



General Manager Doyle Hazen



Rate Reductions for 2022

Looking forward to 2022, there are many questions that we are all facing. What are energy prices going to do? Gasoline, diesel, propane and natural gas are all increasing. How will the increases in energy impact everything else? Will the increase in the price of all goods impact my family's standard of living? As you look at your budget and see how you can adjust to keep things normal for your family, North Central Public Power District (NCPD) has been looking at its budget and searching for ways to keep more in your pocket during this unstable economic environment.

NCPD's board has recently approved new rates that will provide for a seven percent reduction in overall rates. This reduction may vary (+) or (-) three percent between rate classes, but as a whole, the rates will be reduced by seven percent. NCPD continues to evaluate and adjust its operations to provide the best reliability while maintaining an excellent level of value for its customers.

For the second year in a row, the Board of Directors has also passed

through a .006196/kWh Power Cost Adjustment (PCA) credit. The PCA is a credit NCPD receives from its wholesale supplier, Nebraska Public Power District (NPPD). The PCA credit is applied to customers served wholesale power from NPPD. The rate that the customer receives is the same rate that is credited on the NCPD wholesale bill. For the average residential customer, the PCA amounts to an approximate savings of five to six percent. Customers in Plainview do not receive the PCA credit as their energy is provided

by the Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska (MEAN).

The credit given for the PCA is a surplus from NCPD's wholesale supplier, NPPD, that is passed on to you. This is based on surpluses NPPD has had for the past two years. The PCA is not a permanent credit and whether a credit will be seen in 2023 is not certain. NCPD will continue working to control costs and provide the best reliability and value for your money.

Keep safe and have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Long Time Director Passes

North Central Public Power District's long time director William "Bill" Jedlicka passed away November 17, 2021. Bill was an active member who represented Subdivision 3. Bill was always regaling everyone with whom he spoke, but took his job seriously when it came to representing the customers of the district. We will sincerely miss Bill.



William "Bill" Jedlicka

Tree Maintenance

Proactive Measures Benefit Everyone

Over the next few months, North Central Public Power District (NCPPD) will focus on tree maintenance, which is one of the leading causes of power outages. Tree trimming and removal is a proactive approach to this ongoing problem. We understand the importance of trees and realize their value to our customers. Proper tree maintenance is a benefit to everyone.

Advantages of Utility Tree Maintenance

- Safety of Customers
- Minimize Line Blinks for All Customers
- Reduce Outages and Lengthy Repairs

For tree maintenance this year, NCPPD's Operations Department will be contacting customers in Antelope, Knox and Pierce counties to receive tree trimming and removal permission. The 85-4 Brunswick rural, 85-6 Verdigre rural and 85-7 Plainview rural substations will be the focus of attention for tree maintenance.

Customers are reminded to report any potential issues concerning trees and power lines. We are continuously working to ensure our customers have safe and reliable electric service.



Hoffman and Moser are promoted



Tim Hoffman
Assistant Operations Mgr.

Tim Hoffman has become the new Assistant Operations Manager at North Central Public Power District (NCPPD). Tim joined NCPPD in 2000 after receiving his Associate of Applied Science degree in Utility Line from Northeast Community College. He began as an Apprentice Lineman, working his way to Journeyman Lineman, Crew Foreman, Lead Lineman, and Staking Engineer before becoming Assistant Operations Manager. Tim has also acquired a Bachelor of Business from Bellevue University. Tim and his wife Jennifer have four daughters: Jessica, Katie, Ashley and Sidney.

With Tim's move, Jeff Moser has become the new Staking Engineer at NCPPD. Jeff will continue as a lineman while performing the Staking Engineer duties. Jeff joined NCPPD in 2004 after receiving his Associate of Applied Science degree in Utility Line from Northeast Community College. Jeff has also acquired a Bachelor of Business from Bellevue University. He began as an Apprentice Lineman, then he advanced to Journeyman Lineman, Crew Foreman, and Lead Lineman, before becoming Staking Engineer. Jeff and his wife Trisha have three children: Olivia, Andrew, and Raelyn.

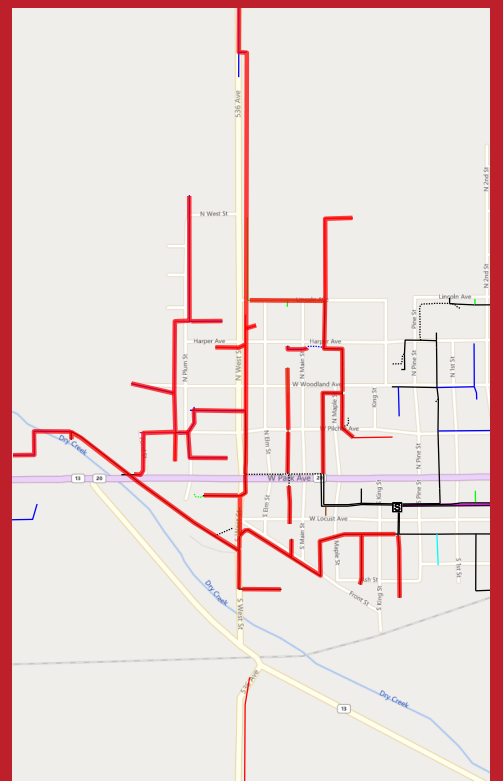


Jeff Moser
Staking Engineer



Electrical System Upgrade Planned for City of Plainview

North Central Public Power District (NCPPD) is pleased to announce the first year of a five-year plan to upgrade the City of Plainview's electrical system. NCPPD has hired RVW, Inc. engineering out of Columbus, NE, to design the electrical infrastructure. In the coming months, RVW will begin to stake the new line and will be visible on the west end of town. The map pictured is the area NCPPD is proposing to work on in 2022. If anyone has concerns or questions, please call NCPPD's Operations Department at 402-358-5112.



Safety Tips for the Holiday Season



Linda Sokol,
Energy Advisor

Keep safety in mind when decorating the home. Ensure that your tree is placed at least three feet away from heat sources, such as fireplaces or radiators, and on a stable platform. Before hanging holiday lights, check for worn spots, fraying, and excessive kinking. Damaged strands of lights should not be used. Consider investing in LED light strands. Although they are more expensive than traditional incandescent bulbs, LED lights last much longer and are also more efficient and durable.

Don't get burned in the kitchen. Clean your stove top and oven often, especially before the large amount of baking and cooking that takes place for family gatherings. Doing so will help prevent fires in the kitchen should a malfunction or accident take place. Do not leave combustible items, such as towels or pot holders, near the stove top. Keep all appliance cords away from heat. Never use appliances near the kitchen sink. Plug appliances into ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) outlets. Unplug your appliances when they are not in use.

Whether you are leaving the home for a few hours or for a few weeks, turn off all lights when they are not in use. Your neighbors can still enjoy your exterior Christmas lights while you are away if you put them on an automatic timer. This will remove the extra worry of an electrical accident while also reducing energy costs. If you will be gone for an extended holiday trip, you can reduce the risk of a power surge damaging equipment by unplugging unneeded electrical devices before leaving.

For more home electrical safety tips, visit SafeElectricity.org.



Irrigation Facility Charge to be billed in February

The 2021 Irrigation Facility Charge for irrigation services that are 15 horsepower or larger will be billed in February. If you have irrigation changes such as load control schedule (i.e. from 3 Day Control to 2 Day Control), or intend to transfer service into another name, please notify our office. New irrigation contracts will need to be completed and returned to our office before any changes on the billing system will be made. An irrigation letter will be mailed out in January indicating all irrigation accounts currently in the customer's name.

From our homes to yours . . .

Chicken Pot Pie Fettuccine

Ingredients

4 Tbsp butter
4 Tbsp all-purpose flour
1 carton chicken broth (32 oz)
½ cup milk
Salt & pepper to taste
¾ lbs uncooked fettuccine
2 cups shredded rotisserie chicken
2 cups frozen mixed vegetables

Directions

In 4-quart pot or Dutch oven, melt 4 tablespoons butter over medium heat; gradually beat in 4 tablespoons all-purpose flour with whisk until mixture is thick and smooth. Gradually pour in 1 carton (32 oz) chicken broth and ½ cup milk, beating until smooth. Season with salt and pepper. Heat to boiling; reduce heat to medium-low. Add ¾ lbs uncooked fettuccine; cook about 20 minutes, stirring occasionally, until tender and majority of liquid is absorbed. Stir in 2 cups shredded deli rotisserie chicken and 2 cups frozen mixed vegetables, thawed; cook until heated through. Season with salt and pepper





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Christmas

December 23-24, 2021

New Year's Day

December 31, 2021



FOR SALE: Homemade dump trailer 4'x8'x4' high, 2 inch ball hitch on it. 43 dump angle. Good for leaves and grass clippings. Call 402-857-3416. Leave message if no answer.

FOR SALE: 2 Fertilizer totes. Hold 250 gallons each. Call 402-857-3416. Leave message if no answer.

FOR SALE: 2013 Jayco Toyhauler camper. 16 feet long, garage is 6x10. New tires, everything works as it should. \$15,500 OBO. Call 402-841-7686.

FOR SALE: John Deere 7000 Planter 3-Point, 1-Row, w/ Precision Finger. Condition- Very good, refurbished, new tires on the front. Located in Norfolk or Meadow Grove. For acreage gardening, corn or food plot planting. Asking \$800,

OBO. Cross-posted, cash. Call 402-649-8860.

FOR SALE: 2002 Fisher 17 ½ ' fish & ski boat. Has 90 HP Mercury motor. Comes with 2004 Minnkota trolling motor. Low hours on boat motor. Call 402-857-3611; cell# 605-661-8499.

FREE: Schmoller & Mueller piano. Good-excellent condition. Call 402-360-0579.

FOR SALE: Frigidaire silver refrigerator/ freezer. Lightly used. \$450. Call 402-360-0579.

FOR SALE: Light colored pine bunk beds & dresser with mirror to match. \$150. Call 402-360-0579.

WANTED TO BUY: Metal, farm equipment, vehicles, anything metal. Call 402-841-2242.

Do you have something to sell or are you looking for something in particular? You may call, send or email (bargain.barn@ncppd.net) your description of what's for sale or what you are looking for to our office. The ad will run in the Bargain Barn section free for one month. Please include name and telephone number. No commercial ads will be accepted, personal items only.

SantaLand Light Display in Creighton

Nov 24 - Dec 31, 2021

6 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Santa's Workshop and Mrs. Claus' Gingerbread House

Nov 30 - Dec 23, 2021

6 p.m - 9 p.m.

