



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 position that is up for election is District 5 – Lovell, Deaver, Frannie area. The term is for three years. William E. "Willie" Bridges is serving District 5.

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 15th day of March 2024.

**CLOSED MONDAY,
FEBRUARY 19
IN OBSERVANCE OF
PRESIDENTS' DAY**



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

May 14: Meeteetse School Cafeteria

May 15: Burlington Fire Hall

May 16: Ten Sleep School Cafeteria

May 21: Shell Community Hall

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.

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.



CONGRATULATIONS JOHN FERNANDEZ!

John Joyce presented John Fernandez with his Director Gold Certificate.

This certificate recognizes directors who have earned their Credentialed Cooperative Director and Board Leadership Certificate certificates and are committed to continuing their education throughout their tenure on the board. Director Gold is an addition to NRECA's Director Education Program.

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REBATE CHANGES? YES, YOU HEARD THAT RIGHT!

- **Electric heat pump: Air-Source (ducted, ductless & radiant)**
 - Base Tier – EnergyStar version 6.1 minimum standard – 7.8 HSPF2
 - \$250/ton, up to 5 tons.
 - \$125/ton for additional capacity over 5 tons.
 - Ductless Cold-Climate – EnergyStar version 6.1 cold climate – 8.5 HSPF2, 70% capacity and COP of 1.75 at 5°F
 - \$500/ton, up to 5 tons.
 - \$250/ton for additional capacity over 5 tons.
 - \$1,000/ton rebate for Low-to-Moderate income.
 - Ducted Cold Climate—EnergyStar version 6.1 – 8.1 HSPF2, 70% capacity and COP of 1.75 at 5°F
 - \$500/ton, up to 5 tons.
 - \$250/ton for additional capacity over 5 tons.
 - \$500 bonus for base and cold climate tier ducted systems with propane.
 - \$1,000/ton rebate for Low-to-Moderate income.
 - Air to Water Heat Pumps
 - \$500/ton, up to 5 tons.
 - \$250/ton for additional capacity over 5 tons.
 - Equipment manufacturer and model number identification.
 - Itemized receipt, including breakout of equipment and labor.

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

- **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.
- **Electric vehicle chargers**
 - Photo of installed EVSE equipment and circuit in service panel required.
 - Level 2(L2)—No retail sale or free collection capability.
 - 50% of total equipment and installation costs up to \$250 for non-managed chargers.



»»» ENERGY EFFICIENCY: TIP OF THE MONTH

During winter months, ensure your home is well sealed to reduce the need for excessive heating. Seal air leaks around your home and add insulation where needed to save up to 10% on annual energy bills.

Install weather stripping on exterior doors and apply caulk around windows. Check attic insulation levels and hire a qualified contractor if additional insulation is required.

Source: energystar.gov



BIG HORN REA RATES

(EFFECTIVE 1-1-24) (PREVIOUS RATES)

After careful consideration from board and staff the below table outlines the changes in rates which became effective January 1, 2024. The rates show an overall average rate increase of approximately 9.45 percent. In conjunction with Big Horn's power supplier Tri-State Generation and Transmission's rate increase of 7 percent which also became effective January 1, 2024 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): \$44.00
 - Three Phase, (200 amp/30 kVA or less): \$54.00
 - Additional kVA chg/per kVA: \$1.00
- Energy Charge:
 - First 1000 kWh per month, per kWh: \$0.11121 **\$0.09677**
 - Over 1000 kWh per month, per kWh: \$0.10121 **\$0.08677**

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: \$64.00
 - Additional kVA chg/per kVA: \$1.00
- Energy Charge:
 - First 200 kWh per billing kW, per kWh: \$0.14193 **\$0.12771**
 - Next 200 kWh per billing kW, per kWh: \$0.11617 **\$0.10271**
 - Over 400 kWh per billing kW, per kWh: \$0.09041 **\$0.07771**

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 **\$64.00**
 - Additional kVA chg/per kVA: \$1.00
- Demand Charge, per billing kW: \$ 8.50 **\$7.50**
- Energy Charge:
 - First 200 kWh per billing kW, per kWh: \$0.11212 **\$0.09991**
 - Next 200 kWh per billing kW, per kWh: \$0.08636 **\$0.07991**
 - Over 400 kWh per billing kW, per kWh: \$0.06060 **\$0.05991**

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): \$48.50 **\$46.50**
 - Three Phase, (200 amp/30 kVA or less): \$58.50 **\$56.50**
 - Additional kVA chg/per kVA: \$1.00
- Energy Charge, May 1 thru Aug. 31:
 - First 1000 kWh per month, per kWh: \$0.10736 **\$0.09677**
 - Over 1000 kWh per month, per kWh: \$0.10736 **\$0.08677**
- Energy Charge, Sept 1 thru April 30:
 - On-Peak kWh per month, per kWh*: \$0.17827 **\$0.15415**
 - Off-Peak kWh per month, per kWh**: \$0.05356 **\$0.05652**

Commercial and Industrial (CI) – The greater of 45kW or 50 kVA

- Basic Charge, per meter: \$125.00
 - Additional kVA chg/per kVA: \$1.00
- Demand Charge, per billing kW: \$ 8.50 **\$6.75**
- Energy Charge:
 - First 200 kWh per billing kW, per kWh: \$0.11415 **\$0.10119**
 - Next 200 kWh per billing kW, per kWh: \$0.07618 **\$0.07619**
 - Over 400 kWh per billing kW, per kWh: \$0.04914 **\$0.05119**

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

- Annual HP Charge per season, per HP: \$30.00 **\$26.00**
- Energy Charge:
 - First 150 kWh per HP per month, per kWh: \$0.12392 **\$0.11772**
 - Next 150 kWh per HP per month, per kWh: \$0.10714 **\$0.09272**
 - Over 300 kWh per HP per month, per kWh: \$0.09036 **\$0.06772**

Rental Security Lighting

- Monthly Rate:
 - 175 Watt Mercury Vapor Lamp, per Lamp: \$12.01 **\$10.44**
 - 100 Watt LED Lamp, per Lamp: \$12.01 **\$10.44**

Street Lighting

- Monthly Rate:
 - 75 Watt Mercury Vapor Lamp, per Lamp: \$8.67 **\$7.54**
 - 175 Watt Mercury Vapor Lamp, per Lamp: \$12.01 **\$10.44**
 - 150 Watt High Pressure Sodium, per Lamp: \$12.01 **\$10.44**
 - 100 Watt LED Lamp, per Lamp: \$12.01 **\$10.44**

*On-Peak Usage is the eight (8) hrs from 1:00 p.m. through 9:00 p.m.

**Off-Peak Usage is the sixteen (16) hours from 9:00 p.m. until 1:00 p.m.

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