



# POWER OF COMMUNITY

A Grassroots Program of Oregon Electric Cooperatives

## A 10-Year Energy Plan is Good (An Everyday Energy Plan is Even Better)

Gov. John Kitzhaber has initiated a 10-year energy plan to address the ongoing energy needs in the state of Oregon.

The plan will explore many aspects of the industry, including energy efficiency, renewable energy and making sure the state has the necessary resources and infrastructure to provide Oregonians reliable electricity.

These are important topics, and Central Electric stands ready through our membership in the Oregon Electric Cooperative Association to work with the governor and his team on this important planning document.

For electric cooperatives, this is more than a binder on a shelf. These are topics we think about not just every decade, but have thought about each and every day for the past 70 years.

Since 1941 Central Electric Cooperative has been pleased to offer carbon-free, renewable electricity through the Bonneville Power Administration.

In addition to providing low-cost hydroelectricity, Oregon's electric cooperatives have made conservation and energy efficiency a centerpiece of our efforts, as well as maintaining the poles and wires to keep the lights on. Along with your local utility staff and your locally elected board of directors, CEC actively invests in our communities.

There will be important issues to explore in the next 10 years—and beyond. We look forward to working with the governor to implement a workable, common-sense plan for 24,000 members of Central Electric and the 176,000 members of Oregon's other electric cooperatives.

In the meantime, we will not change what you have come to count on for the past 70 years: affordable and reliable electricity, each and every day. ■

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