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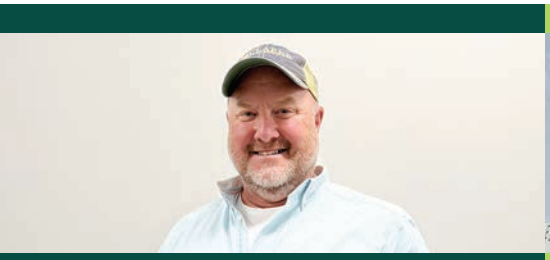

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A Familiar Face in a New Role

Chad McIntosh has officially begun his new role as CEO/General Manager of Clarke Electric Cooperative, bringing with him nearly three decades of experience and a strong understanding of cooperative values and operations.

Chad has spent 28 years with Clarke Electric, beginning his career in May 1998 as an apprentice lineman. Over the years, he worked his way through several roles, including journeyman lineman, construction foreman, and Manager of Operations. His experience across many areas of the cooperative has given him a practical, hands-on perspective that will serve him well in his new position.

A native of Osceola, Chad has a deep appreciation for the communities served by the cooperative and the people who make it successful.

"I'm honored to have the opportunity to serve as CEO," Chad said. "This cooperative has been a big part of my life and career, and I appreciate the trust that's been placed in me."

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Save the Date: Annual Meeting Sept. 15

Plan now to join us Tuesday, Sept. 15 as we celebrate the 85th Annual Meeting of Clarke Electric Cooperative.

Our annual meeting isn't just a gathering of neighbors, it's an opportunity to hear reports on co-op priorities and finances as well as the election of directors. As a member, you will receive a ballot in the mail closer to the Annual Meeting date to make your selection for the candidate who will represent you on the co-op board.

The event includes a drive-through event with food and appreciation gifts, followed by a business meeting at the co-op headquarters, 1103 N. Main St., Osceola.

If you're interested in serving your community and co-op and developing your leadership skills, consider running for a board position. Watch this newsletter for more information or contact the Clarke Electric office anytime.

NOMINATE A VOLUNTEER AND THEY COULD WIN $3,000 FOR THEIR FAVORITE CHARITY!

Submit entries at IowaShineTheLight.com during the month of June

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Reading pays! We have hidden two of our members' account numbers in this issue. If you find your member location number, call during June to have $10 deducted from your monthly energy account.

McIntosh...from pg. 1

He also spoke about the employees and membership that make the cooperative strong.

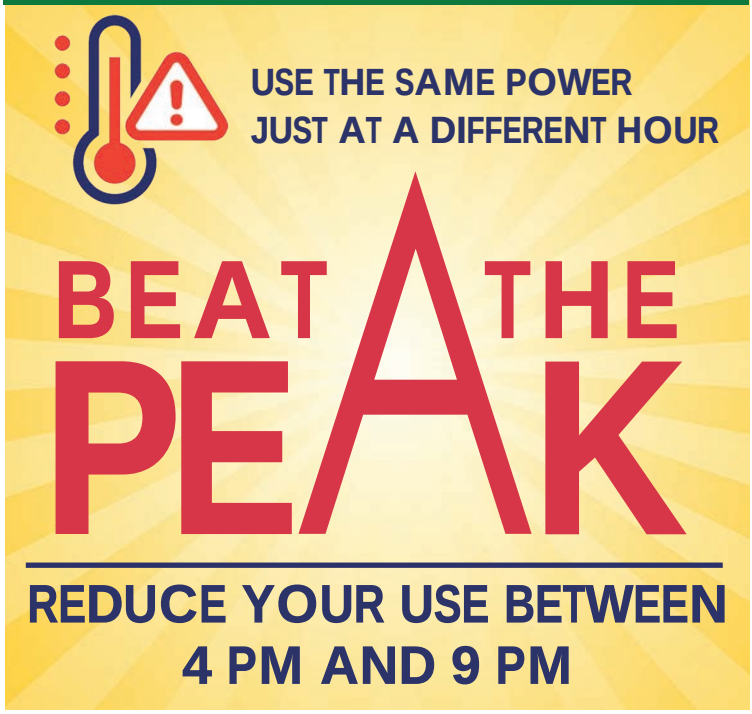
"We have a great group of employees who care about the work they do and the members they serve," he said. "I'm thankful to work alongside such dedicated people every day."

As he settles into the role, Chad says his focus will remain on supporting employees, serving members, and continuing the cooperative's commitment to reliable service and community involvement.

"I look forward to working with our membership and continuing to build on the cooperative principles that have guided us for many years," he said. 11-25-01-01

Throughout his career, Chad has earned the respect of coworkers and members alike through his steady leadership style, strong work ethic, and commitment to the cooperative mission. His experience working in the field and operations has helped shape a practical approach focused on safety, reliability, and service.

ENERGY SMART



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Congratulations, 2026 Scholarship Winners!

Clarke Electric is proud to award $10,000 in scholarship awards to 15 local high school seniors as they embark upon their future educational careers. As a local electric cooperative, your co-op offers this annual opportunity in accordance with our cooperative principles. Congratulations to these students in their future endeavors!

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Required Grain Bin Notice

When you start to plan for a new grain bin, please contact Clarke Electric. We will provide assistance in planning for a safe environment for everyone working and living around grain bins. The State of Iowa requires specific clearances for electric lines around grain bins, with different standards for those filled by portable and permanent augers, conveyors and elevators. 13-36-04-11

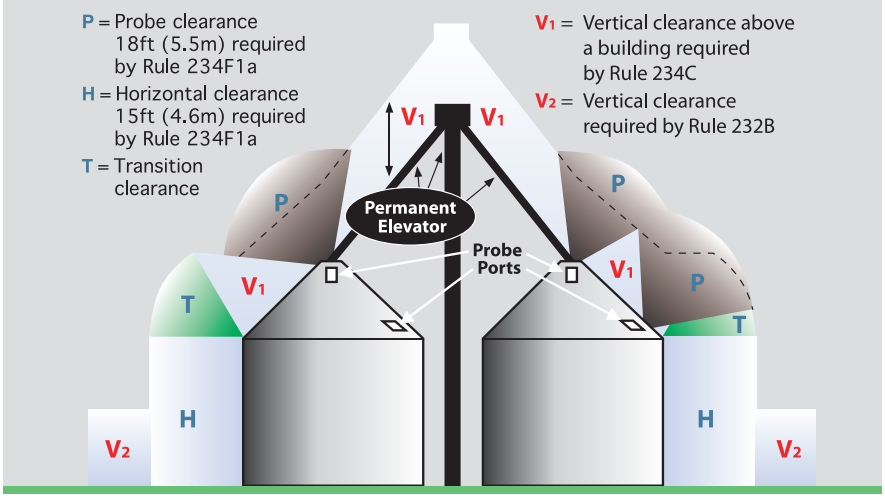
Pictured at right is a drawing of the specific clearances required for both scenarios. If you have any questions concerning the drawings, please contact Clarke Electric.

According to the Iowa Electric Safety Code found in Iowa Administrative Code Chapter 199 -- 25.2(3) *b. An electric utility may refuse to provide electric service to any grain bin built near an existing electric line which does not provide the clearances required by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI)C2-2023 "National Electrical Safety Code," Rule 234F. This paragraph "b" shall apply only to grain bins loaded by portable augers, conveyors or elevators and built after September 9, 1992, or to grain bins loaded by permanently installed augers, conveyors, or elevator systems installed after December 24, 1997.* (As adopted by the Iowa Utilities Board)

Clarke Electric is required by the Iowa Utilities Commission to provide this annual notice to farmers, farm lenders, grain bin merchants, and city and county zoning officials. If you have any questions concerning clearance regulations, please call Clarke Electric.

Disclaimer: These drawings are provided as part of Iowa electric cooperatives' annual public information campaign and are based on the 2017 edition of the National Electrical Safety Code. To view the actual drawings, refer to that publication. Every care has been taken for the correctness of the contents for these drawings. However, the Iowa Association of Electric Cooperatives and its member cooperatives accept no liability whatsoever for omissions or errors, technical inaccuracies, typographical mistakes or damages of any kind arising from the use of the contents of these drawings, whether textual or graphical.

Clearance envelope for grain bins filled by permanently installed augers, conveyors or elevators



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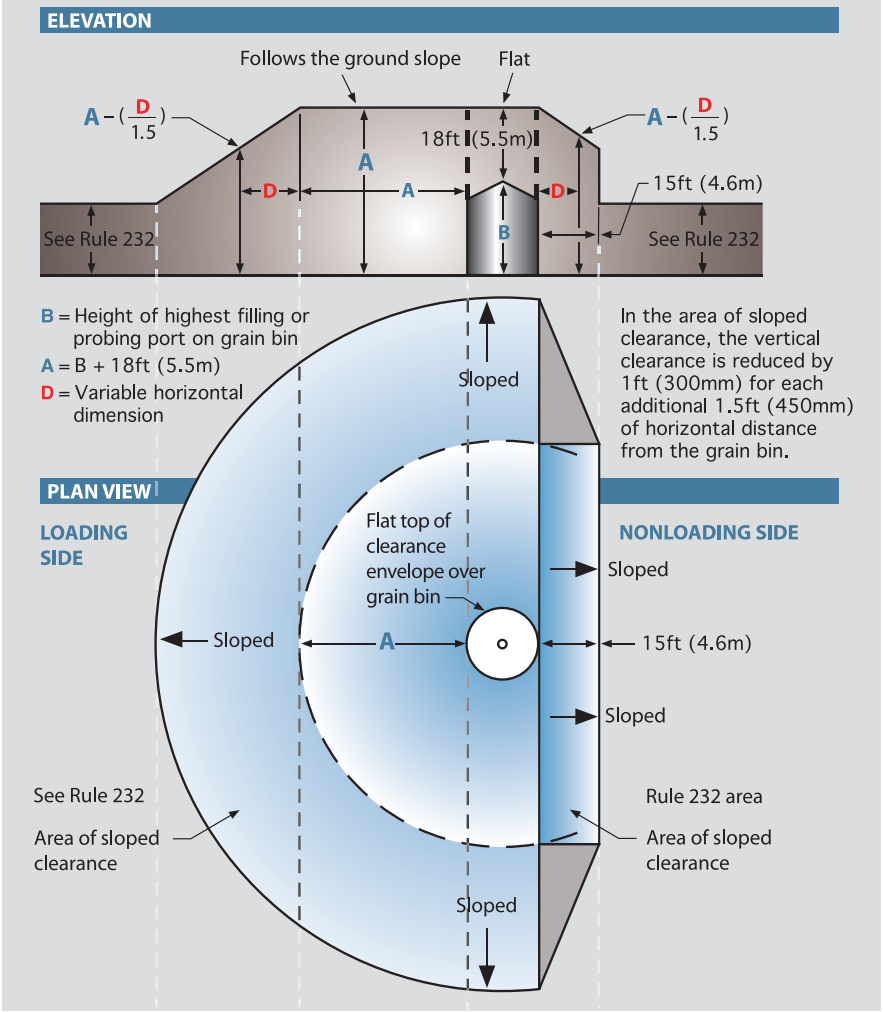
Clearance envelope for grain bins filled by portable augers, conveyors or elevators



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Co-op Names McCoy New Operations Manager

Please join us in congratulating Rob McCoy on his promotion to Clarke Electric Cooperative's Operations Manager.

Rob's journey with CEC began 28 years ago as an apprentice lineman. Through hard work, dedication, and leadership, he advanced to journeyman lineman, then foreman, and now into his new role as Operations Manager.

Over the years, Rob has demonstrated an unwavering commitment to our members, employees, and community.

His experience in the field and passion for the cooperative make him a tremendous asset to our team.

We are proud to have leaders like Rob who embody the values and work ethic that define Clarke Electric Cooperative.

Save with Heat Pumps

If you're building a new home or replacing your furnace or central air system, now is the perfect time to consider an air-to-air heat pump. It could be one of the smartest energy decisions you make.

Today's heat pumps are one of the most efficient and economical ways to heat and cool your home — especially when paired with Clarke Electric Cooperative's electric heat rate of just 6.8 cents per kilowatt-hour. Modern heat pumps are designed to handle Iowa weather and many homeowners see savings not only during the winter months, but in the summer as well.

Unlike conventional heating systems, an air-to-air heat pump moves heat from one place to another. In the winter, it pulls heat from the outside air and transfers it indoors. In the summer, it works like a high-efficiency air conditioner by removing heat from your home and pushing it outside.

During extremely cold temperatures, the system automatically uses a backup heat source to ensure your home stays comfortable.

Clarke Electric's Heat Rate Program requires having a heat meter installed outside, typically on the side of the house. You must also have an electric water heater.

CEC offers rebates ranging from $200/ton cooling capacity up to $400/ton depending on the efficiency of the installed heat pump.

Contact Jason at jgibbs@cecnet.net or (641) 342-2173.

Journeyman Jarad Taylor carefully works to restore power south of Osceola following a May storm.

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