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Challenging Farm Season Ahead

Our farmers and their families are local heroes, and we would like to recognize them this month. We are in very challenging times and the issues that the country is facing are some of the same issues that the farmers will face this season. The most obvious hurdle on the horizon is the rising cost of fuel. There are also supply chain shortages which could mean that farmers may not be able to get the things that they need to be efficient. The tools of their trade, be it equipment, fertilizer or seed, may not be as readily available. If they are available, it will more than likely be at a higher cost. Farmers could also struggle getting the chemicals that they need and if that happens, they could require more fuel for tillage of their crop. That will only increase the amount that they will need to spend on fuel, which leads us back to the rising cost of fuel. If we are faced with a drought this season, their costs will go up even more. Finally, with the current situation in Ukraine, the market remains volatile which, in the end, could affect the sale of their crop.

Turn the page to recognize the heroes in our community.

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Our farmers work very hard to help bring food to our dinner table. At the start of a possibly very challenging season, we at High West would like to recognize that our farmers are the backbone of the communities we serve.

We salute you and thank you for your time, dedication and perseverance as you work to provide for us.



High West Energy Recognizes Military May

This month we recognize another special group in our community, our servicemen and women, as well as their families.

At High West Energy, we're proud of the many veterans within our electric cooperative. In addition to providing safe, reliable and affordable energy, we care for the veteran community and show our appreciation through our actions and ongoing commitment to them and their families. With longstanding ties to F.E. Warren Air Force Base, High West is dedicated to honoring the base and those who have sacrificed to serve and protect America.

May is officially marked as Military Appreciation Month, an entire month to recognize those who have served. On Monday, May 30, High West will take time off to observe Memorial Day to remember the lives lost while serving in the United States military.

WE HOPE YOU'LL TAKE THE TIME TO THANK OUR COMMUNITY'S SERVICEMEN AND WOMEN THIS MAY AS WE CELEBRATE AND HONOR THEIR SACRIFICE ALL MONTH LONG!

HWE Offers New Military Discount

SAVE 10% ON ALL MATERIALS

As a way to show support and say “thank you” to those who serve or previously served in uniform, High West Energy, High West Wiring and High West Digital Solutions offer a ten percent discount on all materials purchased. Those who are active-duty members of the U.S. military, serve in the National Guard or are a veteran are eligible for the discount.

You do not need to be a co-op member to take advantage of this discount. Simply let High West know how you qualify when you request service or ask for a bid on a project. Please note, this discount is not applicable to High West Energy members' monthly electric bills or on any labor provided.



Military May Appreciation Barbeque

HELP US BREAK LAST YEAR'S RECORD!

This year's annual Military May Appreciation Barbeque will be **SATURDAY, MAY 21**. We're hoping to break last year's record when more than 400 people attended the BBQ. All active-duty military and veterans, as well as their families, are invited to attend and enjoy a free lunch, beverages and activities for the whole family. The event will be held at our Cheyenne Service Center, located at 3302 I-80 Service Road in Cheyenne. More details to come so please check our website for more information closer to the event.



MAY 05	CINCO DE MAYO
MAY 08	MOTHER'S DAY
MAY 21	ARMED FORCES DAY
MAY 21	MILITARY MAY APPRECIATION BBQ
MAY 30	MEMORIAL DAY



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85th Annual Meeting

AN ONLINE EVENT



Jared Routh
CEO / General Manager

As we approach the summer months here at High West, we typically think about our Annual Meeting and the opportunity to gather with our members. It is a time to share the successes of the past and our plans for the future of our cooperative.

While we had initially considered a hybrid meeting, with both an in-person and online option, we have decided to hold our Annual Meeting on a virtual platform for 2022 that will take place on June 16.



There were many things that we considered while planning for the meeting this year, including cost, logistics, member outreach and future Annual Meeting plans, to name a few. Since we are holding a virtual-only meeting this year, it could allow us to hold regional meetings to get to know our community and members and to share upcoming strategies and initiatives.

We continue to pride ourselves on providing our members with safe, reliable and affordable electricity. As we work through 2022, we continue to battle supply chain issues related to obtaining the necessary materials and equipment at an affordable price. The pandemic wreaked havoc on most companies and industries and we are no stranger to these continuing effects. The cost reduction from moving to a virtual platform from an in-person meeting will be easily absorbed in the material price increases.

THURSDAY
JUNE 16TH
6:00^{PM}

We hope you join us online for the business meeting and for a chance to win prizes!

We want you to know that we will miss seeing you in person this year, but we encourage you and your families to attend the virtual meeting to hear from your cooperative. Over the coming months, we'll share more updates about this event and how we will bring all presenters and conversations straight to your device. We will also offer some great prizes for everyone to have a chance to win! As we all know, we cannot predict the future, so we hope to see you in person at future meetings and events. We thank you for the opportunity to serve you.

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Meetings are typically held on the fourth Monday each month.

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