Another Year of No Rate Increase

Idaho Falls Power (IFP) is happy to announce that the current residential electric rate of 6.25 cents per kilowatt hour will remain the same! All other non-residential and industrial electric rates will also remain unchanged.

Idaho Falls Power’s electric rates are amongst the lowest in the state and in the nation. The state average for residential is 7.96 cents per kilowatt hour. The national average for residential is 10.54 cents per kilowatt hour.

Customers will continue to benefit from low electric rates, but they may notice the Power Cost Adjustment (PCA) disappeared from their utility bill as of October 1. The PCA is a credit given to customers in years when abundant hydro generation creates surplus revenue for the utility that we can return to our customers. This is the benefit of being served by a not-for-profit utility. Unfortunately, as we all know, this past year we experienced one of the worst snowpacks in the past 50 years. We are hoping for a good snowpack this winter so we can return the PCA credit next year.

General Manager, Bear Prairie noted in a public statement that “the Idaho Falls Power and Fiber team worked hard over the past year and budget period through efficiency gains, budget trimming, and other measures to enable the utility to avoid raising rates for the fourth year in a row. This comes at a time also that our industry, and others, are facing extreme inflation in our equipment and material costs.”

Anyone with questions regarding rate and fee changes can contact our office at 208-612-8430. All IFP fees, along with all City of Idaho Falls fees, can be found at www.idahofallsidaho.gov.

2020 Annual Report Now Available

Read all about Idaho Falls Power in the 2020 Annual Report. The utility released the annual report in August highlighting electric and fiber improvement projects and statistical and financial data for 2020.

The report is available online at www.ifpower.org. Customers are also welcome to pick up a printed copy at our office, located at 140 S. Capital Ave.
Celebrating Your Utility

October is a time of celebration at Idaho Falls Power – recognizing the utility’s 121st birthday and the simple fact that we’re a public power utility. The first week of October (Oct. 3-9, 2021) is designated in the United States as Public Power Week to recognize the benefits and contributions public power utilities make to building strong communities – including the City of Idaho Falls.

What is public power?

Simply put, public power is community owned power. That means the decisions about how the utility is run are made by people who live and work in the community, not corporations. Public power utilities are rooted in, and committed to, the communities they serve. They invest revenues directly back into the community.

Idaho Falls Power, which first started operation in October 1900, is the largest public community owned utility in the state, as it operates and maintains six hydropower generators at five plants. IFP continues to keep electric costs low for customers in the tradition of public power, boasting one of the lowest rates in the state and the nation.

The spirit of community owned utilities continues in Idaho Falls today. Not only do we provide electricity, but access to the world’s fastest internet. Idaho Falls Fiber, which is a division of IFP, has created one of the largest, non-profit, community owned fiber networks in the United States.

The fiber network started in 1998 to improve the city’s communication infrastructure. By 2002, the utility started leasing the fiber strands commercially to boost economic and business growth in Idaho Falls. The network took another major another step in 2019 when the City Council approved the residential fiber-to-the-home expansion following a successful residential fiber pilot project.

This past fiscal year, the network opened access to close to 10,000 customers and is on track to achieve its goal of reaching every City of Idaho Falls resident by 2024. Once this is achieved, around 25,000 residential customers will have access to the network.

To learn more about, or to sign up, for Idaho Falls Fiber, visit www.idahofallsfiber.com. Inquiries can also be made by calling, 208-612-8725.

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