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Panhandle Rural Electric Membership Association

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## APRIL 10TH IS NATIONAL LINEMAN DAY!



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Thanks for powering our  
lives through rain, wind,  
and snow over the 2700  
miles of line you service.



**July 21 - 25, 2025**

High school students, grades 9-11  
Camp Comeca, Cozad, Neb

If you are interested in applying for this all-expense paid camp, complete the application form and return it to your local electric system.

To be eligible for this year's camp you must:

- currently be in the 9th, 10th, or 11th grade
- be sponsored by a Nebraska Rural Electric Association member-system
- complete the application form and return it to your local electric system.

**Registration  
Deadline  
May 23rd**

**YOUTH ENERGY LEADERSHIP CAMP  
APPLICATION FORM**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Age \_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Name of parents \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Name of your sponsoring rural electric system

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**Load Management**

Signups for Load Management are complete. We have 348 accounts on board for the 2025 irrigation season. Load Management participants will be receiving a letter outlining what groups each account will be assigned to. We have started the process of programming the load control switches with the assigned group for each account. We will also be installing switches on accounts that do not currently have one. Owners/operators please take the time to inspect your equipment and disconnect switches for proper operation. Please call Nick at 762-1311 with any questions.

If you have any changes to your account, please contact Allison at [billing@prema.coop](mailto:billing@prema.coop) or (308)762-1311.

# Congratulations to the two of you!



We here at PREMA would like to congratulate Burton Anthony on his retirement this January after 30 years of service!



We are also pleased to announce the promotion of Chris Macy from Hyannis Lineman to our new Hyannis Foreman!

## SUMMER ⚡ SAFETY FOR KIDS

To learn more about safe outdoor play visit:

 **Safe Electricity.org**



- Fly kites in large open spaces away from overhead power lines.
- Always check trees for nearby power lines before climbing. Choose another tree if lines are close by.
- Keep long tools like pool skimmers stored and secure when not in use. They can be long enough to reach electrical lines connected to the home.
- Ensure all outdoor outlets have ground fault circuit interrupters (GFCIs) to help prevent electric shock.
- Recognize the green metal boxes in yards contain electrical equipment and are not toys.

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- (1) mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture  
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights  
1400 Independence Avenue, SW  
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410
- (2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or
- (3) email: [program.intake@usda.gov](mailto:program.intake@usda.gov)



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