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# 80 Years of Powering Our Communities

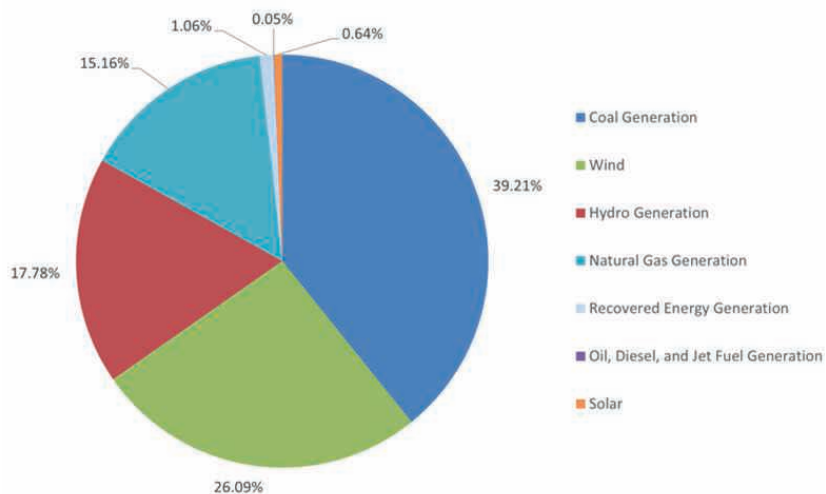


**Jordan Lamb**  
CEO

Founded in April of 1946, Oahe Electric Cooperative was built by rural residents determined to bring electricity to their communities when others would not. Investor-owned utilities often chose not to serve sparsely populated areas, but our founding member-owners stepped up to create a cooperative focused on reliability, affordability, and local control. This April, we proudly celebrated our 80th anniversary – honoring that legacy and, most importantly, the member-owners who continue to guide everything we do.

That commitment remains unchanged today. Delivering reliable, affordable power is still our top priority, and we accomplish it through an “all of the above” generation strategy. Our 2025 generation mix (shown in the accompanying pie chart) reflects a balanced portfolio designed to perform in all conditions – combining dependable baseload resources with flexible, modern generation to keep costs stable while ensuring reliability for our members.

We are also investing in the future to meet growing demand and strengthen our system. The recently completed Pioneer Generation Station provides 580MWs of efficient, on-demand power, while the Bison Generation Station – a 1,500 MW facility currently in design and construction – will further enhance long-term reliability. These investments reflect our continued commitment to you. As we celebrate 80 years, thank you to our member-owners for your trust and support – we look forward to powering our communities for generations to come.



## COOPERATIVE CONNECTIONS

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#### Our Mission

Oahe Electric delivers high quality, low-cost electric service to our local member-owners. As a Touchstone Energy® Cooperative, we are committed to meeting the highest standards of customer satisfaction. We do business with accountability, integrity, innovation and commitment to community. As an electric co-op, we are part of America's most trusted network of high quality energy providers.

## Save the Date: 75th Annual Meeting

It may be hard to believe, but annual meeting season is already here – and we're looking forward to gathering once again with the members who make our co-op strong.

Please mark your calendars for Oahe Electric Cooperative's 75th Annual Meeting, scheduled for Saturday, September 19, at Larkspur Landing in Pierre, SD.

As a member-owner of Oahe Electric, your participation matters. Annual meetings are an important opportunity to stay informed about your cooperative's progress, hear updates on current operations, and play an

active role in shaping the future of the co-op you own.

At Oahe Electric, we value your input and ideas. Whether you have suggestions for improving the annual meeting, thoughts on cooperative programs, or feedback you'd like to share, we encourage you to reach out. Your voice helps guide our cooperative forward.

We hope you'll plan to join us for this special milestone as we celebrate 75 years of cooperative connection and community. More details will be shared soon – we look forward to seeing you in Pierre!

## Oahe Electric to Hold Director Elections

During the annual meeting, the members present will be electing two board members, one from each district, to fill two, three-year position. Any individual who satisfies the qualifications and complies with the nominating procedures set forth on page 7 should be prepared to:

- Attend regular monthly board meetings held at Oahe Electric headquarters in Blunt, S.D.
- Attend annual and other special meetings as needed
- Attend director seminars or other outside meetings that provide necessary education on matters related to financing, electric rates, power requirements and legal issues of concern to rural electric members
- Provide an important and necessary link between member-owners and management staff of the Cooperative
- Serve as an extension of the rights and responsibilities of the cooperative member-owner. Joining with other directors of the cooperative, they try with honesty, consistency, and good conscience to make decisions and set

policy for the cooperative which are in the best interests of the cooperative and the membership as a whole

Petitions are available at the headquarters in Blunt. Should there be any questions concerning the bylaw procedures or if you would like to request a petition, feel free to call or stop in at the office. Petitions are due by Aug. 5, 2026.



## Cooperative Advantage Survey

Oahe Electric is seeking your feedback and opinions on our performance and how we can better meet your needs. Your feedback will be helpful in shaping the way utility cooperatives serve their members in the future. If you haven't already, we would greatly appreciate 5-10 minutes of your time to fill out this confidential survey based on your experiences.



# NATIONAL SAFETY MONTH: PLUG INTO WHAT MATTERS

Safety is a word that shows up in mission statements, meetings and job sites across every industry. At its best, it reflects preparation, awareness and responsibility.

That's where the difference shows.

Electricity doesn't leave room for shortcuts. It demands attention, consistency and respect every day. For your local cooperative, that responsibility is built into the work.

The job goes beyond delivering power. It protects the people who build and maintain the system and the communities who rely on it. Reliable and affordable electricity matters, and so does making sure every crew member goes home at the end of the day.

That outcome takes focus, repetition and a culture where doing things right matters more than doing them fast.

### Built on the Right Habits

Linework is demanding and, at times, dangerous. It's also highly structured. Crews follow national standards designed for utility work. Protective equipment isn't optional. Procedures aren't suggestions.

Before a job begins, it's planned. Crews walk through the work, identify risks and make sure everyone is aligned. Communication stays constant.

What happens after the job matters just as much. Near-misses are tracked, reviewed and discussed to understand what happened and prevent it from happening again. Over time, those lessons build a stronger, more prepared workforce.

Everyone is expected to look out for each other. If something doesn't look right, it gets said. That accountability turns policies into habits.

Contractors working alongside cooperative crews are held to those same expectations.

### Extending Beyond the Jobsite

The work doesn't stop at the edge of a right-of-way. Because crews live in the communities they serve, that responsibility carries beyond the job.

Your local cooperative shares electrical safety information through schools, events and outreach. It's simple advice that helps prevent accidents.

June is National Safety Month. Most electrical injuries are preventable, and small decisions matter.

Leave electrical work to qualified professionals. Don't overload outlets. Stay clear of downed power lines and report them. If something looks off, whether it's a damaged transformer or an open substation, say something.

### Take the Extra Moment

Electricity is easy to take for granted. But the systems behind it, and the people maintaining them, depend on careful decisions.

When a task involves electricity, take a moment. Look twice. Think it through.

That pause can make all the difference.



### "Be safe, lineman!"

#### Renn Ronning, age 8

Renn urges the line crew to stay safe on the job. Thank you for sharing your picture, Renn! Renn's parents are Justin and Katrina Ronning from Elk Point, S.D.

Kids, send your drawing with an electrical safety tip to your local electric cooperative (address found on Page 3). If your poster is published, you'll receive a prize. All entries must include your name, age, mailing address and the names of your parents. Colored drawings are encouraged.

# Easy & Delicious FAMILY MEALS

## TACO SOUP

### Ingredients:

- 1 lb. hamburger, cooked and drained
- 1 28 oz. can red or kidney beans
- 1 28 oz. can petite diced tomatoes
- 1 14 oz. can corn
- 1 pkg. taco seasoning

### Method

Put all ingredients into bean pot. Microwave for 20 minutes. Serve with shredded cheese and corn chips. Do not drain liquids.

**Marla Gilbert**  
Southeastern Electric

## QUICK PORK CHOP DINNER

### Ingredients:

- 4 pork chops
- 2 tps. prepared mustard
- 2 tbsps. flour
- 1/2 tsp. salt or Mrs. Dash
- Dash of pepper
- 2 tbsps. fat or oil
- 1 10 oz. can of chicken rice soup or chicken broth
- 1/2 cup water
- Add onion, potatoes, carrots, garlic powder to taste

### Method

Spread mustard over pork chops and sprinkle with flour, salt and pepper. Brown thoroughly in fat or oil in pressure cooker. Add chicken soup and water. Add vegetables and cover. Set control at 10 and cook 12 minutes or 35 minutes if you add vegetables. Cool pan for 5 minutes, then reduce pressure.

**Ruth Konechne**  
Central Electric

## CARAMELIZED HAM & SWISS SLIDERS

### Ingredients:

- 12 Hawaiian dinner rolls, split
- 1/4 cup horseradish sauce, optional
- 12 slices deli ham (or 24 if it's thinly sliced)
- 6 slices Swiss cheese, cut in fourths (so you have 24 squares of cheese)

### Sauce

- 1/2 cup butter
- 1/4 tsp. onion powder
- 2 tbsps. brown sugar
- 1 tbsp. Dijon mustard
- 2 tps. poppy seeds
- 1-1/2 tps. Worcestershire sauce
- 1/4 tsp. garlic powder

### Method

Spray a 9x9 or 9x13 glass dish with non-stick cooking spray. Set aside. Preheat oven to 325°. Spread roll bottoms with horseradish sauce (if using). Fold up pieces of ham to fit the rolls and place them on the bottom halves of the roll. Next, place 2 squares of cheese, replace roll tops and place in a single layer in the prepared pan.

In a small skillet, heat butter over medium-high heat. Stir in remaining ingredients. Pour over rolls. Cover with foil and bake covered for 20 minutes. Remove foil and bake 5 more minutes. \*These can also be made ahead of time. Just cover with foil and refrigerate for several hours or overnight. Bake as instructed.

**Jerald and Virginia Jensen**  
Sioux Valley Energy

Please send your favorite recipes to your local electric cooperative (address found on Page 3). Each recipe printed will be entered into a drawing for a prize in December 2026. All entries must include your name, mailing address, phone number and cooperative name.

Picture by Shutterstock.

## Construction Season In Full Swing at Oahe Electric



**Matt Eldridge**  
COO

Thanks to a mild winter and an unusually dry spring, our crews were able to get an early start this year. We have several major projects underway throughout the spring and summer, many of them in partnership with K&H Electric from Linton, N.D.

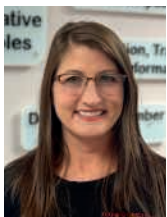
### Overhead-to-Underground Conversion – S.D. HWY 14/83

Our first major project is the conversion of an overhead three-phase power line to an underground line just east of Pierre along S.D. HWY 14/83. This work includes installing 14 miles of underground cable. Once installation is complete, we will transition all consumers along the route to the new underground system. After every consumer has been converted, the existing overhead line will be retired.

### New Underground Line – 206th Street

Another project on the east side of Pierre, along 206th Street, involves installing six miles of new underground power line. Much of this line is entirely new construction and will provide a two-way

## Tiny Tabs – Tremendous Difference



**Valerie Marso**  
CFO

It all started years ago when our daughter, Sydney (now 25), took part in a friendly elementary school competition to see which class could collect the most tabs. It seemed like such a simple thing – tiny pieces of aluminum that most people toss without a second thought. But as I like to tell people, “it’s for the kids!” And that was all it took. The competition ended, but I never stopped.

Over time, this “little habit” turned into a full-blown operation. I now have quite the crew helping me out. Friends, family, and even the employees at Oahe Electric – they’ve all been trained well. You show up with a beverage, you leave with a mission: save the tab.

Once a year, I load up my collection – at least five gallons’ worth, often more – and take it to the Ronald McDonald House Charities houses in Sioux Falls. It might not look like much to the untrained eye, but those tabs add up in a big way.

Pop tabs are pure aluminum. They’re easier to store, easier to transport, and cleaner than whole cans. When donated, they’re recycled, and the money goes directly toward helping cover operating expenses for the houses. It’s a small act with a big impact.

And that impact matters. The Ronald McDonald House provides a place for families with children under 21 who are receiving medical treatment at nearby hospitals. If they live far enough away, they can stay there for free or at a very low cost. It gives families something priceless during incredibly stressful times: a place to rest, regroup, and stay close to their child.

feed to the industrial area east of Pierre along S.D. HWY 14/83, improving reliability and flexibility in the system.

### Substation Upgrades – Electronic OCR Installation

This year we are also upgrading all substation OCRs to electronic units. Many of our current hydraulic OCRs date back to the 1960s. The new electronic OCRs will allow us to monitor load changes and interruptions directly through our computer system, giving us better visibility and faster outage response capabilities.

### Cow Creek Substation

Our final major project is the new Cow Creek Substation, built by East River Electric on 199th Street just north of the Grey Goose area. We expect to energize this substation in May. Once online, it will feed north toward the Spring Creek area and south toward Grey Goose. This added capacity and flexibility will greatly improve our ability to reroute power during storms or outages.

It’s shaping up to be a busy construction season until the snow flies again. If you need a new service installed or work done on your existing electric service, please reach out sooner rather than later at 1-800-640-6243.

For a long time, this cause was meaningful to me in a general, “helping others” kind of way. But a few years ago, it became more personal. One of my brothers had a prematurely born baby, and they stayed at a Ronald McDonald House while he grew stronger. Suddenly, those tabs weren’t just tabs anymore. They were part of something real – something that helped my own family when they needed it most.

That’s why I keep going. That’s why I’ll keep asking, reminding, and yes – occasionally embarrassing people into handing over their tabs.

Because the truth is, this is one of the easiest ways to make a difference. You don’t need to donate money. You don’t need to volunteer hours of your time. You just need to do one small thing: don’t throw the tab away.

Put it in a jar. Toss it in your glove compartment. Start a collection at work, at school, at events – wherever you are. It takes almost no effort, but when we all do it together, it adds up to something big.

**This year, Oahe Electric is challenging all members to join the effort! Start saving your pop tabs now and bring them to our Annual Meeting on Saturday, September 19.** Whether you collect them in a jar at home, your vehicle, at work, or with friends and family, every tab counts. Together, let’s see how big of a difference we can make as a cooperative. Small actions add up – and with the power of our membership, we can turn something tiny into something truly meaningful for families in need.

So the next time you crack open a can, think twice before you toss that little piece of aluminum. Somewhere, a family is going through one of the hardest times in their life – and your tab can help make it just a little bit easier. Let’s come together as a cooperative and prove that even the smallest things can create a powerful impact.

## Load Management: A Collective Effort



**Steve Long**  
Power Supply Specialist

### What is load management & why should you care?

Load management is a straightforward approach: we temporarily reduce electricity use during peak demand times,

when everyone uses the most power. This helps maintain reliable service and helps keep energy costs more affordable over time.

When demand for electricity spikes – hot summer afternoons or cold winter days – the cost of power increases. To avoid these higher costs, which over time impact the rates our members pay, we work together to reduce overall demand for short periods of time.

### How it works

When members choose to participate, a few of your larger appliances – like your water heater, air conditioner, or irrigation system – are connected to a small control device.

During peak times:

- East River sends a signal to each load management device
- It temporarily shuts the appliance off completely or – for air conditioners – cycles it on and off
- This typically lasts for a short duration – around 1 to 2 hours for water heaters, and repeated 15-minute on/off cycles for air conditioners throughout the control period

Most members don't notice the load control, but it has a significant overall impact.

### What you get in return:

- Rebates and/or bill credits (*Page 10*)
- Discounted rate
- Lower overall electric rates over time

### Why It Matters

Oahe Electric doesn't just pay for how much energy is used – they also pay extra based on the demand used during East River Electric's set peak for each month.

Think of it this way: It's not just how much electricity is used over time – it's how much is being used all at once.

By reducing demand at these peak times, this program saves Oahe Electric and its members an estimated \$300,000 every year. Those savings help keep rates lower for everyone, not just those enrolled in the program. The more members who participate, the more money that is saved collectively as a cooperative.

### Time for an upgrade

Some of the devices currently installed use older communication technology that – in the next few years – will stop working and will no longer be supported.

To keep the load management program functioning properly (and keep those savings coming), we're upgrading to newer, more reliable equipment.

### What's the plan?

- We plan to replace all remaining older devices by the summer of 2029
- The remaining upgrades (about 500 homes) are primarily located just outside Pierre and Grey Goose area.

### What to expect when it's your turn

Many of these devices are inside homes, so we'll contact you ahead of time.

The installation process is quick and simple. It takes less than an hour, there's usually no interruption to power, and it's no cost to you!

It's fast, simple, and handled by our team. It also gives us the opportunity to identify whether any recently installed water heaters or heat pumps qualify for available rebates that might have otherwise been missed.

### In Short

Load management is a team effort:

- You allow temporary control to select appliances
- Oahe Electric avoids high power costs
- Members benefit from available incentives and lower rates over time

### How do I know if East River is currently controlling?

Visit [www.oaheelectric.com](http://www.oaheelectric.com), then go to the "Member Services" dropdown and select "Load Management." From there, click "Current Load Control Status".

There, you can view the control status for different types of loads. In most cases, you'll only need to focus on the following:

- Air Conditioners
- Irrigation (3 groups)
- Water Heaters (Please contact us if you would like to know your group)

The load status will show whether your load type is **ON** or **OFF** – **OFF** indicates that the load is currently being controlled.

We're here to help – please contact us with any questions about load management, incentives, or related information.

## Bylaws Governing Election of Directors

**Section 4. Qualifications.** No person shall be eligible to become or remain a Director or to hold any position of trust in the Cooperative who:

1. Is not a member and a bona fide resident of the area served by the Cooperative; or
2. Is in any way employed by or financially interested in a competing enterprise, a business selling electric energy or supplies to the co-op or a business primarily engaged in selling electrical or plumbing appliances, fixtures or supplies to the members of the Cooperative; or
3. Is an employee of the Cooperative, or who has been, within 5 years of the proposed

election or appointment, been an employee of the Cooperative.

The determination of residency, as required by this section, shall be determined by application of objective criteria to be set forth in policy adopted by the Board of Directors.

**Section 5. Nominations.** Any 15 or more members acting together may make nominations by petition received at the principal office of the Cooperative not less than 45 days prior to the meeting and the Secretary shall post such nominations at the principal office of the Cooperative. The Secretary shall mail with the notice of the

meeting, or separately, but at least 10 days before the date of the meeting, a statement of the number of Directors to be elected and the names and addresses of the candidates nominated by petition. There shall be no nominations from the floor unless no petition has been filed for a vacancy. In that event only, nomination shall be taken from the floor for that vacancy, and nominations shall not be closed until at least one minute has passed during which no additional nomination has been made. No member may nominate more than one candidate.



The rotor is lifted out of the generator unit using two cranes. This component of the generator will be reused once other parts are replaced.  
Photo Submitted by USACE

# RENEWING RIVER POWER

## Fort Randall Dam Undergoes Multiyear Renovation

**Jacob Boyko**  
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A 72-year old hydropower dam in southeast South Dakota is the first of the state's four mainstream Missouri River dams to undergo a substantial retrofit to improve the facility's efficiency and reliability.

Fort Randall Dam, which began operating in 1954, was built near Pickstown, South Dakota, through the Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program. The program was included in the Flood Control Act of 1944 by Congress to dam the Missouri River at multiple points to improve the region's water management, irrigation, flood control and navigation while also generating much-needed hydropower. (See Pages 12-13 for more on how the program came to be.) A marvel at the time of its construction, the two-mile-long rolled-earth dam holds back 5.4 million acre-feet of water in Lake Francis Case. The dam's eight turbine generators have a maximum generating capacity of 320 megawatts – enough electricity to power about 245,000 homes.

Now, more than seven decades later, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is looking to boost those numbers and revitalize the aging dam with state-of-the-art, 21st-century technology to ensure the facility keeps up with the region's modern energy demands.

Overseeing the multi-year project is Maintenance and Operations Manager Michael Schenkel, who's spent the last 14 years at the Fort Randall Project overseeing the facility's maintenance, operation and planning. Schenkel says while the dam's eight original 72-year-old generators and turbines have served reliably, a renewal will improve the project's operation.

"Like many aging public assets, it's time for reinvestment," Schenkel said. "The turbine-generator units were installed in the

1950s and are beyond their expected service life. We're replacing them to ensure long-term energy and infrastructure resilience."

He pointed out that the USACE got its money's worth with the original generators, saying how rare it is for a generator to last over 70 years without needing a rewind – referring to the process of replacing the stators, or the copper windings and insulation that help convert the turbine's rotation into electricity. Over time, heat, vibration and age can weaken that insulation and increase the risk of failure. Schenkel noted that Fort Randall is the only Missouri River dam in South Dakota that has retained its original stators up to this point.

The scale of the units pose a significant challenge – each unit is 40 feet tall and weighs more than 400 tons, necessitating piece-by-piece transport, assembly and installation. Voith Hydro North America, the company awarded the contract to manufacture and install the new turbine runners and generator stators, began the decommissioning and replacement of the first generator in July of 2025. USACE expects that generator to be offline until November 2026 after installation is complete and engineers can inspect it for any issues. Once the first unit is back online and clears inspection, engineers will give the contractor the green light to proceed. To keep up with hydropower demand and allow adequate flow downstream, USACE's goal is to keep six units operating and two units offline for renovation at a time until the project is wrapped up in 2031.

Schenkel explained how the upgrade solves two problems at once: it replaces aging components in the dam and provides the opportunity to install new, highly efficient generators and turbines to produce more power with the same amount of water.

Fort Randall's original turbines generate hydropower most efficiently with 103 feet of head – the vertical distance between the water levels above and below the dam, determining the pressure at which water moves through the turbine. At 103 feet of head, each generator will produce about 31 megawatts of electricity.

However, due to the region's fluctuating power demands, water

management and other factors, operating in the efficient middle ground isn't always ideal. Schenkel says USACE often operates Fort Randall at 40 megawatts and 119 feet of head – about 4% below peak efficiency.

To solve this problem of lost efficiency, the new turbines being installed are highly-efficient, rated for 52 megawatts at 119 feet of head. This change raises the facility's total generating capacity from 320 megawatts to about 400 megawatts – enough electricity to power more than 300,000 homes.

“We expect to recover roughly 10% more energy output from the same water volume,” Schenkel said. “Essentially free power beyond the capital investment once the upgrade is complete.”

As part of the renovation, USACE also completed as-needed updates to the switch yard, which is the infrastructure that routes power to transmission lines for transport across the region.

Electricity generated at the Fort Randall Dam is managed, transported and sold by the Western Area Power Administration under the U.S. Department of Energy.

As a co-op member, part of your utility's energy mix is hydropower from the Missouri River dams, including Fort Randall, “so this work directly affects co-op members,” Schenkel added.

Looking at the dam's age and efficiency profile – and also being the only dam in South Dakota possessing its original stator windings – Schenkel said Fort Randall was the clear priority. The USACE has begun planning a similar renovation project for the Oahe Dam.

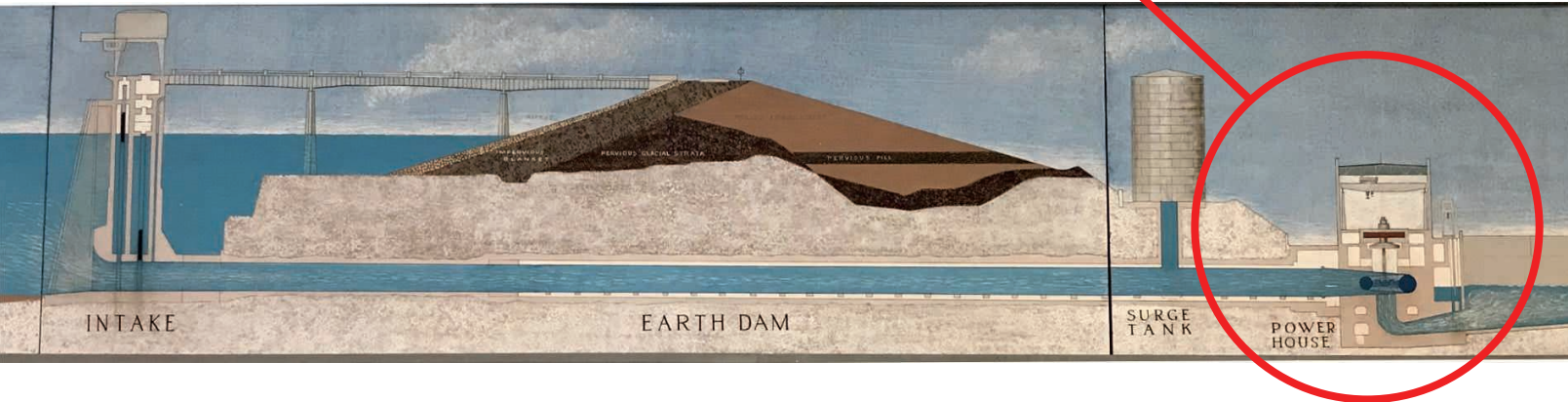
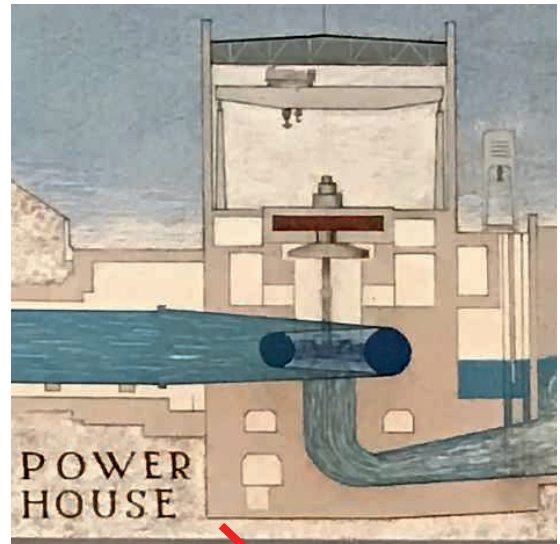
Work at the Fort Randall Project is scheduled to wrap up in 2031 once all eight generating units are replaced.



Above: The Fort Randall Dam is equipped with eight turbines. Unit 6 turbine is shown being removed for the first time since it went online in 1955.

Below & Right: A visual of Fort Randall Dam. Water flows into the powerhouse via the intake tunnel. As the water passes through, it spins the turbine. The rotor, connected to the turbine, spins inside the stator. As the rotor spins inside the stator, its magnetic field passes through copper windings and produces electricity.

Photos Submitted by USACE



# Incentives & Rebates for Oahe Electric Members

(Effective 01/2026)

## ELECTRIC HEATING SYSTEMS

All heating equipment must be new. Members are eligible for one heating rebate once every 10 years per structure. (One additional rebate for ductless heat pump/mini-split under 2 tons is allowed)

1. Electric Furnace OR Electric Boiler OR Resistance Heat (7.5 KW minimum)
  - 100% efficient
  - \$200 Rebate
  - 6¢ per kwh for heating usage
2. Air Source Heat Pump / Ductless Air Source Heat Pump (Mini-split) WITH Electric Furnace Backup (Must be 2 ton or above)
  - 250% efficient
  - \$600 Rebate
  - 6¢ per kwh for heating and cooling usage
  - Must meet the DOE manufacturing standards for HSPF efficiency
3. Ductless Air Source Heat Pump (Mini-split under 2 tons) - must have existing submeter or qualifying new build.
  - 250% efficient
  - \$300 Rebate
  - 6¢ per kwh for heating usage
  - Must meet the DOE manufacturing standards for HSPF efficiency
4. Geothermal Source Heat Pump
  - 350% efficient
  - \$600 Rebate
  - 6¢ per kwh for heating and cooling usage

## SUB METERS

All electric heating and cooling systems will have their usage recorded by a sub meter. Oahe Electric must be notified by member or electrician of the need for sub meter installation.

- Sub meter must be installed on the outside of the structure.
- If breaker to sub meter is turned off, all usage will be billed at the regular rate of 9¢ per kwh, instead of the reduced rate of 6¢ per kwh
- Air conditioning must be controlled by load management to receive reduced rate of 6 cents per kwh. Minisplits are not able to be controlled.

## WATER HEATERS

All water heaters must have a lifetime warranty or a 10-year manufacturer warranty for tank leakage, a minimum of 50-gallon capacity and be controlled by load management. Members are only eligible for rebates once every 10 years per structure.

- \$6 per gallon rebate
- \$4 monthly bill credit

## COMMERCIAL LIGHTING

Commercial accounts are eligible when replacing less efficient lighting with more efficient lighting. Must have a minimum of 250 watts in lighting reduction to qualify.

- 20¢ per watt reduction rebate
- Maximum payment per structure is \$1,000

## THIRD-PARTY IRRIGATION AND/OR GRAIN DRYER MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

Must be able to receive notice regarding load control via email, text or voice with less than a 15-minute delay. Also must provide Oahe Electric with customer bypass information.

- One-time, \$1,500 rebate per device

## A Livesaving Resource

At Oahe Electric, safety and community care go hand in hand. That's why we're proud to offer publicly accessible emergency equipment located right in our entryway – available to anyone, anytime, 24/7/365.

In addition to our Automated External Defibrillator (AED), we have also installed two Emergency Overdose Kits. An AED is designed to help save lives during sudden cardiac arrest, while Narcan (naloxone) in the overdose kits can rapidly reverse the effects of an opioid overdose.

Both kits are simple to use with step-by-step instructions, so bystanders can take action in critical moments while waiting for emergency responders.

By keeping this lifesaving equipment unlocked and accessible, we hope to provide an added layer of safety for our employees, and community. In an emergency, every second counts – having access to these tools could make all the difference.

We're committed to doing our part to keep our community safe and are proud to offer these resources to those who may need them most.



# Your Co-op's Thank-You Notes

*Oahe Electric Cooperative,*

*On behalf of LifeScope, the employees of East River Electric Power Cooperative would like to thank you for your support and generous donation for the 62nd Annual LifeScope Benefit. This year was a great success! The support and dedication of businesses like yours is truly appreciated, not only by the East River employees, but also your community. With your help, over \$38,000 will be donated to LifeScope.*

*We look forward to your continued support for this worthy organization. The funds we raise help local children lead fulfilling lives. We are looking forward to next year's 63rd annual benefit!*

*Sincerely,  
East River Employees' Committee*

*Dear Oahe Electric Cooperative,*

*During Volunteer Appreciation Month, we extend our sincere thanks to everyone at Oahe Electric for your continued partnership. Your repeated commitment to volunteering with Feeding South Dakota reflects a shared dedication to saving our communities. We are grateful for your support and look forward to continuing this meaningful work together!*

*Thank you,  
Feeding South Dakota*

*Oahe Electric Cooperative,*

*Thank you for recognizing me through your scholarship fund. I am excited to attend the University of Utah next fall.*

*Thank you,  
Carson Glodt*

*Oahe Electric,*

*Thank you for the Oahe Electric scholarship for 2026-2027. I will be attending Lake Area Technical College in August for nursing. I'm grateful for the \$1,000 to use for educational expenses.*

*Chesley Clair*

## Congratulations to Class of 2026

Oahe Electric Cooperative extends its heartfelt congratulations to all our graduating seniors. This is a remarkable milestone, and we are proud of your dedication and perseverance.

After years of hard work, long nights of study, and countless challenges, you've earned your diplomas – and every bit of recognition that comes with them.

As you step into the next chapter of your journey, we wish you continued success, fulfillment, and happiness in all that lies ahead. Your future is bright, and we're excited to see where it takes you.



**Oahe Electric,**

**Thank you for coming to Jefferson to present to the third graders today. We always appreciate you coming in, setting everything up, and sharing your expertise with us. And, as always, you do such a great job teaching at their level. Thanks for making it meaningful, engaging, and hands-on. The kids (and teachers) enjoyed it. Have a great weekend,**

**Amber Stout**



# THE PICK-SLOAN PLAN

## Taming North America's Longest Waterway

Jacob Boyko

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In the 1930s, both the upper Missouri River and its home in rural America looked notably different than they do today.

That was a period in which electricity was still a luxury enjoyed by townfolk lucky enough to have a municipal or investor-owned utility serving the community. As rural neighbors founded electric cooperatives to serve their homes, the once-primitive prairie quickly began to light up. And with that step into the modern age came the growing need for more electricity.

At this same time, the 2,300-mile-long Missouri River passing through seven states in the region was proving to be an untamable, destructive force for the communities and agriculture producers on its banks.

The floods would wreak havoc on riverside cities like Omaha, Kansas City, St. Louis, and Mississippi River communities like Memphis and New Orleans during swells, disrupting economic activity and trade. During low-flow years and toward the end of summer, the low water levels made navigation extremely difficult for barge traffic.

These problems had been ongoing. All the way back in 1933, President Franklin D. Roosevelt's New Deal constructed the Fort Peck Dam near Glasgow, Mont. There, the nearly 4-mile-



long and 250-foot high rolled-earth dam created Fort Peck Lake, stretching 134 miles across eastern Montana and generating up to 185 MW of electricity. Even so, the federal government understood more work was needed to fully rein in the power of the Missouri.

### Competing Visions: Pick vs. Sloan

Lewis A. Pick, an officer with the US Army Corps of Engineers, and William G. Sloan, an official with the Bureau of Reclamation, each had a vision for the future of the Missouri River Basin.

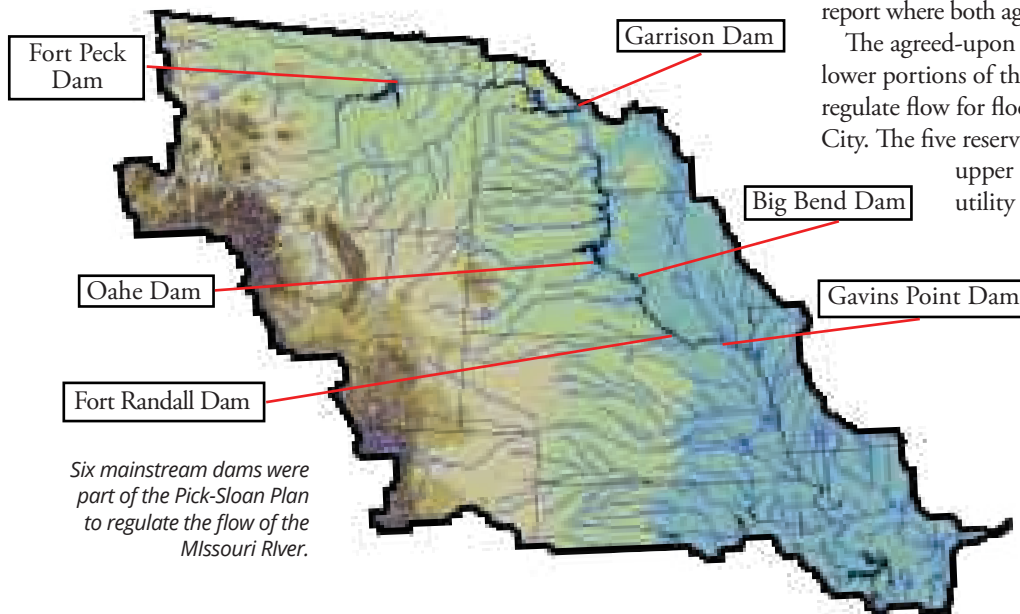
Pick envisioned large dams on the main channel of the Missouri River with a focus on flood control and navigation downstream in the lower Missouri River basin. His plan included five main-channel dams with levees from Sioux City, Iowa, to the river's confluence with the Mississippi River in St. Louis, Missouri.

Sloan, on the other hand, wanted the projects to benefit the upper Missouri River basin, with a focus on water storage for irrigation and agricultural development. Sloan recommended dozens of smaller dams with hydro-electric power plants.

The battle between the USACE and DOR was contentious, but it became clear that no side could garner enough support on its own to pass a project with price tags of about \$1 billion each.

Finally, in 1944, USACE and DOR released a joint engineering report where both agencies' goals for the basin were represented.

The agreed-upon plan would benefit both the upper and lower portions of the basin, with five hydro-power dams to regulate flow for flood control and navigation past Sioux City. The five reservoirs would store water for uses in the upper basin, including irrigation, recreation, utility systems and hydropower generation.



Oahe Dam during construction in 1958. Photo Courtesy of S.D. State Historical Society

## Fort Randall Dam (1946-1954)

**Location:** Pickstown, S.D.

**Length:** 10,700 feet long – over 2 miles!

**Height:** 165 feet at highest point

**Generating Capacity:** 8 hydroelectric generating unites producing up to 320 MW. (See pp. 8-9)

Completed in the 1950s, Fort Randall was the first of South Dakota's mainstream Missouri River dams to come online, generating hydropower for the region and changing the river from a threat into a resource. The Fort Randall Dam creates Lake Francis Case, named for South Dakota's US Senator and Pick-Sloan advocate Francis Higbee Case. The reservoir can store about 5.3 million acre-feet of water (enough water to flood 5.3 million acres at a depth of 1 foot).

## Garrison Dam (1947-1955)

**Location:** Riverdale, N.D.

**Length:** 11,300 feet long – over 2 miles!

**Height:** 210 feet at highest point

**Generating Capacity:** 5 hydroelectric generating unites producing up to 583 MW.

Garrison Dam creates lake Sakakawea, which stretches across western and central North Dakota. The reservoir is the largest on the Missouri River, holding more than 23.5 million acre-feet of water. The dam is named after the nearby town, Garrison. Controversially, the lake flooded the homes of the Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara tribal nations.

## Oahe Dam (1948-1963)

**Location:** Pierre/Fort Pierre, S.D.

**Length:** 9,360 feet long – about 1.8 miles!

**Height:** 245 feet at highest point

**Generating Capacity:** 7 hydroelectric generating units producing up to 786 MW.

Oahe Dam sits north of Pierre and Fort Pierre, forming Lake Oahe. The reservoir can hold about 23 million acre-feet of water. Oahe Dam has the highest generation capacity, producing enough electricity to power about 600,000 homes.

The dam and lake's name came from the Oahe Indian Mission established more than 70 years before. The mission's site, as well as other communities and tribal lands, were submerged beneath the reservoir.

## Gavin's Point Dam (1952-1957)

**Location:** Yankton, S.D.

**Length:** 8,700 feet long – about 1.6 miles.

**Height:** 74 feet at highest point

**Generating Capacity:** 3 hydroelectric generating unites producing up to 132 MW.

The farthest downriver dam on the Missouri, Gavin's Point is a dam essential for controlling the water levels for downstream barge traffic starting at Sioux City on the Missouri River and all the way down to New Orleans on the Mississippi River. The dam creates Lewis and Clark Lake on the South Dakota-Nebraska border, with a storage capacity of 492,000 acre-feet of water.

## Big Bend Dam (1959-1966)

**Location:** Fort Thompson, S.D.

**Length:** 10,570 feet long – about 2 miles.

**Height:** 95 feet at highest point

**Generating Capacity:** 8 hydroelectric generating unites producing up to 439 MW.

The final mainstream Pick-Sloan dam to be completed on the Missouri River, Big Bend Dam creates Lake Sharpe, holding about 1.7 million acre-feet of water.

## The Good and the Bad

A lot of good came from the Pick-Sloan Plan: affordable hydropower for communities throughout the region and water storage to mitigate drought and reduce flooding.

However, a project of such magnitude will also naturally have downsides. University of South Dakota Professor David Swanson says the disruption of

natural patterns has affected ecology for riverside habitats.

Cottonwood seedlings need wet, sandy soil to germinate – without spring floods, it's hard for new trees to establish. Today, there are fewer young cottonwoods growing.

In addition, birds like the least tern that nest on sand bars struggle to find suitable ground, affecting populations.

The reservoirs also flooded more than 1 million acres of land along the Missouri River, some held by private landowners and tribes, and displaced about 6,000 people from land where their families had lived for generations.

In South Dakota, several former communities lay beneath Lake Oahe, including parts of Polluck and Forest City.

Between Chamberlain and Oacoma, American Island was once a statewide destination for boy scouts, with its miles of forest, camp with cabins and bathhouse, racetrack. Today, it sits below dozens of feet of water in Lake Francis Case.



American Island's locally-famous animal statues were moved before Lake Francis Case flooded the island. Photo Courtesy of the Cozard Memorial Library



Tribal leader George Gillette wipes tears as land is seized for the Garrison Dam. Photo Courtesy of National Archives

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 Food, Dancing, Parade  
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 Thurs. 5-8 p.m.  
 Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m.  
 Sat. 9 a.m.-4 p.m.  
 Rushmore Hall  
 at the Monument  
 Rapid City, SD

**JUNE 5**  
**Northern Bull Riding Tour**  
 Prairie Village  
 Madison, SD

**JUNE 6**  
**Bulls 'n' Pulls**  
**Antique Tractor Pull**  
 Prairie Village  
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**JUNE 10**  
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 South Shore, SD  
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**JUNE 13**  
**Journey Into Uncovering Historic Pickstown**  
 9 a.m.-5 p.m.  
 Pickstown, SD  
 605-487-7299

**JUNE 13**  
**SGT Colton Levi Derr Foundation Charity Golf Tournament**  
 7:30 a.m. registration  
 8:30 a.m. start  
 Elks Golf Course  
 Rapid City, SD  
[www.sergeantderrfoundation.org](http://www.sergeantderrfoundation.org)

**JUNE 13**  
**Luce Pioneer Day**  
 10 a.m.-3 p.m.  
 Rope & Candle Making, Butter Churning, Dutch Oven Cooking  
 Lake Herman State Park  
 Madison, SD  
 605-880-5077

**JUNE 18-21**  
**Hartford Jamboree Days**  
 City Park  
 Hartford, SD  
 605-941-0809  
[www.hartfordjamboreedays.com](http://www.hartfordjamboreedays.com)

**JUNE 19-20**  
**Estelline Rodeo Days**  
 5:30 p.m. Mutton Bustin'  
 6 p.m. Rodeo (Both Days)  
 Estelline, SD  
[www.stellinerodeo.com](http://www.stellinerodeo.com)

**JUNE 19-20**  
**Farley Fest**  
 Milbank, SD  
 605-432-6656  
[www.FarleyFest.com](http://www.FarleyFest.com)

**JUNE 24-26**  
**Bruce Honey Days**  
 Bruce, SD  
 605-627-5671

**JUNE 24-27**  
**Crystal Springs Rodeo**  
 Clear Lake, SD  
 605-874-2996

**JUNE 26-27**  
**Buckhorn Rodeo**  
 Britton, SD  
 605-880-5077

**JULY 2-4**  
**USA 250th Celebration at Mount Rushmore**  
 Rapid City, SD  
[www.nps.gov](http://www.nps.gov)

**JULY 4**  
**Philip Volunteer Fire Dept. Annual Fireworks Display**  
 Celebrating 250 Years  
 Dusk  
 Philip, SD  
 605-685-3082

**JULY 8**  
**Tracy Area Gardens & Quilts Tour**  
 2-7:30 p.m.  
 Lakes Area – Shetek, Sarah, Gavin  
 Rain Date: July 9  
 Tracy, MN  
 507-629-3252  
[tracy.area.garden.quilts@gmail.com](mailto:tracy.area.garden.quilts@gmail.com)

**JULY 11**  
**40th Annual Spearfish Canyon Half Marathon & 5K**  
 Start: 7 a.m., Savoy, SD  
 End: City Park, Spearfish, SD  
 Register: [www.nhcasa.org](http://www.nhcasa.org)

**Note: We publish contact information as provided. If no phone number is given, none will be listed. Please call ahead to verify the event is still being held.**