Storm knocks out power to more than 1600 NPPD customers

(KLZA)-- More than 1,600 Pawnee County residents lost power during storms that moved through the area Tuesday evening.

Nebraska Public Power District spokesman Mark Becker reported six sub-transmission poles being broken during the wind storm. The location is approximately one-and-a-half miles south of Table Rock and repairs are being made.

As of 10:00 A.M. Wednesday, there were just two customers in the area that did not have power. NPPD is asking the public to please stay away from the area so crews can work safely and to be able to practice social distancing.

The outage began Tuesday night at 7:23 P.M. when high winds came through and a total of 1,610 customers in several communities were affected. 722 NPPD customers were restored by 8:22 P.M. and another 886 by 8:59 P.M.

The pictures of the damage were provided by Dennis Schaardt.

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