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### **Construction Update: Underwater Inspection of Boone Dam Yields “Thumbs Up”**

The Boone Dam tailrace filter berm is “A-OK” according to TVA divers completing their quarterly underwater inspection last week. Data showed normal conditions on the right bank of the area just downstream of the powerhouse. Outfitted with cameras and microphones, these industrial “frogmen” provide real-time underwater views directly to dam safety experts on the shore. In the top photo on the left the dive team’s safety crew monitors the lines that supply air and warm water to ensure divers are safe and comfortable in the frigid waters. At the bottom, engineers use computers to monitor the real-time data collected by the divers.

### **Community News: TVA’s Tri-Cities Staff Supports Mobile Food Pantries**

Several dozen TVA team members (including our Gray office in Tri-Cities) recently spent two days unpacking and distributing food to more than 623 residents near Whitesburg, TN, in conjunction with TVA’s mobile food pantry initiative. More than 13,762 pounds of food benefiting 200 families were distributed over the weekend event. The project is one component of TVA’s valley wide Community Relations initiative with Second Harvest Food Bank/Feeding America.



### **We are Moving to Monthly!**

To provide you with more in-depth information on the ongoing Boone Dam repair project, we are taking *The Boone Dam Update* to a larger, monthly format. Your next issue will be on September 6 and will continue on the first Tuesday of each month. In between issues, we’ll also keep you informed through the [Boone website](#), @BooneRepair Twitter feed and, if needed, special newsletter editions. You can always e-mail us questions at [boonelake@tva.gov](mailto:boonelake@tva.gov), or stop by the TVA Community Relations trailer at the intersection of Boone Dam and Minga Roads.

### **How to Receive Regular Updates**

Beginning Sept 6, “*The Boone Dam Update*” will be published monthly to help keep TVA’s stakeholders informed on the activities associated with repairing the earthen embankment at Boone Dam. These updates and other information are available at TVA’s website: [Boone Repair](#) and via email distribution.

If you’d like to be included on the Boone Update email distribution list, please visit [Boone Repair](#) and submit your email address where you see “Sign up below to get weekly updates via email.”

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