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Power Up Your Classroom!

Teachers, are you ready to spark some excitement in your Grade 5 science lessons?







Battle River Power Coop offers a FREE, hands-on electrical safety presentation that's as engaging as it is educational! Our program includes a cool PowerPoint, real lineman gear, and the fan-favorite *Hazard Hamlet*—a tabletop town that shows what NOT to do around electricity. It's interactive, curriculum-aligned, and best of all, it's completely free.

Parents, here's where you come in: if this sounds like something your kids would love (and trust us, they will), share this with their teacher! Teachers can book a session by emailing brpc@brpower.coop. Let's work together to keep our kids safe and curious about the power that lights up their world!

New Residential Rate

We've introduced a new Residential Rate that could mean an average 41% savings for eligible members that are currently on a fixed Distribution Tariff (DT) rate.

Don't wait! We're only accepting 50 applications per month on a first-come, first-served basis.

You may qualify if:

- ➤ Your site uses less than 9,000kWh yearly
- You're a single household using power mainly for domestic purposes
- ➤ You have a single meter at standard capacity

Available for both individual & corporate-owned residential properties.

READY TO **SAVE?**

Call our Utility Billing team at 1.877.428.3972 and ask about the residential rate.

Save the Date for our Safety Breakfast!

We're partnering with Utility Safety Partners to bring an exciting Utility Safety Breakfast to Camrose! Watch our social media channels and our newsletter for more details.





Safety First, Always

At Battle River Power Coop, safety is more than a policy. It is part of who we are. Every quarter, our entire team comes together for a company-wide safety meeting. For field staff, these sessions happen more often. Most months, they meet to discuss ways to improve job tasks, explore learning opportunities, and share knowledge so everyone benefits from the experience of the team.

Why do we put so much emphasis on safety? Because it matters. Safe work practices mean fewer incidents, less downtime, and more efficient operations. Most importantly, it means every team member goes home safely at the end of the day. That is a commitment we take seriously for our employees, our members, and the communities we serve.

This month, our operations and vegetation teams completed bucket escape and pole top rescue training. Our crews rely on bucket trucks and climbing poles to keep power flowing, but emergencies can happen. Practicing these scenarios before they occur ensures our teams are ready, because preparation saves lives.

Take a look at some photos from the training below. It is just one more way we are working to keep safety at the heart of everything we do.







Meal to the Field Winners

Thank You for Making Meal to the Field a Success!

A big thank you to everyone who entered our Meal to the Field contest this year. We are so grateful to the dozens of members from across our service area who took the time to nominate a hardworking crew. Your stories remind us why we love supporting rural life and the people who power it.

Deliveries are already underway. Keep an eye on our social media accounts for photos of the harvest crews enjoying a well-deserved meal in the field.

Congratulations to this year's winners:

Warren Bloomquist
Joni Bjorge
James & Helen Hampshire
Brian & Prudence Harris
Karen Hofstra
Everly Larson
Melvin Marinoski
Nelson Valley Farms
Daniel Padilla
Laine Weslosky

National Tradesmen Day

On September 19th, we celebrated National Tradesmen Day!

Ever wonder who keeps the lights on in rural Alberta? Spoiler alert: it's not magic, it's our incredible team of tradespeople!

From climbing poles to wiring barns and trimming trees, these folks do it all. Let's check out what a day in their boots looks like!

- Powerline Technicians Scaling heights to keep power flowing.
- Electricians Wiring, upgrading, and troubleshooting like pros.
- Arborists Branch managers who keep our lines clear.

Big thanks to every tradesperson out there—you're the real MVPs of rural life!

Interrupted Mail Service

In light of the interruption to mail delivery caused by the postal service strike, we want to ensure that you have access to reliable and convenient methods for paying your bills. With paper bill delivery interrupted, please be aware that your bill payment is still due on the Current Charges Due Date.

To avoid any missed bills or payments, we encourage you to register for e-billing by calling the Battle River Power Coop (BRPC) office at 1 (877) 428-3972. When you switch to e-billing, you'll also save \$1.00 per month in administration fees! Visit BRPower.Coop for alternative options that are available to help you manage your account during this time.



Message from the Board

As the fields turn golden and harvest season is in full swing, we want to take a moment to thank the farmers in our community. Your hard work feeds not only Alberta, but the world, and we recognise the long hours and dedication it takes to bring in the crop.

It is humbling to think about how much has changed over the years. Before rural electrification, our forebears worked from sunrise to sunset without the benefit of electric lights or power tools. When the sun went down, the work stopped. Harvest was harder, slower, and more uncertain.

That all began to change when a group of determined neighbours came together with a bold vision: to bring electricity to rural Alberta. They rolled up their sleeves, dug the holes, set the poles, and strung the lines, often in harsh conditions, because they believed in a better future for their families and communities. They saw the transformational potential of electricity and made it a reality.

Today, we are proud to carry on that legacy. The conveniences we enjoy, the opportunities we have, and the thriving communities we live in are all part of the promise they worked so hard to fulfil. As members of Battle River Power Coop, we share in that responsibility to preserve and strengthen this legacy for our children, grandchildren, and generations to come.

Thank you for being part of this story.

The Board of Directors
Battle River Power Coop

Stay Up to Date with Battle River Power Coop

If you have had any changes to phone numbers, email addresses, mailing address or wish to add other contact details to your account, please connect with us toll-free at 1.877.428.3972 or email: brpc@brpower.coop and we will ensure your account is updated.

Other ways you can stay in the loop with Battle River Power Coop:

- Visit our website www.brpower.coop.
 The website offers on-line account access for members to review their accounts.
- Battle River Power Coop also communicates on popular social media platforms – Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and YouTube.
- Download our Outage App from our website. Our Outage App is updated with the most current information on outages in our service area.

Want to help others learn about our Cooperative?

Scan the QR Code with your phone's camera, click on the link, and leave us a review!





RATE OF LAST RESORT

The Rate of Last Resort (RoLR) is a fixed monthly rate set at \$0.13000 per kWh until the end of December 2026. Detailed information on the RoLR is available on: www.brpower.coop.

Members are free to purchase natural gas services or electricity services from a retailer of their choice. For a list of retailers, visit ucahelps.alberta.ca or call 310-4822 (toll free in Alberta). Code of Conduct Regulation: Advertising Section 7(1).