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NEWS

LPEA alerts community of aerial inspection of transmission lines *Helicopter flight in Durango/Animas Valley area scheduled to take place Nov. 24*

DURANGO, Colo. – La Plata Electric Association (LPEA) will be conducting a helicopter flyover/aerial inspection of LPEA’s transmission assets in the Animas Valley and the City of Durango, on Tuesday, Nov. 24, weather permitting. The effort is designed as part of LPEA’s on-going maintenance program to ensure equipment is in good repair.

“It’s an efficient way to inspect the lines that are in rugged and forested areas,” said Justin Talbot, LPEA manager of operations. “We hope to spot any potential issues before we go into winter.”

The helicopter inspection is anticipated to run 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and the flight will follow the large transmission lines through the City of Durango, north through the Animas Valley to the La Plata County border near Cascade.

“Essentially we want to alert the community of the aerial inspection,” said Talbot. “We have such little air traffic around here, especially in the Animas Valley, that we know people do notice when something is out of the ordinary.”

For further information, contact LPEA at 970.247.5786.

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