



Connections



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Load Management Receiver Testing

Jackson Electric Cooperative will be testing load management receivers throughout the summer months, beginning in June. Students have been hired by the Cooperative and will be testing the receiver located next to your meter on the outside of your home.

These temporary employees of Jackson Electric can be identified by the Jackson Electric logo on their t-shirt and Cooperative vehicle and an ID badge.

If you have any questions or concerns

regarding the receiver testing process, please contact our office.



Peak Alert Full Load Control Hours

Peak Alert Full Load Control is possible during the months of June, July, and August between 1 and 5 p.m. When our power supplier, Dairyland Power, issues a Full Load Control, notifications are announced on WWIS and WAXX affiliated radio stations and on Jackson Electric's Facebook page. Information can also be found on our website at www.jackelec.com; click on the "Residential Load Control" tab.

This program is an effort to reduce peak load and meet future capacity obligations of our power supplier.

Payment Options

Jackson Electric offers several convenient payment options:

- Online Bill Paying at www.jackelec.com.
- Automatic Payment Withdrawal – the amount of your electric bill is withdrawn from your bank account on the 5th day of each month. Contact our office to sign up or go to the Bill4U site at www.jackelec.com.
- Mobile Bill Paying App – download to your Android or Apple smart phone.
- Mail – due to delays in the mail service, please allow enough time for your payment to reach our office.
- 24-hour secure drop box located at our office.
- Phone-in with a credit or debit card. VISA and MasterCard only.

Summer Energy Rate in Effect June to August



Jackson Electric's summer energy rate is \$0.1280 per kWh; dual fuel energy rate is \$0.0900 per kWh, June to August electric usage. The winter energy rate is \$0.1130 per kWh; dual fuel energy rate is \$0.0600 per kWh, September to May usage. The summer energy rate is higher because the Cooperative pays more for wholesale power during the summer months. Wholesale power is more because of the greater demand for electricity during the hot days of summer.

Summer Concert in the Park

Tuesday, June 30 • 7 p.m.

Music by Dixieland Express

Lunda Park Bandshell
Black River Falls

Jackson Electric Cooperative will be handing out a special gift to the first 50 concert-goers. Make it a date night with a free gift and music.

Listen to WWIS 99.7 for last minute cancellations.

Heat Pump Rebates Available

Cool off this summer with an energy efficient heat pump. Rebates are available to Jackson Electric Cooperative members who purchase and install a qualified energy efficient electric heat pump on our service lines in 2015. Contact our office to request a rebate form or download the form at www.jackelec.com. Most area HVAC dealers are familiar with the rebate program.

- Geothermal - \$500 per ton
- Air Source - \$250 per ton. Check with Jackson Electric or your HVAC dealer for qualifying units.

Right-of-Way Clearing Update

Right-of-way clearing or ROW is being done in the Hatfield and Merrilan areas. Contracted crews are maintaining the right-of-way with the intent to keep tree branches and brush away from high-voltage power lines.

Please note these crews are not finished with the clearing process. Several members have questioned the clean-up procedure. Once the cutting is complete, crews will return to the cleared areas and cleanup the waste.

We ask for your patience during this process.

Let's Stay Connected

Keeping your account information up-to-date is important for us to communicate with you. Please contact our office of any changes in property ownership, mailing address, phone or e-mail contact information, and name changes.

When You Move

If you plan to move from your location, please notify us of the date you are vacating and the service disconnect date. You are responsible for the electricity used while the account remains in your name. Our office will need your forwarding address and telephone number.

You Can't Always See the Hidden Dangers After the Storm

The month of June is typically the start of the spring storm season. To keep you and your family safe following a storm, remember to stay away from downed power lines and be alert to the possibility that tree limbs or debris may hide an electrical hazard.

Assume that any dangling wires you encounter are energized and dangerous. If you are driving and come upon a downed power line, stay in your vehicle, warn others to stay away, and contact emergency personnel or electric utility.

Source: SafeElectricity.org



**WASH EARLY OR
WASH LATE**
11 am - 7 pm

You Can Make A Difference!

Cooperative members can help keep electric rates affordable for everyone. Just shift energy use to before 11 a.m. and after 7 p.m. summer weekdays.

Do the Summer Shift

Total members participating	My cooperative saves
 1 \$11.37
 7,462 \$84,843

Cooperative membership

It's a picnic!

Jackson Electric Cooperative's

Annual Member Picnic in the Park

Tuesday, August 11, 2015

3:30 to 6:30 p.m.

**Lunda Park Upper Shelter
Black River Falls**



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