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# CO-OP NEWS

## GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

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**May through September**  
Office hrs: 6:30–5:00, Mon.-Fri.

**October through April**  
Office hrs: 7:30–4:00, Mon.-Fri.

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### NEW SERVICES & SERVICE UPGRADES

As spring approaches, if you have plans to install a new service or upgrade your service, please let us know as soon as possible so we can be sure to have you on the construction list and have all the required equipment in stock. If you are installing a new motor that has a higher horsepower rating than the old one, please let us know so we can make sure we have the appropriate infrastructure in place for the increased horsepower. Depending on the size, Wyrulec may require your motors to have capacitors or soft-starts installed before we will energize the service.

If you are installing a new service or performing work on your equipment that requires us to disconnect your service, you will need a state issued electric wiring permit before we can energize or re-energize the service. If you have a contractor doing your work, they will usually obtain the permit for you. If you are doing the work yourself you will have to obtain the permit, and we are happy to help you with that process.

Tri-State also has rebates available for new motors through their Electrify & Save program. We will need the information on the motor you purchased and your purchase receipt, and we will submit the rebate for you. The rebates return around \$9 -\$10 per horsepower.



**Ryan Schilreff**  
**General Manager**

### IRRIGATION ASSESSMENT PROGRAM

We are currently accepting applications for Tri-State's Irrigation Assessment program. This program will provide a free assessment of the performance of your well and pivot system and will provide a detailed analysis of changes you could make to increase your yield, as well as any energy efficiency enhancements that could be made. You will not be obligated to implement any of the recommendations, but if you choose to, there are some financial incentives in the form of grants and rebates that help cover a portion of the cost. We had several members take advantage of this program last year and hope we can get even more participation this year. Give us a call if you're interested and we'll be happy to give you more information.

### ANNUAL MEETING

We hope you can all join us at this year's 90th annual meeting on April 16th. We're excited to celebrate this milestone year with an excellent guest speaker, Robert Bryce. You can check out his website at [robertbryce.com](http://robertbryce.com) to see some of his articles, books, and films before the meeting.

In honor of this anniversary year, we will be sharing some of the information and articles we have regarding the history of your cooperative. This month we have the annual meeting program for 1943. Electric appliances and electric farm equipment were just becoming popular, and the annual meeting featured speakers that highlighted their advantages and also instructions on how to use them.

# Home IGNITION ZONE Checklist



Follow these simple steps from roof to foundation to **reduce wildfire risk.**

- Clear leaves, pine needles and debris from roofs, gutters, decks and patios.
- Keep lawns watered and maintained so it's less likely to catch fire.
- Replace or repair loose or missing shingles and roof tiles.
- Install 1/8-inch metal mesh screening on vents for your attic, roof and eaves.
- Repair damaged or loose window screens and replace broken windows.
- Repair or maintain siding, trim and exterior joints so embers cannot lodge in gaps.
- Seal gaps and openings around the foundation and where utilities enter the home.
- Keep lawnmowers, oil or gas cans, propane tanks and wood piles at least 30 feet from your home.
- Install a metal gate or section if a wooden fence attaches to the house.
- Remove anything stored under decks or porches, and screen openings to prevent debris buildup.
- Remove flammable objects like lawn furniture.
- Swap mulch for gravel or stone near the home.


Sources: NFPA,  
smokeybear.com/home-safety



## Program

ANNUAL MEMBERS MEETING  
Lingle, Wyoming  
February 13, 1943

- 10:00 A. M. Call to order by President Zimmerer  
Reading of Notice of Meeting J. L. Sawyer  
Reading and approval of minutes of last meeting J. L. Sawyer  
Report of President Ferd Zimmerer  
Report of Secretary-Treasurer Paul H. Dupertuis  
Report of Superintendent Fred E. Neubauer  
Music by Lingle High School group  
Number by Miss Avis Campbell and County 4-H members  
Announcements  
Adjourn for noon  
(50c dinner served in the dining room)
- 1:00 P. M. Music by the Lingle High School group  
Call to order by the president  
Report of Nominating Committee Oscar Guth  
Nominations from the floor  
Balloting  
Address by County Agent E. M. Huckfeldt  
Talks by members:  
Electric Brooding ..... Mrs. George F. Haas  
Electric Stoves and Water Heaters .....  
..... Mrs. Ferd Zimmerer  
Drawing for prizes  
Electric Pig Brooders.....C. Quinn Carroll  
Electric Pumps ..... H. Lippincott  
Electric Motors ..... John Krionderis  
Demonstration of homemade electric equipment ..... Fred Neubauer & Ivan Whipple  
Results of Election  
Adjournment



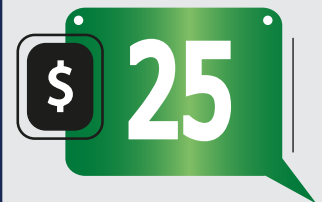
## ENERGY SAVING TIPS

- Use cold water to wash your clothes.
- Run full loads of laundry instead of several smaller ones.
- When drying clothes, include a dry towel the first 20 minutes.

**Safe Electricity.org®**

The following names have been drawn for a \$25 bill credit. Contact Wyrulec Company at 877-WYRULEC to claim your credit!

- ▶ Robert & Tara Seely
- ▶ James Freeburn
- ▶ Gregory & Jocelyn Brown
- ▶ Sylvia Hilderbrand
- ▶ Clay Grandstaff



# WHAT IS DEMAND?

The kW Demand Charge on your bill shows the highest amount of energy being used at one time throughout the month. When demand is measured, all the items using electricity at the same time have their individual kW added together.

For example, the demand for a residential member may include items such as:



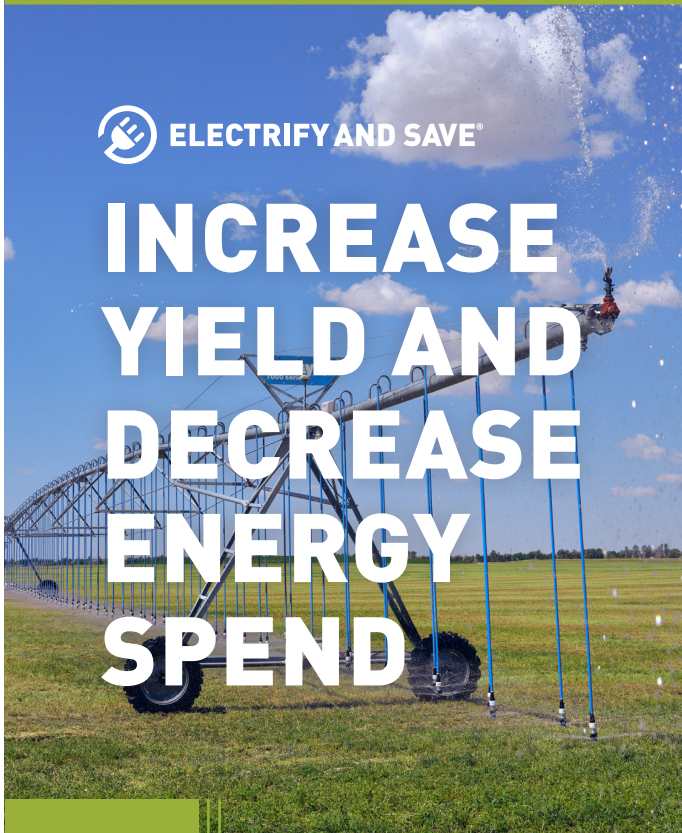
- Furnace
- Hot Water Heater
- Refrigerator
- Washer & Dryer
- Dishwasher
- Lighting
- Television
- Electronics





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# INCREASE YIELD AND DECREASE ENERGY SPEND



## SIGN UP FOR A FREE IRRIGATION ASSESSMENT:

- + FREE PIVOT WATCH FOR REMOTE MONITORING
- + PERFORMANCE OF MOTOR(S)
- + PUMPING PRESSURE (FOR PIVOTS)
- + APPLICATION EFFICIENCY (ORIFICES AND NOZZLES)
- + IRRIGATION SCHEDULING

### THE PROCESS

- 1** Email [kbrown@wyrulec.com](mailto:kbrown@wyrulec.com) or visit [tristate.coop/programs](http://tristate.coop/programs) to begin application
- 2** An irrigation assessor makes a 4-6 hour site visit
- 3** You receive a report in 2-3 weeks
- 4** We help you apply for federal funding
- 5** You receive your equipment. (Installation included in total project cost.)

## GET UP TO 35% OR MORE OFF A NEW PUMP AND VARIABLE SPEED DRIVE\*\*

Through wholesale power supplier Tri-State, end consumers of members in our service territory have access to low or no cost irrigation assessments. The report you receive provides low and no cost measures to improve irrigation coverage along with more detailed recommendations. The report meets standards of USDA's Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) or Rural Energy for America Program (REAP) that provide financial incentives that can cover over 35% of improvement costs.

Please note, program engineers work to schedule the site visit around water availability and harvesting.

\*\*Tri-State members' end consumers can receive approximately 35% funding for installation of irrigation upgrades when using Tri-State and federal funds.

This is an Equal Opportunity Program. Discrimination is prohibited by Federal Law.

**NRCS ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY INCENTIVES PROGRAM**  
[www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs-initiatives/eqip-environmental-quality-incentives](http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs-initiatives/eqip-environmental-quality-incentives)

**RURAL ENERGY FOR AMERICA PROGRAM APPLICATION**  
[www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/energy-programs/rural-energy-america-program-renewable-energy-systems-energy-efficiency-improvement-guaranteed-loans](http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/energy-programs/rural-energy-america-program-renewable-energy-systems-energy-efficiency-improvement-guaranteed-loans)

**ADDITIONAL FINANCING**  
If there is a gap in implementation cost after receiving Federal funding and Tri-State and/or Wyrulec's rebates, you may be eligible for bridge financing through the Collective Clean Energy Fund (CCEF). Contact [info@cocleanenergyfund.com](mailto:info@cocleanenergyfund.com) for more information.

**ADDITIONAL INCENTIVES**  
Your power provider may also have low cost funding to complement the incentives and allow installation of measures with no upfront cost!

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**SIGN UP TO RECEIVE A FREE PIVOT WATCH AND 1 YEAR SUBSCRIPTION (\$600 VALUE)\***

\*Up to two pivot watches per member



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