



Okanogan County Electric Co-op Newsletter

June 2018

Office Info:

Summer Office Hours:
Mon - Thurs.
7 am - 5:30 pm

Our customer service call center is available 24/7/365 to handle most electric & propane concerns.

(509) 996-2228

OPEN HOUSE

Wednesday June 20th

93 W. Chewuch, Winthrop



Come Meet your Board Members and Staff
1 p.m. to 5 p.m.



- Refreshments
- Raffle items - Powercubes, hats, lightbulbs, Propane BBQ & more!!
- Arc Demo

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Generator Safety

Portable electric generators can offer many benefits when a long-term electrical outage occurs due to a storm. However, if generators are not used properly, things could turn deadly.

After Hurricane Katrina, for example, many people relied on generators. But the misuse of them caused five deaths, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The CDC also reported 51 cases of carbon monoxide poisoning.







Residential Generators *What to know before you buy.*

IMAGE	INSTALLATION TYPE	PRICE	OPERATION	CAPACITY	LENGTH OF OPERATION
	permanent	expensive	automatic	whole house	can be indefinite
	portable	more affordable	manual	partial	depends on fuel tank size

1. Permanent generators start upon loss of grid power. They also exercise themselves automatically.
2. Depending on size, portable generators can power: refrigerator, pumps (well, sump, septic), furnace, some lights, stove.
3. Permanent models offer significantly longer operating times.



Protecting the Methow Valley's Dark Sky

<p>1 Light only what you need</p> 	<p>2 Use energy efficient bulbs and only as bright as you need</p> 	<p>3 Shield lights and direct them down</p> 
<p>4 Only use light when you need it</p> 	<p>5 Choose warm white light bulbs</p> 	<p>6 Join IDA! We need your help to continue the fight against light pollution.</p> 

Help us help you!!

- **Has your phone number or email address changed?**

Make sure we have updated contact information for you.

- **Did you know?**

If you sign up for e-bill notification only, and pay through the ocec.coop website using a checking account, we will refund the 60 cent convenience fee on your next billing statement.

- **Are you signed up for outage texting alerts?**

It's faster than email alerts.

Our system will only allow us to text to one phone number per account, but anyone can receive our text message alerts through our Twitter account by texting:

follow [ocec_info](https://twitter.com/ocec_info) to the number: 40404

We are happy to help you with changes to your account. You can email info@ocec.coop with questions or call our office.

