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In its continued effort to achieve 100% daytime solar energy, Kit Carson Electric Cooperative (KCEC) announced that its largest solar array to date has come online as of Thursday, May 14. The Taos array will deliver 3MW of solar energy – enough to power approximately 1,500 to 1,600 families in Kit Carson's member base.

Located near the Town of Taos Water Treatment Plant, the Taos array consists of more than 12,000 solar panels and will serve KCEC's largest substation and member base. This array helps KCEC come even closer to reaching its goal of powering its members with 100% solar energy during the day by 2022.

The Taos array marks KCEC's 17th solar array to come online and brings a total of 19.8MW of solar power to local homes and businesses.

“The construction of solar arrays in our communities has been a great economic development venture while giving our members the choice of renewable energy that our community has wanted for years,” said Luis Reyes Jr., CEO of KCEC. “With every panel installation and every array coming online, we are getting that much closer to our renewable energy goals, thanks to our great partnerships with Guzman Energy and the Town of Taos.”

Local developer ParaSol constructed the array with the use of local labor. Construction of the Taos array began in October 2019, and was financed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Rural Utilities Service (RUS), which supports rural communities with infrastructure improvements.

The array is part of KCEC's partnership with Guzman Energy, a wholesale power provider that develops customized energy solutions to meet the goals of its customers. KCEC partnered with Guzman in 2016 to help the co-op meet its renewable energy goals as well as drive down its overall power costs. With three more arrays in development, KCEC will have a total of 53MW of renewable energy capacity, to include both solar energy and storage.

“Kit Carson Electric Cooperative is extremely forward-thinking, and the continued realization of its plans and goals is setting an example for rural communities around the country,” said Chris Miller, President, Guzman Energy. “They are proof that co-ops can provide renewable energy sources, lower energy costs for members, and bolster the local economy at the same time.”

Sincerely, Luis A. Reyes Jr., CEO

The 2020 Census is Here!

The Constitution of the United States requires that we count every person living in the country every 10 years. Census data is used to determine funding for important community services such as our schools, roads, and healthcare system, our emergency preparedness and response system, our social service programs, and our safety net programs like WIC, Medicare, Medicaid and SNAP. For every single person in Taos County who gets counted in the 2020 Census, about \$50,000 will come into our county over the coming decade for all these important services and many more.



Because of the Covid 19 outbreak, the Census Bureau has not been able to deliver Census packets to many homes in Taos County. But you can still respond! If you go to the website or call the hotline listed below you can provide your physical address or a description of where you live even if you do not have the 12 digit code.

The Census includes 10 simple questions that are safe for everyone to answer. Your responses are private and protected by law. According to Title 13 of the U.S. Code, your data will not only be kept private, it cannot be used to identify you by any government agency or used against you in any court of law.

So remember, respond to the Census and make sure you count. Your community needs you!

To respond online go to: my2020census.gov

To respond by phone call 844-330-2020 to respond in English or 844-468-2020 to respond in Spanish.

June Summer Special

Due to the covid-19 pandemic Kit Carson Propane, Inc. has decided to lower its prices and provide propane at a lower cost normally offered in the month of August.



- Residential price - \$1.80 per gallon
- Bottle dock price - \$1.80 per gallon
- Tank lease - \$7.00 plus tax per month
- First fill (new customer price)
\$1.69 Per gallon



Tank set or gas check (new customer) - free of charge (without necessary upgrades). \$20.00 NM state permit fee required for tank sets.

LOW CONTACT OPTIONS

Customers continue to utilize our low contact options as follows:

- 1) E-statements – customers will receive an e-mail statement in lieu of a paper statement
- 2) On-line bill portal – customers can pay their bill on-line, place orders, sign up for e-statements and request changes to their Service. To sign up please visit: <https://kitcarson.Myfuelportal.Com/account/register> to sign up.
- 3) Drop box – drop box for check or money order payments available at the Taos office.

REMEMBER - PLACE YOUR ORDERS AT 20%.

WHO WE ARE



Congratulations!

KCEC conducted COVID-19 testing for employees and Board of Trustees. KCEC wants to thank all employees for their participation of the COVID-19 test. KCEC's safety precautions implemented at the beginning of March have ensured the safety of our employees and families. All employees and Board of Trustees of Kit Carson have tested negative for the virus. Thank You!

Board of Trustees

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Next Board of Trustee monthly Board meeting will be held
June 30, 2020 at 9:00 am via virtual conferencing.

Enchanted Circle Mutual Aid Hub

Did you know? The Enchanted Circle Mutual Aid Hub is here to help you.

If you have a need or question, they are here to assist. Amidst the COVID-19 health emergency, the Enchanted Circle's public and private sector organizations have joined forces to form the Enchanted Circle Community Organizations Active in Disaster. The EC-COAD is made up of various private sector and non-governmental agencies, businesses, non-profits, faith-based groups and community leaders to foster effective preparedness, response and recovery for the people of the Enchanted Circle as needed.

Visit their website @ www.ecmutualaidhub.org. Email your questions and/or needs to: info@ecmutualaidhub.org or leave a message at: 505-205-0045 and they will return your call within 24 hours.



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QUESTA OFFICE: (575) 586-2113 Closed until further notice.

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