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More than 100 team members are currently working 24 hours per day/five days per week with additional shifts on most Saturdays. The goal remains to repair Boone Dam as quickly as possible while maintaining the safety of workers and the public.

### **Project Update: More than 70 drill holes completed**

To the casual observer, it may not seem like much is happening at Boone Dam, but this is a case where looks are definitely deceiving. Unlike many construction projects of this magnitude, the majority of the action at Boone is occurring underground. On average, the project team is drilling four holes each day on top of the earthen embankment, with more than 70 completed so far in the exploratory drilling and grouting process. Some of these holes are in excess of 300 feet deep, and all must be carefully managed to ensure the continued stability of the embankment. Details from video cameras and other sensors in the drill holes feed information back to engineers onsite in real time, allowing us to “fine tune” the drilling activity on a constant basis.

### **Community Update: Project Manager Sam Vinson Provides Update to State Conference, Rotarians**

Project Manager Sam Vinson spoke at two local venues last week, providing audiences with the latest updates on the Boone repair project. Sam addressed about 50 environmental, health and safety professionals at the 15<sup>th</sup> annual Tennessee Environmental Conference. He also spoke to the Bristol Rotary Club. At both events, Sam noted that the project remains on schedule to meet its 5-7 year completion schedule.



Project Manager Sam Vinson addresses Tennessee Environmental Conference attendees.

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

“*The Boone Dam Weekly Update*” is published each week 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.

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