



Chimney Rock News



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Manager Memos -by Curtis Kayton

System status: Ready!

Every April we wrap up PLANNED winter and spring projects, so your electric system is ready for summer. When spring storms impose an UN-PLANNED 300-pole changeout job we scramble to make everything ready for summer!

What happens after the storm is over? This is a great question, and the answer is, a lot!

Now the process begins to account for all costs associated with the storm and documenting where the broken poles were replaced, wire re-sagged, and clean-up occurs.

The cost of this storm to make temporary repairs will likely top \$800,000 and now we are estimating the permanent repairs to restore the system to pre-storm condition as best as possible.

Governor Pillen did file a disaster declaration for this storm so that we can be eligible for disaster relief if the President agrees. I was able to thank him personally for this last week in Norfolk, and he assured me he would do all he could to support public power in Nebraska.

We have submitted estimated costs to our local emergency management officials and are waiting to hear back on this Presidential declaration.

On a side note, we have also been asked “doesn’t the district have insurance for this?”

The answer is no. We can ensure our equipment fleet, substations, employees, buildings, and other assets but our poles and wires are uninsurable.

If the President does not authorize FEMA aid for CRPPD the District will consider other options.

I remain optimistic that a Presidential declaration will be authorized, and we will receive the aid we will need to recover from this storm. We will communicate status updates when they come.

As always, feel free to call or stop in with any questions.

Energy Efficiency Credits

Energy Efficiency Credits are available on electric motors, electric heating, electric hot water heaters, and LED lights. Must be new installations only. and submitted within 90 days.

Certain standards of efficiency must be met to qualify depending on the type of electric equipment installed.

Some of the credits include:

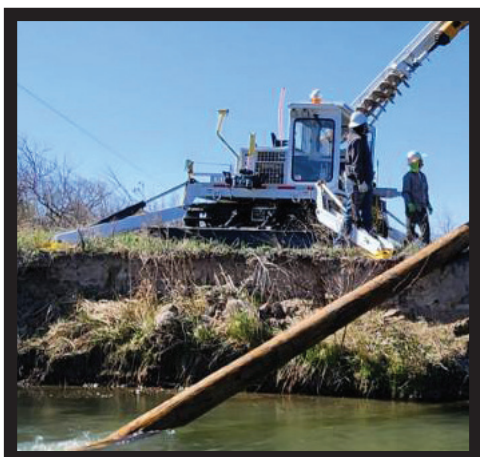
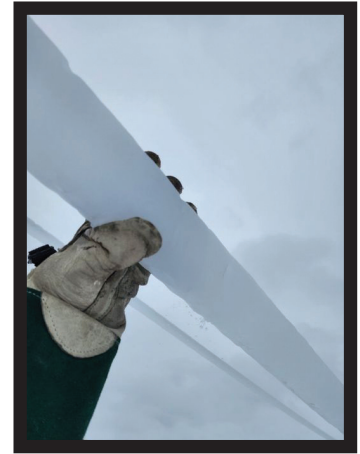
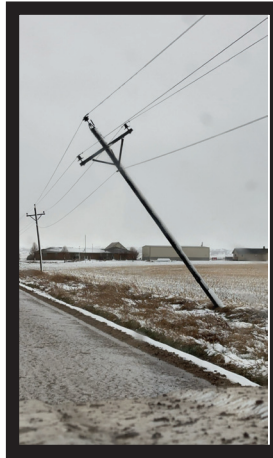
- *Electric water heaters - new construction or conversion from gas to electric
- *Heat pumps-\$150-\$500/ton
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- *Electric motors 10-500 hp \$8/hp
- *Old refrig and freezer going to be recycled
- *Clothes Dryers - \$30-\$90
- *Induction Cooktops 30” or larger, must be replacing gas
- *LED lights - lesser of 1/2 cost of lights or \$8 per lamp, 500 Lumens or greater
- *Electric trimmer, chainsaw, or pruner, electric blower or lawn-mower - 25% of cost, up to \$150
- *Whole House Fans - \$100
- *Smart Thermostats - \$25

Receipts are required.

Please contact our office for information on requirements and credit amounts at 586-1824.

Let us help pay for your new electric appliances and motors.

Damage From the Storm



Thank You To These Crews For The Help



KBR Rural Public Power District
Ainsworth, Nebraska

Left To Right:
Blaine Kinney, Taylor Wenger, Ryan
Connot and Ned Pozehl
Not Pictured: Cameron Koch and Tim
Murphy

Custer Public Power District
Broken Bow, Nebraska



Tanner Linn



Chancy Boeser



Gordon Needs



Zach Hammond



Riley Ryan



Cody Sierks



Jordan Lemburg



Tristan
Sawyer-Kociemba



Weston Kunkee



PREMA Crew that helped in the
Angora area pictured to the left:
Left to right - Doug Hickox, Tyler
Trout, Nate Holcomb, Myles
Mills, and Vonn Dubs
Not Pictured: Trell Shrewsbury

Pictured with their track digger is
the crew that helped at the river
crossing, left to right: Nate
Holcomb and Kevin Bestol.
Not Pictured: Boone Manon



Panhandle Rural Electric Membership Association - Alliance, Nebraska

Change of Billing Dates and Automatic Payments Coming in June

Effective June 1, 2024, bills that have been mailed the middle of each month, due by the end of the month, will now be mailed on or about the 6th of each month with a due date of two weeks later, around the 20th of the month. Bills that were mailed the end of the month, due by the 10th of the month will now be mailed around the 12th of the month, due date will be two weeks later, around the 26th of the month.

This billing change will also affect the dates that the credit cards and automatic bank draft payments are made. In the month of June, the May bill will be drafted on June 4th, this will be for the May billing. Also, during the month of June, your account will be drafted again on June 26th. The June 26th payment will be for the June billing. Starting in July accounts will be drafted around the 26th of each month.

If having two payments charged to your account in the month of June will cause a hardship, please give our office a call and we will work out a payment arrangement with you.

Thank you for your understanding as we make this change in our billing/payment process.

ENERGY EFFICIENCY **TIP OF THE MONTH**

Did you know ceiling fans can help you save energy? Ceiling fans create a windchill effect on your skin to make you feel a few degrees cooler. Raise the thermostat a few degrees and turn on fans to reduce air conditioning costs.

Set fan blades to rotate counterclockwise during summer months and clockwise during winter months. Remember, ceiling fans cool people but don't actually lower the indoor temperature. Turn them off when you leave the room.

Source: energy.gov



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June Board Meeting:
June 19th - 8:00 am

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