

# HIGHLIGHTS

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## Why is it good to see co-op workers on your property?

Big Horn REA employees and contractors work throughout our service territory, in the rights-of-way and easements, and across your private property and driveways. We're working to ensure reliable power for you and your neighbors, and that means we must cross your property from time to time.

### You may see us:

- Making routine repairs
- Replacing meters
- Trimming/Removing trees and brush
- Restoring power outages
- Locating buried utilities for construction and digging projects
- Working to upgrade poles, wires, transformers, and equipment
- Inspecting lines, power poles, wires, transformers and equipment

All field work, except emergency power restoration, is generally conducted during normal working hours, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Every effort is made to avoid damage and unnecessary intrusion. If you have concerns about our work, contact us at 800-564-2419. We appreciate your cooperation.



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## POWER

### **Are you considering wind or solar power?**

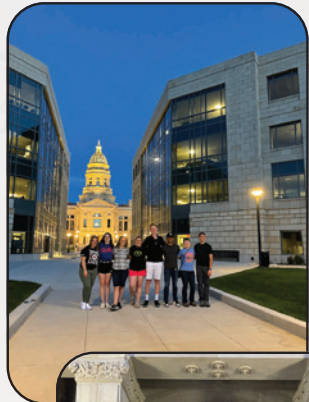
If so, please visit our website [www.bighornrea.com](http://www.bighornrea.com) for the **Interconnection Agreement.**

After reading the Interconnection Agreement, please make sure to contact your installer and Big Horn REA for any questions and scheduling.



# Summer Wrap-up

Summer comes and goes, and like every other summer we've been busy! We had two students attend Youth Tour in Washington D.C. in June, Catcher Russell and Pablo Mendez.



Two students attended Energy Camp in Steamboat Springs, Colorado in July, Grainger Russell and Pablo Mendez.



We upgraded our line in the Manderson/Hyattville area. We helped with a house move in Ten Sleep in July.



We sponsored Summer Fest at Antelope Butte. The Touchstone hot air balloon made a short appearance due to the wind.

To wrap things up, Lineman Rusty Burden and Member Service Rep. Jazmin Jara attended the Wyoming State Fair. They attended the first day of the Wyoming State Fair where they assisted with the WREA booth educating about safety, the advantages of a cooperative, and giving youth an opportunity to climb a pole.



## Attention Lovell/Cowley Area Members!

Big Horn REA will have a contractor, Sundance PPI performing pole testing in the Hwy 14, Whistle Creek, Crooked Creek, and Hwy 37 areas, starting in October.

All members in those areas will receive a post card prior to the beginning of testing.

Please contact Big Horn REA if you have any questions about this project.



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## ELECTRICAL SAFETY TIPS FOR HUNTERS



This hunting season, we encourage all members to be aware of electrical equipment and take necessary precautions while hunting. Keep these safety tips in mind as you enjoy the great outdoors.



**Take notice** of posted warning signs and keep clear of electrical equipment.



**Do not** shoot at or near power lines or insulators.



**Know** where power lines and equipment are located on the land where you hunt.



**Be especially careful** in wooded areas where power lines may not be as visible.



**Do not** place deer stands on utility poles or climb poles. Energized lines and equipment can conduct electricity to anyone who comes in contact with them, causing shock or electrocution.



**Do not** place decoys on power lines or other utility equipment. Any non-electrical equipment attached to a pole can pose an obstruction and serious hazards to our line crews.



## Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month

Water heating accounts for a large portion of home energy bills. To save energy (and money!) used for water heating, repair any leaky faucets, install low-flow fixtures and insulate accessible hot water lines.

When it's time to purchase a new washing machine or dishwasher, look for models that are ENERGY STAR®-certified.

And remember such appliances qualify for a rebate. For a full rebate listing and qualifications see Energy Efficient Rebates under the Services drop down arrow at [www.bighornrea.com/energy-efficient-rebates](http://www.bighornrea.com/energy-efficient-rebates).

Source: Dept. of Energy





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# Watt's Cookin'

At Big Horn REA



## AILEEN SCHRINER



Aileen is our new Accountant!

**What do you bring to your co-op?**

Critical thinking analysis, accuracy,

reliability, and work ethic.

**What is the best thing about working at Big Horn?**

No time wasted in traffic to get to work. I am able to balance work and family. Lots of things to do.

**What is your favorite meal from childhood?**

Beef lumpia, pork bihon, and pork tocino with steamed rice.

## Aileen's Beef Lumpia

### Ingredients:

1 tablespoon vegetable oil	1 tsp black pepper
1 pound of ground beef	1 tsp salt
½ c chopped onions	1 tsp garlic powder
2 cloves garlic, crushed	1 tsp soy sauce
½ c minced carrots	30 lumpia wrappers
½ c chopped green onions	2 c vegetable oil for frying, or as needed
½ c thinly sliced green cabbage	

### Directions:

1. Heat 1 tablespoon vegetable oil in a large skillet over high heat. Add beef; cook and stir for 5 to 7 minutes.
2. Add onion and garlic to pan, cook and stir for about 2 minutes. Stir in the cooked beef, carrots, green onions, and cabbage. Season with pepper, salt, garlic powder and soy sauce. Remove from heat and set aside until cool enough to handle.
3. Assemble lumpia: place 3 heaping tablespoons of filling diagonally near one corner of the lumpia wrapper. Fold the side along the length of the filling over the filling tuck in both ends and roll neatly and tightly to close. Moisten the other side of the wrapper with water to seal the edge.
4. Heat vegetable oil in a heavy skillet over medium heat for 5 minutes. Place the lumpia in the hot oil, making sure seams are facing down. Fry, turning occasionally until all sides are golden brown, 1 to 2 minutes. Transfer to a paper towel-lined plate to drain. Serve immediately.

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