 2027

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PROJECT ACTIVITIES

Work will be performed with the goal of minimizing impacts to private lands and will be conducted in accordance with utility vegetation management standards and in conformance with environmental best practices. Work will include:

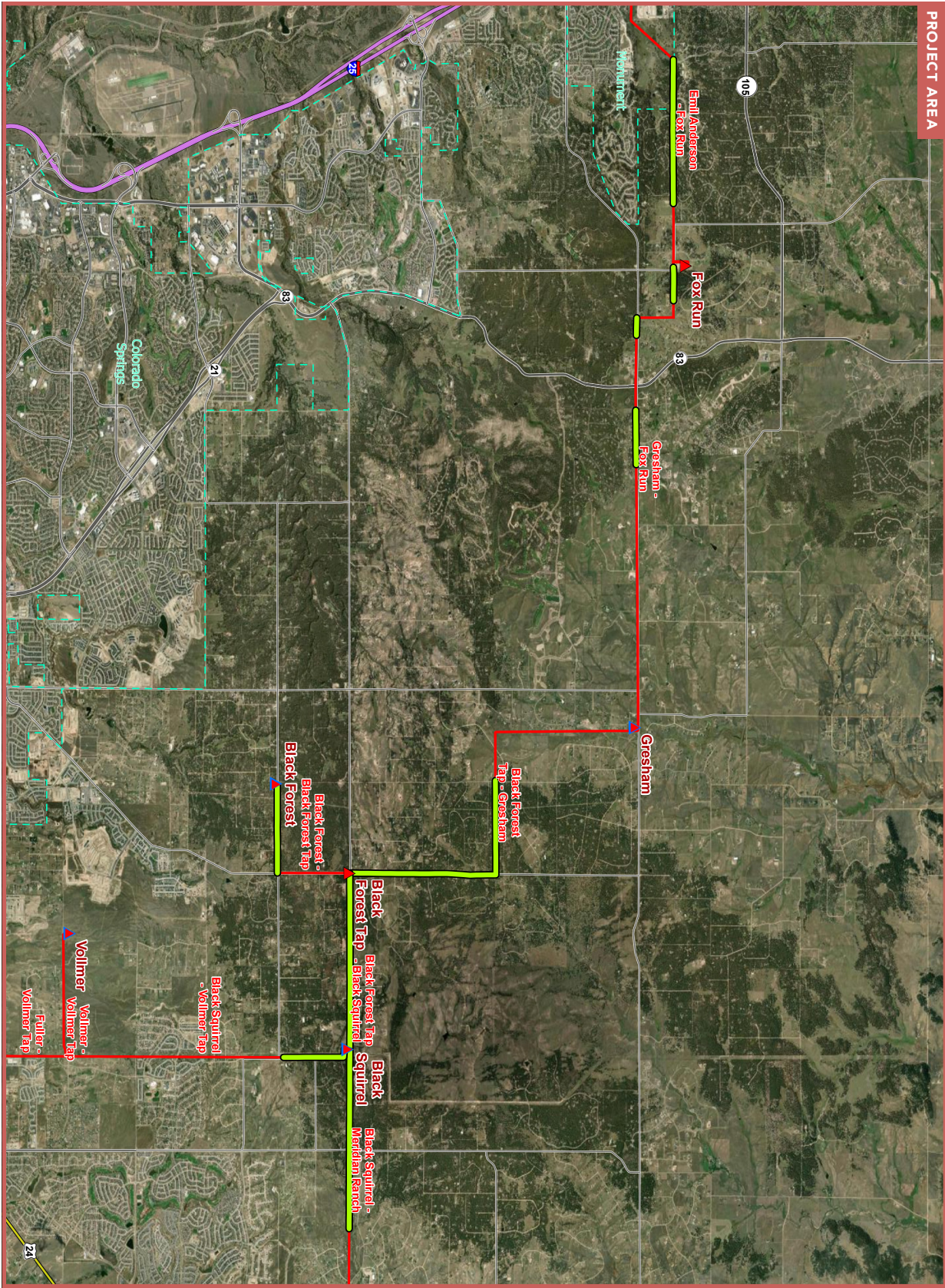
- Removal of incompatible trees and woody vegetation within transmission line rights-of-way.
- Material will be removed from the ROW and processed off-site.
- Reduction of fuel loads that could contribute to wildfire spread.
- Identification and removal of hazard trees that may fall into or contact transmission lines.
- Traffic control will be implemented to ensure the safety of residents during operations.

COMMUNITY BENEFITS

- Enhance reliability of the regional electric transmission system.
- Reduce the risk of vegetation-related power interruptions.
- Improve access for maintenance and emergency response.
- Support wildfire mitigation efforts in the Black Forest area.
- Help protect critical electric infrastructure that serves Tri-State's member cooperative.



PROJECT AREA



Tri-State Generation and
Black Forest Vegetation
Management

Transmission Station

- Station - Tri-State
- Station - Tri-State/Member

Transmission Line - Tri-State

Major Roads

- Interstate Highway
- U.S. Highway
- State Route
- Other Major Road

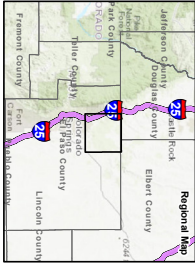
Treatment Areas

City Boundary



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PROJECT AREA

Work will occur along portions of the following: transmission lines:

- Black Forest Tap - Gresham 115kV Line
- Black Forest Tap - Black Squirrel 115kV Line
- Emil Anderson - Fox Run 115kV Line
- Black Forest - Black Forest Tap 115kV Line
- Fox Run - Gresham 115kV Line
- Black Squirrel - Meridian Ranch 115kV Line
- Black Squirrel - Vollmer Tap 115kV Line