BOARD OF DIRECTORS
DASHBOARD REPORT
OCTOBER 2026

MISSION

La Plata Electric Association, Inc. provides its members safe, reliable electricity at the lowest reasonable cost while being environmentally responsible.

STRATEGIC GOAL

Our members will, on average, pay less for electric service than 70% of Colorado cooperatives, and by 2030 we will reduce carbon emissions by more than 80% from 2005 levels, surpassing state climate goals.

VISION

- Member Powered
- Future Focused
- National Leader

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Key Performance Indicators

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Delivering Safety, Reliability, & Excellence (October 2026)

METRIC	TARGET	ACTUAL	STATUS
Total Recordable Incident Rate (TRIR)*	≤ 1.5	0.7	✓
Days Away and Restricted Time Incident Rate (DART)*	≤ 0.9	0.7	✓
Lost Time Incidents	0	0	✓
Critical System Uptime	≥ 99.9	99.6	!
Reliability (SAIDI, min/year)*	≤ 75.00	49.68	✓
Reliability (SAIFI, outages/member/year)*	≤ 0.95	0.72	✓

Energizing Tomorrow (October 2026)

METRIC	TARGET	ACTUAL	STATUS
BE Sales Increase†	229,167‡	255,366	✓
kWh of Member-Installed Batteries	6,039‡	6,439	✓

Empowering Community (October 2026)

METRIC	TARGET	ACTUAL	STATUS
Member Engagement Events	2	13	✓
Program Participation	1,865‡	1,867	✓

Creating Member Value (Audited September 2026)

METRIC	TARGET	ACTUAL	STATUS
Operating Margin	≥ 3.0%	-2.7%	X
Cash Reserves (Days Liquidity)	90 - 120 Days	71	X
Days of Cash on Hand	≥ 30	17	X
MDSC	≥ 1.35	1.85	✓
Debt as % of Equity	< 200%	153%	✓
Equity %	25-50%	36%	✓

KPI DASHBOARD

On Track

Needs Attention

Requires Focus

* This monthly reporting is based on a 12-month rolling average.
† Reporting reflects the prior months values, to ensure all data is collected.
‡ This value changes monthly to reflect a year end total.

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SAFETY PRIORITIES

No lost time incidents in October.

WILDFIRE MITIGATION

Installed 4 additional weather stations, expanding coverage to 32 stations across the Western Slope and into New Mexico to improve extreme weather forecasting.

RELIABILITY

Responded to 86 unplanned outages in October, mainly caused by extreme weather.

Restored power to 33 flood-related outages affecting 532 members after major flooding began October 22. Crews worked around the clock for one week.

Recorded no substation, transmission line, or communication line failures during the flooding. All incidents were isolated to taps and feeders, and protection schemes operated as designed.

Placed Trujillo Substation and Transmission, Trimble Springs 111 & 121, Viper installations, and other capital projects on hold due to flood access and repair.

Replaced 22 poles and continued the raptor protection project in the Arboles/Ignacio area.

Installed 2 additional Vipers in the Ignacio area.

Focused tree trimming on the Pine Valley, Falfa, and Sunnyside circuits.

Pole attachments and broadband statistics since January 2025 (September reporting):
- o In Design: 736
- o Released for Make Ready: 280
- o Make Ready Completed: 2,764
- o Fiber Attached: 615

Replaced 521 poles since 2023, creating $1,000,941 in member value.

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (AI) INTEGRATION

Digitized paper interconnection records using a program the GRIP team built in Claude. The program separates scanned pages into individual documents, names them by a defined convention, and uploads them to the correct folder. This effort allows us to clear the vault, update the online database, and preserve records permanently.



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SOLAR & STORAGE EXPANSION

Hosted the Energy Safety Response Group to conduct a Hazard Mitigation Analysis (HMA) for the Sunnyside Solar and Battery project. Met with Durango Fire to review the HMA and emergency response plan and to address questions, training needs, and next steps.

Submitted the full permit for the Sunnyside Solar and Battery project to La Plata County, with final approval expected in December.

Presented to the Colorado Solar and Storage Association (COSSA) institute on the evolution of hosting capacity and interconnection review processes, including results from four projects completed with National Labs.

Approved the Generac Meter Switch as the 5th approved meter collar adapter, allowing more solar and battery systems to connect economically.

Kicked off a consulting study with SparkFund to evaluate Distributed Capacity Procurement (DCP) feasibility. DCP would provide dispatchable battery storage at a fraction of the cost where capacity accreditation is not needed.

Submitted comments to CREA to guide its public comment on Public Utilities Commission (PUC) rulemaking on meter collar adapters. Rulemaking is scheduled for November 9, 2026, after which policies will be updated and a tariff drafted for PUC submission.



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MEMBER ENGAGEMENTS

8 Business Events/Outreach

- CommunityPowerX event (73 members engaged)
- Two Rebate & Energy Help Sessions - Durango and Bayfield (5 members engaged)
- Durango Farmers Market booth (64 members engaged)
- Durango Fire Safety Days booth with 40 Arc Demo presentations (270 members engaged)
- Ignacio National Night Out booth (40 members engaged)
- Bayfield Rotary Club presentation (8 members engaged)

1 Student Event

- Guest lecture and power supply development simulation for the Fort Lewis College Alternative Energy Systems class

4 CEO Engagements

- National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) 2026 Regional Meeting
- Electric Co-op Roundtable: Fall Edition
- CGI Funders Retreat
- NWPPA Government Relations Committee

KEY ACCOUNT ENGAGEMENTS

Hosted a VIP reception for Durango partners to connect, share ideas, and strengthen relationships (50 partners engaged).

LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Opened applications for the Local Energy Action Fund (LEAF), supporting local energy projects for tax-exempt organizations in the LPEA service territory.

UPCOMING MEMBER ENGAGEMENT

- **November 21** - IBEW Fill the Bucket Food Drive, Pagosa Springs
- **December 2** - Rebate & Energy Help Session, Durango
- **December 9** - Arc Demo, Animas High School
- **December 9** - Green Business Roundtable



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POWER COST STABILITY

Maintained an A+ credit rating from Fitch.

Approved two additional Power Purchase Agreements to source alternative power options.

ENERGY SERVICES OFFERINGS

Launched Lighten the Load, an opt-in program offering bill credits for reducing electricity use during peak events.

ACTIVELY ENGAGE IN STATE & REGIONAL ENERGY INITIATIVES

Presented on the Public Safety Power Management (PSPM) program at the Colorado Rural Electric Association (CREA) Energy Innovation Summit.

Worked with land conservation trusts on more flexible approaches to transmission permitting, a necessary step for pursuing clean energy sources.




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