



Big Horn Rural
Electric Company

HIGHLIGHTS

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SEEKING QUALIFIED CANDIDATES FOR BOARD POSITION



One of the advantages of being a member of a cooperative is local member control. Due to the success of the previous years' district meetings, Big Horn will be hosting district meetings again. Further, Big Horn will conduct board member elections through a mail-in ballot process, as was done for director elections previously.

The Board Member positions that are up for election are District 2 – Greybull, Shell area and District 3 – Ten Sleep, Hyattville, area. The term is for three years. Steve Helburn is serving District 2 and John Joyce is serving District 3. Both Steve and John will be running again.

**CLOSED MONDAY,
FEBRUARY 17
IN OBSERVANCE OF
PRESIDENTS' DAY**



If you are interested and willing to seek nomination as a director candidate for Big Horn REA, contact us to receive a Profile Form and Board Candidate Form or access the forms on our website www.bighornrea.com. You will then need to deliver the completed forms to our office in Basin. Forms must be turned in to our office no later than 5:00 p.m., Friday the 28th day of March 2025.

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>>> MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE UPCOMING DISTRICT MEETINGS!

May 14: Shell Community Hall

May 15: Burlington Fire Hall

May 20: Ten Sleep School Cafeteria

May 21: Meeteetse School Cafeteria

May 22: Deaver Town Hall

Meeting and dinner!

Watch for the following newsletters, website, and postcards providing more information.

REBATE CHANGES? YES, YOU HEARD THAT RIGHT!

As part of our commitment to our members, Big Horn REA along with our power supplier Tri-State Generation & Transmission, is proud to offer rebates! There will be a few changes when it comes to the rebates.

The timeframe will remain the same, you must submit your itemized receipt that clearly shows detailed product make & model information, associated labor costs, consumer name, date and verification of purchase/payment unless otherwise noted within 90 days of purchase or installation/delivery date.

Big Horn REA as well as Tri-State reserves the right to modify and/or stop this program at any time.

The 50% Big Horn match will remain the same.

After submitting the rebate, there is a preliminary incentive that is calculated when the application form is complete. Please note that this amount is only an estimate and may vary from the actual rebate payment based on application review and calendar year. The actual rebate amount will reflect the value for the calendar year in which it is submitted. **Rebate calculations will not be modified to reflect the prior year's incentives.**

Tri-State will send a single rebate payment to Big Horn for all approved Electrify and Save incentive applications during a specific period. Big Horn will then send out checks. The process takes about a month and a half depending on what time of the month you submitted the receipt to Big Horn.

- **Electric heat pump: Air-Source (ducted, ductless & radiant)**
 - Minimum eligibility - EnergyStar version 6.1 and/or - 7.8HSPF2
 - \$500 for systems equal to or less than 1.5 tons (18,000 BTUs)
 - \$1,500 for systems greater than 1.5 tons (18,000 BTUs)
 - \$500 bonus for ducted systems with propane back-up heat
 - All air-to-water radiant systems \$500/ton
- **Electric heat pump: Ground-Source**
 - New ground source heat pump systems and replacement heat pumps are eligible
 - \$500/ton, for new installations
 - \$250/ton for existing unit replacement

****Incentive amount is the lower of stated rebate or 50% of equipment****

- **Heat Pump Water Heaters**
 - Energy Star certified
 - \$200/installation
- **Residential LED rebates are no longer available**
- **Energy Star Air Conditioner rebate no longer available**
- **Smart Thermostats**
 - Eligibility is now ENERGY STAR certification
 - Limit of 2 per member account
 - \$25/thermostat
 - \$50/thermostat is enrolled in managed program



MONTHLY BILLING AND PENALTY FOR LATE PAYMENT

Bills on all monthly electric accounts will be computed and mailed to the address furnished by the member generally no later than the 9th day of the month. All bills are due and payable by the due date shown on the bill and are delinquent the following day.

A charge of 1.5% per month will be added to any outstanding balance remaining as of the day after the due date. Notice of this charge will be printed on each statement.

Delinquent notices will be mailed the day after the due date that is on your bill on ALL delinquent accounts, giving notice that if payment is not received or arrangements for payments are not made, service may be discontinued.

To ensure your payment is received on time every month, Big Horn has flexible payment options. Please check our website for the ACH Form, for our online payment options or give us a call and we can help set you up.



Stay Comfortable Without Raising Your Energy Bill

Dress for the Season

The first thing you can do is put on warm and comfortable clothing or snuggle under a blanket.



Reverse your Ceiling Fan

Ceiling fans aren't just for cooling. Running your ceiling fan clockwise will recirculate the warm air above you and help you feel warmer.

Let Your Windows Work for You

Open your curtains during the day to let natural light warm your home. Close them at night to improve insulation and keep warm air inside.



Don't Heat Unused Rooms

Close off the vents in rooms that are not often used so that you don't waste energy heating them.*

*Contact your HVAC system manufacturer to make sure this is ok for your system.

Have Some Soup or a Warm Beverage

Simply drink some warm tea or coffee or have some soup to feel warmer in no time.



»»» ENERGY EFFICIENCY: TIP OF THE MONTH

If you have a home office, look for opportunities to save energy in your workspace. Use ENERGY STAR-rated equipment, which consumes up to 50% less energy than standard models. Set equipment like printers and scanners to automatically switch to sleep or energy-saver mode when not in use. In addition to saving energy, the equipment will stay cooler, which will help extend its life.

Another way to save energy in your home office is to use efficient lamps for task lighting. Replace any older bulbs with energy-saving LEDs.



Source: energystar.gov

WREN SUBSCRIPTION

We hope you find the WREN Magazine informational.

However, if you do not find it of use and would like to opt out of receiving it, please fill out and return the bottom half to

PO Box 270 Basin, WY, 82410

or with your bill stub.

You can also give the office a call at 800-564-2419 to be removed as well.

Big Horn REA's newsletter is available to everyone on our website at www.bighornrea.com/highlights-newsletter. This online version does not include the WREN Magazine.



I do NOT wish to receive my copy of the WREN Magazine anymore and will read my copy of HIGHLIGHTS online

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