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- School bus safety: Know the signs to protect our kids.
 - Yellow lights? Slow down — the bus is stopping.
 - Red lights + stop arm? Stop — kids are loading or unloading.
- Stay back at least 10 feet and watch for kids crossing unexpectedly.
- As school buses hit the road, remember: the most dangerous time for kids is when they're getting on or off the bus.
 - Stop for red lights.
 - Watch for kids.
 - Stay 10 feet back. Let's work together to keep every child safe this school year.
- #BackToSchool #DriveSmart



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WE WANT YOUR PHOTOS

send us your favorite landscape pictures

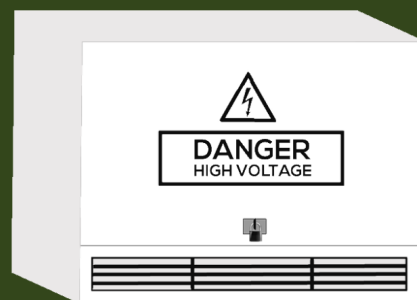


- **Bonus if it has our powerlines in it, but not mandatory.**
- **The photos selected will be printed and displayed in our boardroom.**
- **Gift cards awarded to those chosen.**

Email your photos to katiec@prema.coop

Safety Tip

Keep plants and fences away from green transformer boxes — especially the padlocked side. Utility crews need at least 10 feet in front and 4 feet on the sides to work safely and quickly during outages. Keep a clear path to the transformer — even if it's in your yard, it's technically on an easement, and they still need access!



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BUH-BYE INCANDESCENT LIGHT BULBS

IF YOU'VE BEEN HAVING TROUBLE FINDING REPLACEMENTS FOR THE INCANDESCENT BULBS YOU'VE BEEN USING IN YOUR TABLE LAMPS AND OVERHEAD FIXTURES YOUR WHOLE LIFE, IT'S BECAUSE THEY'VE BEEN BANNED.

AS OF AUG. 1, STORES STOPPED SELLING INCANDESCENT BULBS AND U.S. MANUFACTURERS STOPPED MAKING THEM.

YOU MAY CONTINUE TO USE THE INCANDESCENT BULBS YOU ALREADY OWN, BUT YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO REPLACE THEM.

THE BAN AIMS TO ENCOURAGE THE USE OF LED LIGHT BULBS, WHICH ARE LONG-LASTING, ENERGY-EFFICIENT AND COOL TO THE TOUCH.

COMPACT FLUORESCENT LIGHT BULBS ARE STILL IN STORES—FOR NOW.



NOTICE

CAPITAL CREDIT CHECKS WERE MAILED SEPTEMBER 27, 2024, NUMEROUS CHECKS HAVE NOT BEEN CASHED. PLEASE CASH YOUR CHECK BY SEPTEMBER 1, 2025, AS THE UNCASHED CHECKS WILL BE VOIDED SEPTEMBER 2, 2025. IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO LOCATE YOUR UNCASHED CHECK, PLEASE EMAIL A REQUEST FOR A CHECK RE-ISSUE TO ALLISON AT BILLING@PREMA.COOP OR CALL THE OFFICE AT 308-762-1311.

Notes From Load Management

Since 2001, PREMA has offered some type of Load Management program. The strategy is to control load based on PREMA's monthly kW peak demand (May – September). By doing so, PREMA saves money on the wholesale power bill and this savings is then passed back to participants who are enrolled in the Load Management program.

The peak demand fluctuates each month. We use historical data to determine when to initiate control, which is calculated by using a six-year average of the past kW peaks for each month.

Keep in mind **ALL** groups can be controlled every day during the month of September. Load Control group status can be checked at www.prema.coop under the Irrigation tab. If you have any questions regarding Load Management feel free to call into the office at (308)762-1311 and ask to speak with Nick Paradeis.



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