



# June 2024

## Newsletter

### WILDFIRE MITIGATION PLAN

OCEC operations staff will be monitoring the weather and conditions daily as we move into the heat of summer and will notify the membership via text alert or email when conditions warrant a change to our system processes.

If you are not already signed up for our text message alerts, please call (509) 996-2228 during office hours or go to the Member Services section of [www.ocec.coop](http://www.ocec.coop) to sign up for the text alerts.

We are making strides to increase our communication with the membership and keep you informed. To better assist you, we want to remind you that we have tools that will allow you to manage your account, receive text notifications, and communicate with our staff virtually by sending an email regarding specific account questions. Information on how to sign up for SmartHub is available on our website.

We encourage all our members to have their own wildfire preparedness plan in place including establishing your own loss of power emergency plan for your household. Check out the resources available in the Methow Valley at [www.methowready.org/](http://www.methowready.org/).

Below is our Wildfire Mitigation Plan weather alert matrix.

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Weather Conditions	Communicated "Level" to Membership	Field Recloser Status	Substation Recloser Status	Changes in OCEC Work or Processes?
Normal	None	Normal	Normal	None
Elevated	Yellow	Altered to "non-reclose" or "one-shot" status	Normal	Increased awareness of fire risk in the field, daily tracking of current and forecast weather
Red Flag Warning	Red	Altered to "non-reclose" or "one-shot" status	Altered to "non-reclose" or "one-shot" status	May delay all overhead equipment work depending on location and conditions, daily tracking of current and forecast weather

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# PROPANE STAFF CELEBRATES WINTHROP '49er DAYS

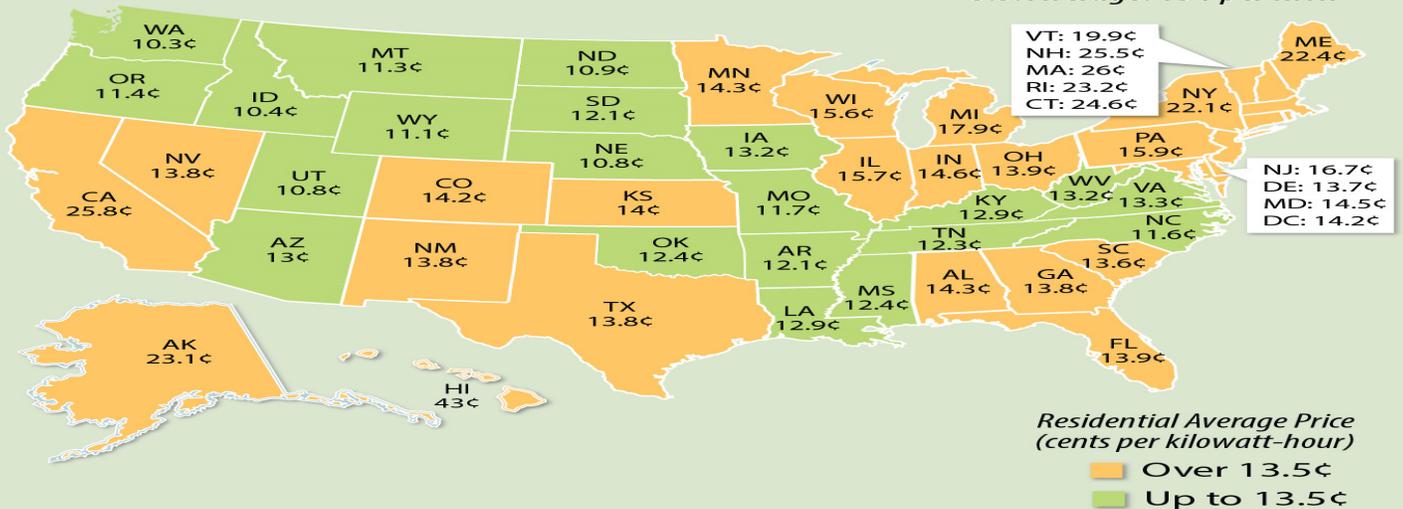
Okanogan County Energy propane technicians Dan Ayers & Jimmy Barnhart and Okanogan County Electric Line Foreman Chris Zahn had fun participating in Winthrop's annual 49ers Day Parade.



## Average Prices for Residential Electricity

2022 figures, in cents per kWh

U.S. Average: 15¢ per kWh



Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration  
Numbers rounded to nearest tenth of a cent

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