

Highway 73 near Verdon NE reopened

(KLZA)-- The Richardson County Sheriff's Department reports Highway 73 just west of Verdon has reopened to traffic following a closure earlier Tuesday.

During a road construction project an excavator came in contact with a power pole, knocking it over and causing the power line to fall across Highway 73.

Traffic was detoured around the site for several hours. The line coming down was the cause of a loss of power from Omaha Public Power District to the area including Falls City.

Falls City was able to generate it's own power after a short outage.

The Sheriff's Department reminds travelers that there is still construction underway on Highway 73 and asks everyone to be cautious.

The Sheriff's Office also thanked OPPD for their quick response to the situation and to the Verdon Fire Department for assisting with traffic control.

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