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CO-OP CURRENT



THE STEPS TO RESTORATION

When a major outage occurs, our crews restore service to the greatest number of people in the shortest time possible - until everyone has power.

So when the power goes out, how do SCI REMC crews know where to start working? How do you know if your outage has been reported? We've got answers to these questions and more, starting with a safe, efficient plan for power restoration.

When the lights go out and it's safe for our crews to begin the restoration process, they start by repairing power lines and equipment that will restore power to the greatest number of people in the shortest time possible.

This process typically begins with repairs to the larger main distribution lines that service a greater number of homes and businesses. After those repairs are made, crews work on tap lines, which deliver power to multiple members in an area. Then, service is restored to individual members.

We can't control the weather, but we can prepare for it. SCI REMC keeps a supply of extra utility poles, transformers, and other equipment on hand so we can quickly get to work in the event of an outage. When widespread outages occur, multiple crews will be out in the field simultaneously working to repair damage at multiple locations. We also coordinate with nearby co-ops to bring in additional crews when necessary.

A proactive approach to maintenance helps minimize the chance of prolonged outages; this is why you see SCI REMC crews periodically trimming trees and clearing vegetation near right-of-ways.

We love trees, but it only takes one overgrown limb to knock out power for an entire neighborhood. Trimming improves power reliability for our entire community. In addition to managing vegetation, we regularly inspect utility poles, power lines, and other critical equipment to maintain a more reliable system.

If you experience a power outage, don't assume a neighbor reported it. It's best to report the outage yourself, and we make it easy to do. The quickest way to report an outage is through our website at sciremc.com; you can also call our number at 765.342.3344 or use TextPower.

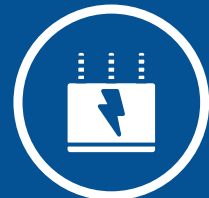
If you have a medical condition that requires electrical equipment, always have a backup plan in place. This plan could include using a portable generator, maintaining extra medical supplies, or moving to an alternate location until power is restored. If you plan to use a generator for backup power, read all safety information and instructions before use.

Mother Nature can be unpredictable, but as a member of SCI REMC, you can feel confident knowing we're standing by, ready to restore power as quickly and safely as possible.

For more information on how SCI restores power, visit sciremc.com.



1. HIGH-VOLTAGE TRANSMISSION LINES
These lines carry large amounts of electricity and must be repaired first.



2. DISTRIBUTION SUBSTATIONS
Crews inspect substations, which can serve hundreds or thousands of people.



3. MAIN DISTRIBUTION LINES
Main lines serve essential facilities like hospitals and larger communities.



4. INDIVIDUAL HOMES AND BUSINESSES
After main line repairs are complete, we repair lines that serve individual homes and businesses.



Don't dig up trouble.

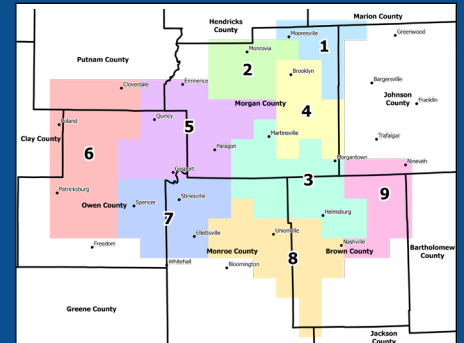
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