



## JOIN US IN SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER!

### VIRTUAL ANNUAL MEETING

Join LPEA for our virtual 2021 Annual Meeting! The agenda includes presentations on LPEA's 2020 accomplishments, finances, and a live Q&A session with our members.

**Wednesday, October 6th**

**6:00 - 7:30 p.m. on Zoom**

**Agenda and registration: [lpea.coop/annual-meeting](https://lpea.coop/annual-meeting)**

Pre-registration required. Attendees will be entered to win numerous door prizes! Winners will be drawn at the conclusion of the meeting.



### LPEA TOWN HALL MEETINGS: FUTURE OF POWER SUPPLY

LPEA has been exploring options on how to best source affordable, reliable, and low-carbon electricity to power your lives. Join us in October to get the latest updates on this process and to engage in a live Q&A session.

Two virtual sessions are available and pre-registration is required:

- **Monday, October 25th at 6:00 p.m.**
- **Wednesday, October 27th at 6:00 p.m.**

Pre-registration is required. Attendees will be entered to win several **\$50 gift cards to local businesses**. Winners will be drawn at the conclusion of each meeting.

**Details and registration at: [lpea.coop/powersupply](https://lpea.coop/powersupply)**



### MEMBER APPRECIATION LUNCHES



**JOIN US FOR FOOD! LIVE MUSIC! DOOR PRIZES - INCLUDING AN ELECTRIC LAWNMOWER!**

**LPEA Durango Office**  
**45 Stewart Street**

Wednesday, September 22nd  
11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Lunch by Porky's Smokehouse and entertainment by Tim Sullivan.

**LPEA Pagosa Office**  
**603 S. 8th Street**

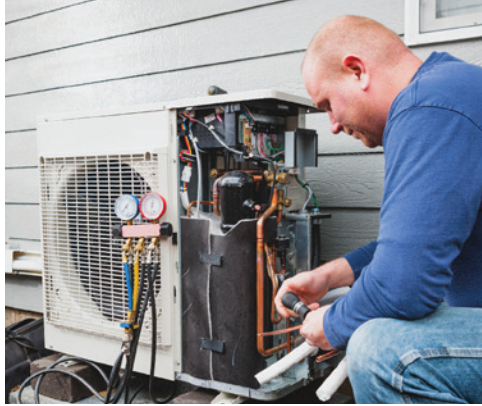
Thursday, September 23rd  
11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Lunch by Smoken Moe's Un-Real BBQ and entertainment by Tim Sullivan.

**More details at**  
**[lpea.coop/2021-member-lunch](https://lpea.coop/2021-member-lunch)**

# HOT SUMMERS AND COLD WINTERS

## HOW HEAT PUMPS HELP WITH BOTH



For those of you “in the know” when it comes to heat pump technology, there is a consistent perception that they don’t operate well in cold climates. While this may have been true a few years ago, it is not true today. Cold Climate Heat Pumps (CCHPs) are the latest evolution in efficient air-source heat pump design and offer a highly efficient alternative to other heat sources.

A large portion of LPEA members currently heat their homes with propane. CCHPs have the potential to greatly reduce your total energy bill in the winter AND provide the added benefit of air conditioning in the summer. For those of us who haven’t been able to open our windows due to wildfire smoke and have experienced the hotter summers recently, this is a benefit that can’t be overlooked.

CCHPs operate with nearly 400% efficiency at 47°F or above. When temperatures drop to zero, a CCHP will sustain efficiencies of about

200%. CCHPs are so efficient, they can provide space heating needs with an overall seasonal efficiency of 250%. Research shows CCHPs are a viable and efficient technology that meet the heating and cooling needs of homeowners in the SW Colorado climate zone.

CCHPs typically come in two configurations. There are ducted systems, where the warm or cool air is ducted throughout the house, or there are mini-splits where the coolant is pumped through the house to wall mounted units or recessed ceiling units. Mini-splits are also referred to as “ductless” systems and there are installers in our service area that focus specifically on these systems.

In the coming autumn and winter months, we will feature stories from LPEA members who have made the switch to heat pumps and provide more details on resources in our area.



**In the meantime, contact LPEA’s Energy Management team for more details ([rebates@lpea.coop](mailto:rebates@lpea.coop)) and learn about LPEA’s generous heat pump rebates at [lpea.coop/rebates](http://lpea.coop/rebates).**

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## BOARD MEETINGS

September 15th + October 20th  
9:00 a.m.\*

The agenda, access, and location details will be posted online in advance of the meeting. Public comments are heard at the beginning of the meeting shortly after 9 a.m.

More at: [lpea.coop/lpea-board-directors-resources](http://lpea.coop/lpea-board-directors-resources)



## COMMITTEE MEETINGS

### Finance + Audit

September 9th + October 14th  
9-11:00 a.m.\*

### Committee on Polices

Next meeting TBA\*

More at: [lpea.coop/board-directors-committees](http://lpea.coop/board-directors-committees)

*\*All meetings are open to the public. Depending on the latest guidelines around COVID-19, meetings may be held in person, virtually, or both. Visit [lpea.coop](http://lpea.coop) for the most up-to-date details.*



## LPEA GRANTS

The Round Up Foundation Board of Directors approved **six grants totaling \$19,215** in July for Pagosa Play Place, League of Women Voters, Bear Smart Durango, Silver Spruce Academy, Durango Food Bank, and LASSO Horse Rescue.