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# Okanogan County Electric Co-op

### October 2019 Newsletter

# Pay Your Propane Bill Online!!

Okanogan County Energy, Inc. is now offering an online payment option at www.okanogancountyenergy.com

- · Easy to register and use
- Check account balance
- · Pay with a credit card
- Request a propane delivery



To sign up you need:

- Customer ID (6 letters)
- Account Number (numbers)
- · Info is located on your invoice or fuel slip

Call us at (509) 996-2228 during business hours with questions or to request your Customer ID and Account #.

#### **OCEC Board of Directors:**

Sara Carlberg (scarlberg@ocec.coop) | John Kirner (jkirner@ocec.coop) | Chris Legler (clegler@ocec.coop) | Michael Murray (mmurray@ocec.coop) Ray Peterson (rpeterson@ocec.coop) | Dale Sekijima (dsekijima@ocec.coop) | Alan Watson (awatson@ocec.coop)

# **OCEC Board Opening**

There will soon be an opening on the OCEC Board due to the impending resignation of a board member who is moving out of the Valley. Per OCEC by-laws, the remaining Board members will select the replacement from qualified applicants. This replacement will serve through March and will need to run in the next Board election this coming April. If you are interested in being on the OCEC Board, please contact OCEC Board member Michael Murray at mmurray@ocec.coop or Sara Carlberg at scarlberg@ocec.coop.

### OCEC Line Crew Install Raptor Habitat



Recently OCEC linemen installed raptor habitat atop a dead tree in the town of Winthrop's Homestream Park. An arborist limbed the dead tree to eliminate dangerous snags. Lineman used OCEC's large bucket truck with a reach of over 50ft to install the platform. The platform will provide a location for raptors to build nests away from powerlines.

## BPA Low Income Energy Efficiency Program

Okanogan County Electric Cooperative Inc. (OCEC), is researching the need in our service territory for low-income weatherization paid for through BPA's Low-Income Energy Efficiency Program. OCEC would partner with Okanogan Community Action Council if there is enough demand in the OCEC service area. The program requires the following eligibility:

• Household income must not exceed 200% of Federal Poverty Level or 60% of state median income, whichever is greater. The income levels are based on household income and size. Example: For a family of 4, the household income must not exceed approximately \$4,100 monthly income for the federal level or \$4,400 of monthly income for the state level.

- Must be an active OCEC member.
- Home must be primarily electric heat (not with wood or propane).

#### Examples of uses:

- Insulation
- Weather-strip
- Doors & Windows
- Ductless Heat Pump

If we have enough interest and eligibility we can move forward on this project. If you or someone you know may be eligible for this program please contact OCEC, phone 509-996-2228 or physical address 93 West Chewuch Rd, Winthrop WA, e-mail info@ocec.coop, or mailing address: PO Box 69 Winthrop WA 98862.