

## Follow One-Call safety procedures when digging

In 2017, there were 57 incidents when people accidentally caused power outages when hitting PRE-Corp lines. Some of these outages happened when digging equipment hit underground power lines.



Last year's public-caused outage numbers are the lowest since 2013, but 57 incidents are still too many. The well-being of the people who hit underground lines is our top concern. Most people do the right thing. They call 811 for One Call of Wyoming, even when planting a tree. Line locators go to the property under construction and locate any underground utilities ranging from water and gas lines to electric and telephone. This is a way to ensure the diggers are safe from hitting and damaging lines buried underground.

Be sure to have locates done on any underground lines between the meter base and the structure. When meters are pole-mounted, there is likely an underground power line leading to the house or other structures. Many times the depths of the lines change with landscaping or site work. Be careful at all times.

## Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month

In spring and summer months, set your ceiling fans to turn in the counterclockwise direction. This will create a cool breeze. Remember, ceiling fans cool people, not rooms. Turn them off when you leave the room.

Source: [energystar.gov](http://energystar.gov)



## Events calendar

The PRECorp Board of Directors meets the third Tuesday of the month at 9:30 a.m. at rotating locations in Sundance, Gillette, and Sheridan. Meetings might be moved to avoid conflicts with state or national cooperative events.

The tentative dates are as follows:

**March 19-20 - Sheridan**

**April 17 - Sundance**

**May 22 - Gillette**

## Other events to remember:

- **Friday, March 30:** Application deadline for *PRECorp Scholarship* and *Swanda Scholarship*. Go to [www.precorp.coop/scholarships](http://www.precorp.coop/scholarships)
- **Saturday, April 28:** Lineman Scholarship banquet, Gillette. Email [communications@precorp.coop](mailto:communications@precorp.coop) for tickets.
- **Saturday, June 2:** Durham Ranch Buffalo Stampede 5K/10K Walk/Run.

## Notice of deposit interest adjustment

Because of an incorrect program setting to the interest calculation for security deposits, about one-third of the active members of PRECorp who have or had, since 2004, a deposit on file will have a credit applied to their March bill. This will be shown as "Deposit Interest True-Up" on your bill if you are affected. Call 1-800-442-3630 with questions.

# Save the Date!

The 73<sup>rd</sup> PRECorp Annual Meeting will be held  
Saturday, August 25, 2018 at the Gillette Cam-Plex  
Energy Hall/Heritage Center Theater.



**I signed up for Operation RoundUp<sup>®</sup> and I won a bundle! [of meat]**

Just in time for grilling season, Powder River Energy is offering Operation RoundUp<sup>®</sup> members and new enrollees a chance at a free bundle of bison, beef, and pork, just because you are part of the monthly charitable contribution network to the Powder River Energy Foundation.

If you are currently enrolled in Operation RoundUp<sup>®</sup> or you sign up before March 30, 2018, you will be entered in a drawing for a bundle of bison, plus 4-H beef and pork totaling 25 pounds!

The drawing will be held Monday, April 2.

If you are not a member of Operation RoundUp<sup>®</sup>, **SIGN UP NOW** by checking the box on your bill, or by calling PRECorp at 1-800-442-3630.

**WHEN THE LIGHTS GO OUT,  
IT'S THEIR TIME TO SHINE.  
On Lineman Appreciation Day  
April 9, #ThankALineman**



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