

# August 2021

## Newsletter



### How can you help OCEC?

We all know that with our hot dry summers comes the chance of wildfires. Many of you are working to "Firewise" your property and be better prepared for the possibility of wildfires. One more action you can take will help OCEC crews locate your transformer in the event of an emergency. Clearing a path to and around your transformer will allow easier access to the structure and if fire was to come through it would reduce the fuels burning up to and damaging the structure. A small amount of clearing can make a big difference.



If you are unable to safely clear around your transformer or have questions you can send photos to [info@ocec.coop](mailto:info@ocec.coop), this email is checked during business hours.

Do not dig near power poles and do not clear tree limbs that are touching power lines, report them to OCEC and linecrews will safely remove those.

### Hours:

Monday - Thursday  
7:00 AM - 5:30 PM

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## 2021 OCEC Revolving Loan Funds

OCEC awarded a total of \$70,000 in Revolving Loan Fund loans to Winthrop Ice & Sports Rink and Rendezvous Huts in July.



Pictured are Winthrop Ice & Sports Rink Board President, Paul Butler and OCEC CFO, Lynn Northcott

OCEC has loaned out over \$1.5 million since the Revolving Loan Fund program started in 1998. Examples of equipment and improvements funded by this program are ambulances, jaws of life, new sewer systems, backhoes, pool improvements, braille equipment and snowcats. OCEC would like to thank the USDA for their continued support of this program.

## Go Paperless!

Do you check your email more often than your mailbox these days?

Want to be more environmentally friendly this year?

Paperless E-Bills might be just right for you.

With a quick call to 509-996-2228 during business hours or email to [info@ocec.coop](mailto:info@ocec.coop) we can get you set up to reduce your paper clutter this year!

We offer auto pay options too!