

AUSTIN ENERGY

Line Clearance Maintenance and
Power Line Ignition Prevention
Efforts





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Transmission Lines

- Austin Energy conducts ground patrols on every transmission line at least once a year to ID any vegetation or line issues.
- Austin Energy Forestry performs line clearance maintenance on a 4 year cycle on every transmission line to maintain safe clearances
- Transmission clearance standards are 20 to 25 feet of minimum clearance from trees and removal of all hazard trees.

Transmission Maintenance

- Jan-Feb. 2012 - Vegetation management and line clearance completed on all Austin Energy transmission circuits in the Jester Estates and Lakewood area, from Loop 360 to RM 620, and Great Hills subdivision to RM 2222.

Distribution Lines

- Residential distribution lines are underground in Jester Estates and Lakewood communities.
- Underground lines are fed by overhead lines that are patrolled regularly and maintained every 4 to 6 years.
- Clearance standards require the removal of hazardous trees and all overhanging limbs and adequate clearance distance.









- Austin Energy takes our responsibility seriously to maintain a safe and reliable system.
- We ask for everyone's cooperation to work with us to maintain safe line clearances from encroaching trees.



Thank you for your Time

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