

June
2024



Beyond the Wire

Central Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc.



**DON'T LET BAD ENERGY
POLICIES MELT YOUR
SUMMER PLANS.**

JOIN VCP TODAY.

As a member of the electric cooperative family, you know the vital role electric co-ops play in ensuring always-available access to reliable, affordable power in New Mexico.

We need your help now: stand up to federal regulators who want to shut down dependable power sources.

The Energy Information Administration (EIA) projects that U.S. power demand will reach its highest levels in 2024 and 2025. Despite this, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is moving forward with regulations that threaten to close always-available power plants and make it harder to build new ones.

With a growing reliance on electricity to power our economy and everyday lives, **elected officials NEED to prioritize rational policy that helps keep the lights on.** But these new burdensome regulations will strain America's electric grid and increase the risk of rolling blackouts.

PROTECT RELIABLE POWER IN NEW MEXICO TODAY!

Voices for Cooperative Power is a grassroots network of electric co-op employees, board members, consumer-members and community stakeholders dedicated to transforming rural and suburban communities, shaping the future of local electricity and ensuring affordable and reliable power for all Americans.

Our Impact: Last summer, over 100,000 VCP members submitted letters to the EPA, stressing the impact the EPA's regulations would have on their co-op and access to affordable, reliable power. **IT'S TIME FOR MORE ACTION!**

Energy demand in New Mexico and across the nation is reaching record highs. We need you to act now and tell the White House to stop the EPA's new proposed rule that would limit your access to reliable, affordable power.

Make your voice heard now by going to <https://voicesforcooperativepower.com/epa-act-now>.

McCrea Named CVE Attorney

Bob McCrea has been named Central Valley Electric Cooperative's corporate attorney. He is a partner with the firm Henninghausen, Olsen & McCrea, LLP in Roswell.

Bob received his bachelor's degree in accounting from Pepperdine University in 1995 and his Juris Doctor degree from Washburn University in 2005. He is a member of the State Bar of New Mexico, the American Bar Association, the Chaves County Bar Association, the New Mexico Society of Certified Public Accountants, and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.



Does Your Home Need a Checkup?

Does your home need a checkup? Let Central Valley Electric Cooperative help by providing a free Home Energy Audit. We are contracted with Green Medal Energy to perform no cost weatherization for your home.

Includes:

- duct sealing
- air leakage reduction (caulking, weatherstripping, etc.)
- efficient LED bulbs

Green Medal Energy has experienced, licensed, and insured employees ready to help you save energy and money.

Call CVE at 575-746-3571 today, to get signed up for your FREE audit.



Welcome New Employee



Ethan Griffin
Apprentice Lineman

Central Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc.

PO Box 230 • 1403 N. 13th St. • Artesia, NM 88211
(575) 746-3571 • (575) 752-3366 Hagerman
(575) 746-4219 fax • www.CVECOOP.org

Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Monday - Friday)