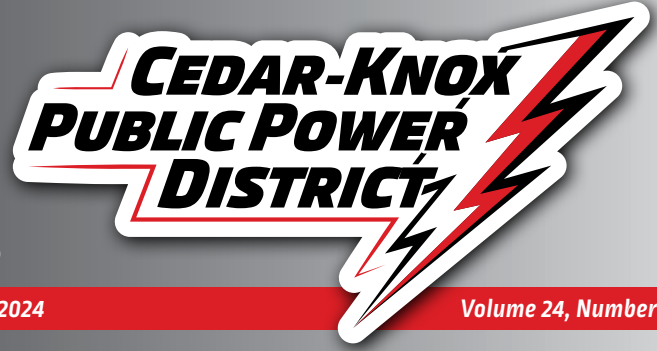


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ELECTRICAL SAFETY DURING HARVEST

Harvest means long hours, increased stress, and tight schedules. Because of that, CKPPD wants to remind farmers that it can only take a split second for someone to come into contact with electricity. Regardless of experience any person on your farm is at risk of becoming injured or killed due to an electrical contact.



To keep those on your farm safe not only during harvest but year-round, follow these electrical safety tips:

-  Educate everyone of potential electrical hazards (overhead lines & poles).
-  Emphasize safety over speed to everyone on the farm, especially during busy seasons like harvest.
-  Encourage drivers and operators to position grain augers in their lowest position and to lower truck bed boxes before moving. Be especially cautious of overhead lines when using augers in the field to load trucks on the road.
-  If equipment contacts a power line, utility pole or guy wire, instruct the driver to stay in the cab and call 9-1-1 or CKPPD. Give instructions from 50 feet away and inform everyone else to stay back until CKPPD can de-energize the line or make sure the scene is safe.
-  Encourage folding and unfolding to be done well into the field not at the fields edge, which could have power lines running next to it.
-  Do not store irrigation pipes, hay bales, machinery, or anything else under power lines.
-  Be aware of power line locations in the proximity of grain bins. Always load and unload on the side without power lines. Contact CKPPD with questions about grain bin power line clearances.



National Voter Registration Day is September 17th this year.

National Voter Registration Day is the perfect time to ensure that you are registered to vote and ready for the presidential, state and local elections in 2024.

Take 30 seconds to register to vote, check on your registration status, or update your voter registration after a move or name change at www.NationalVoterRegistrationDay.org.

OUTAGE?

REMEMBER

TO CALL!!



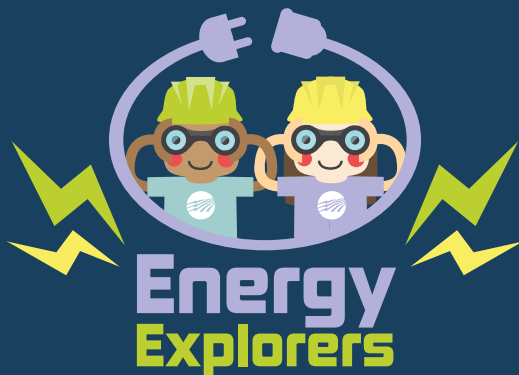
Should you have a power outage, please remember to give us a call at (402) 254-6291 or (800) 891-5196. By reporting your outage promptly, you contribute to the restoration process. It helps our linemen identify the affected areas, dispatch crews, and find the issue sooner to get your lights back on. At this time, please do not report your outage to us by email or social media. Your phone call is very important!!

PREPAREDNESS MONTH WORD SEARCH

Did you know September is National Preparedness Month? There are several ways you and your family can be prepared for an emergency.

Read the tips below, then find and circle the bolded words in the puzzle.

(Use the word bank as a guide.)



PREPAREDNESS TIPS:

Keep a list of emergency **phone numbers** in a location that's easy to find.

Learn about different types of **emergency alerts** and understand what they mean.

Make an emergency **kit** that includes items like flashlights, batteries, water, non-perishable food and a First Aid Kit.

Designate a **safe area** in your home in the event of a severe storm. This should be an area in the center of the home, away from windows.

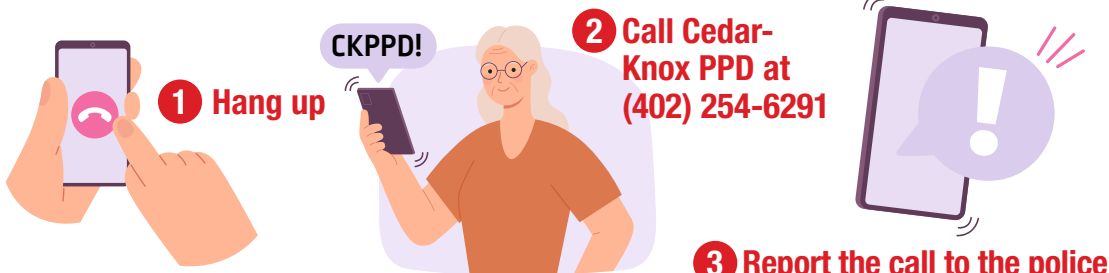
Make sure **smoke alarms** are installed on every floor of your home and outside bedrooms. Test alarms every month to ensure they're working properly.



WORD BANK: phone numbers, emergency, alerts, kit, safe area, smoke alarms

SCAMS

Scammers can strike anyone at any time. Often, they can say you have a past due utility bill as a ploy. Don't fall victim to their deception. Here's what to remember:



By calling into our office, our personnel will speak to you about your account. That way we can be sure you know where you stand with your account and your recent payments. Frequently, scammers will request a specific form of payment and/or ask for payment within a certain timeframe.

IT DAY

National Information Technology (IT) Professionals Day is celebrated on September 17th this year. On this day, we at Cedar-Knox PPD are especially thankful for our on-site IT and Security Director, Mark Kuehn. We strive to stay on the cutting edge of technology offerings in-house & to our customers, and Mark helps us to operate seamlessly. He provides tips to be sure we all are aware of cybersecurity risks, while maintaining our entire network.



Thank you Mark, for keeping us current with all our evolving needs each and every day!!

REMITTANCE REMINDERS:

If you mail in your payment, please follow **all** the recommendations below:

- Enclose your remittance stub – this is how we post your payment to the correct account
- DO NOT use staples, tape, or fold – these get stuck in our payment processing machine and cause issues posting your payment
- Use only blue or black ink – our imaging software can only read these colors