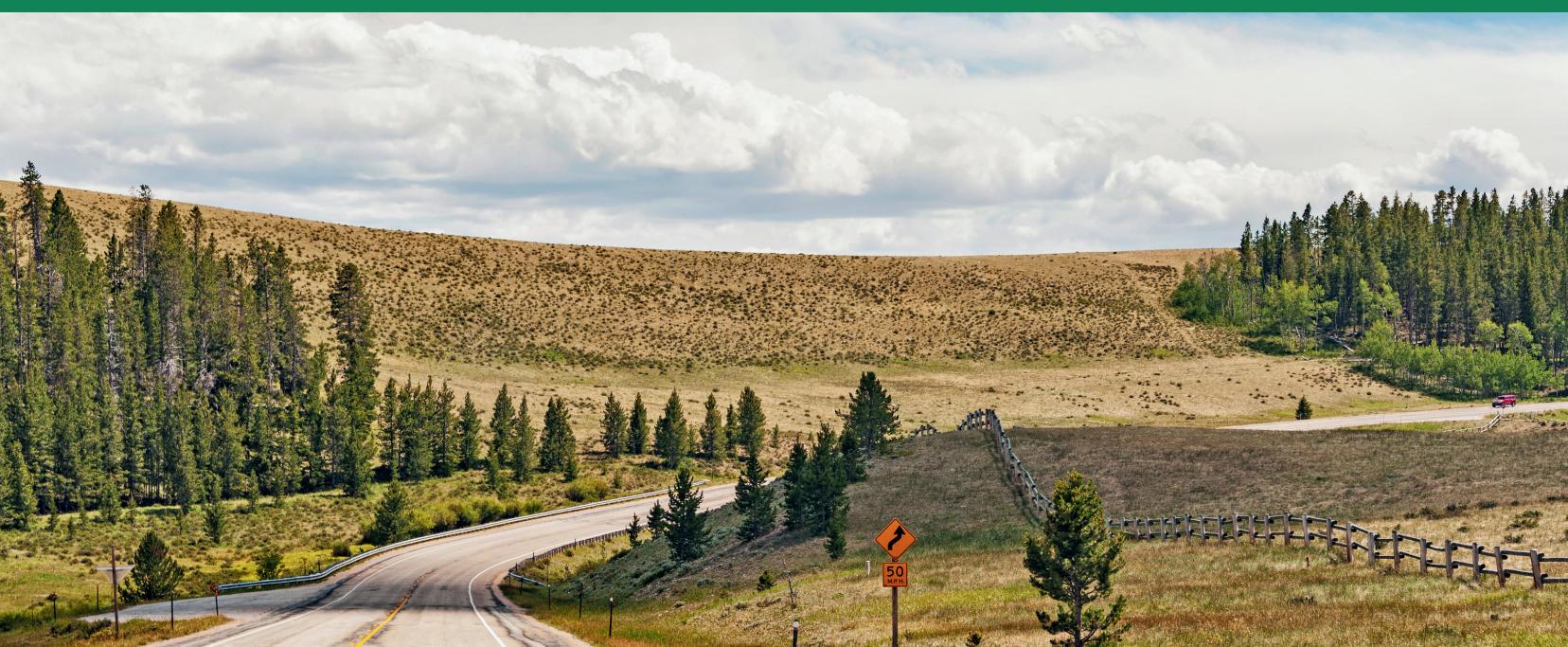




Big Horn Rural
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HIGHLIGHTS

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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 1 – Burlington, otto, Emblem area and District 4 – Meeteetse area. The term is for three years. Sara Schlattman is serving District 1 and John Fernandez is serving District 4.

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 5:30 p.m., Thursday the 19th day of March 2026.



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»» MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE UPCOMING DISTRICT MEETINGS!

April 27: Deaver Town Hall

April 28: Burlington Fire Hall

May 11: Meeteetse School Cafeteria

May 13: Ten Sleep School Cafeteria

May 14: Shell Community Hall

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

PLANNING A NEW SERVICE?

Believe it or not, spring is on the way! If you are planning a new service – a new home, grain dryer, irrigation, etc. – you should call Big Horn REA early in the planning. We help with the process and ensure you have the power you need. There are many factors to be considered when adding something that uses electricity. Does a larger transformer or service need to be installed? Is there clearance? When will you need the electricity? Is Big Horn's system capable of handling the prospective load? What is the cost to put in a new service or upgrade my service?

Big Horn's General Foreman, Clint Getzfreid, adds, "We want our members to be aware that there is certain paperwork we will need before building a new service or upgrading an existing service. We have had several members call and need a service 'tomorrow,' and while we do our best to accommodate, there is a process to a new service."

If you are thinking about a new service, please check the New Services on our website. This will let you know what we will need to get things started. www.bighornrea.com/new-services



John Joyce presented Michael Miller with his Credentialed Cooperative Director Certificate during January's Board Meeting.

This program consists of five courses that focus on basic governance knowledge and essential skills required of cooperative directors. It prepares directors to fulfill their fiduciary duty as elected officials serving on behalf of their membership.

Thank you for being a dedicated board member, Michael!



**TIENES PREGUNTAS SOBRE TU
FRACTURA, PERO SOLO HABLAS
ESPAÑOL? LLAMA A LA OFICINA Y
PREGUNTA POR JAZMIN.**

>>> TIPS TO AVOID ENERGY SCAMS:

Scammers and cyber criminals look for weak points to exploit before software companies can fix them. Update software programs on your computer, tablet and mobile phone as soon as possible when a newer version becomes available. Software updates often contain critical patches and protections against security threats. Turn on automatic updates to automatically update your security software, internet browser, operating system and mobile apps.

BIG HORN REA RATES

(EFFECTIVE 2-1-26) (PREVIOUS RATES)

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After careful consideration from board and staff the below table outlines the changes in rates which became effective February 1, 2026. The rates show an overall average rate increase of approximately 5% percent. In conjunction with Big Horn's power supplier Tri-State Generation and Transmission's rate increase of 10% percent which became effective January 1, 2026 and the ever-increasing cost of operations, Big Horn's financials have been impacted. Your board and staff will continue to work diligently in managing costs.

Small General Service (SGS) –

Max. 11 kW, Motors 10 HP

- Basic Charge, per meter:
 - Single Phase, (200 amp/15 kVA or less): \$50.00 **\$44.00**
 - Three Phase, (200 amp/30 kVA or less): \$60.00 **\$54.00**
 - Additional kVA chg/per kVA: \$1.00
- Energy Charge:
 - First 1000 kWh per month, per kWh: \$0.12410 **\$0.11121**
 - Over 1000 kWh per month, per kWh: \$0.11410 **\$0.10121**

Medium General Service – Min. 11 kW –

Max. 25 kW, Transformer Max. 50 kVA

(MGS)

Motors 10 HP (single phase), 50 HP (three phase)

- Basic Charge, per meter: \$70.00 **\$64.00**
- Additional kVA chg/per kVA: \$1.00
- Energy Charge:
 - First 200 kWh per billing kW, per kWh: \$0.15670 **\$0.14193**
 - Next 200 kWh per billing kW, per kWh: \$0.13670 **\$0.11617**
 - Over 400 kWh per billing kW, per kWh: \$0.11170 **\$0.09041**

Large General Service – Min. 25 kW –

Max. 45 kW, Transformer Max. 50 kVA

(LGS)

Motors 10 HP (single phase), 50 HP (three phase)

- Basic Charge, per meter: \$70.00
- Additional kVA chg/per kVA: \$1.00
- Demand Charge, per billing kW: \$10.00 **\$8.50**
- Energy Charge:
 - First 200 kWh per billing kW, per kWh: \$0.12000 **\$0.11212**
 - Next 200 kWh per billing kW, per kWh: \$0.09424 **\$0.08636**
 - Over 400 kWh per billing kW, per kWh: \$0.06848 **\$0.06060**

Rental Security Lighting

- Monthly Rate:
 - 175 Watt Mercury Vapor Lamp, per Lamp: \$13.21 **\$12.01**
 - 100 Watt LED Lamp, per Lamp: \$13.21 **\$12.01**

Street Lighting

- Monthly Rate:
 - 75 Watt Mercury Vapor Lamp, per Lamp: \$9.54 **\$8.67**
 - 175 Watt Mercury Vapor Lamp, per Lamp: \$13.21 **\$12.01**
 - 150 Watt High Pressure Sodium, per Lamp: \$13.21 **\$12.01**
 - 100 Watt LED Lamp, per Lamp: \$13.21 **\$12.01**

Small Time-of-Use (STU) – Min. 10 kW storage heating equipment—Closed to new members

- Basic Charge, per meter:
 - Single Phase, (200 amp/15 kVA or less): \$54.00 **\$48.50**
 - Three Phase, (200 amp/30 kVA or less): \$64.00 **\$58.50**
 - Additional kVA chg/per kVA: \$1.00
- Energy Charge, May 1 thru Aug. 31:
 - First 1000 kWh per month, per kWh: \$0.11160 **\$0.10736**
 - Over 1000 kWh per month, per kWh: \$0.11160 **\$0.10736**
- Energy Charge, Sept 1 thru April 30:
 - On-Peak kWh per month, per kWh*: \$0.20000 **\$0.17827**
 - Off-Peak kWh per month, per kWh**: \$0.06000 **\$0.05356**

Commercial and Industrial (CI) –

The greater of 45kW or 50 kVA

- Basic Charge, per meter: \$125.00
- NCP Demand Charge: \$10.00
- Additional kVA chg/per kVA: \$1.00
- Energy Charge:
 - First 200 kWh per billing kW, per kWh: \$0.12200 **\$0.11415**
 - Next 200 kWh per billing kW, per kWh: \$0.08403 **\$0.07618**
 - Over 400 kWh per billing kW, per kWh: \$0.05699 **\$0.04914**

Irrigation (IRR) – Motors 10HP (single phase), 100 HP (three phase)

- Annual HP Charge per season, per HP: \$35.00 **\$30.00**
- Energy Charge:
 - First 150 kWh per HP per month, per kWh: \$0.13280 **\$0.12392**
 - Next 150 kWh per HP per month, per kWh: \$0.11602 **\$0.10714**
 - Over 300 kWh per HP per month, per kWh: \$0.09924 **\$0.09036**

Industrial - Transmission

- Basic Charge: \$2,500.00
- NCP Demand Charge: \$1.75
- CP Demand Charge: \$28.12
- Additional kVA, per kVA: \$1.00
- Energy Charge:
 - Energy Charge/kWh: \$0.04361

Industrial - Substation

- Basic Charge: \$2,500.00
- NCP Demand Charge: \$4.00
- CP Demand Charge: \$28.12
- Additional kVA, per kVA: \$1.00
- Energy Charge:
 - Energy Charge/kWh: \$0.04361

>>> ENERGY EFFICIENCY: TIP OF THE MONTH

As spring arrives, take advantage of milder temperatures to save energy at home. Open windows on pleasant days to bring in fresh air instead of running your HVAC system. It's also a great time to replace dirty air filters, which helps your system run more efficiently and improves indoor air quality. As daylight increases, turn off unnecessary lights and rely on natural sunlight when possible. Small seasonal adjustments like these can reduce energy use, lower monthly bills and help keep your home comfortable as winter transitions into spring.



Recipe

• made with love •

Name of the dish

Chicken Enchiladas
by Carrie Hunt

Ingredients

- 2-3 chicken breasts (cooked & shredded)
- 1 can cream of mushroom soup
- 1 can green chiles
- 1 small container of sour cream
- 1 16oz bag colby jack cheese
- Flour tortillas

Makes about 10 enchiladas

Directions

- Cook chicken breasts and shred once cooked.
- Mix together cream of mushroom soup, green chiles and sour cream.
- Combine chicken with mix and add half bag of cheese.
- Take a spoonful of mixture and place on tortilla and roll up.
- Reserve a small portion of the mixture to place on tortillas.
- After all tortillas are wrapped take remaining mixture and spread across wrapped tortillas.
- Bake at 350° for 20 minutes. At the 10 minute mark spread remaining cheese on top of tortillas and continue to bake for 10 minutes.



WANTED

We would love to hear from our members!

Got a scenic photo of a place on our grid or a recipe created by you?

Please email us at jazmin@bighornrea.com to have your photo or recipe added to our monthly newsletter!

If your submission is chosen to be published in our newsletter you will receive a \$25 bill credit!

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