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Mor-Gran-Sou remembers historic storms, celebrates Linemen Appreciation Day

Mor-Gran-Sou Electric Cooperative directors, employees and members weathered two significant storms in 2010. It was not easy, but through cooperation and focus on safety, we persevered together. Thankful to be doing scheduled maintenance in 2020, Mor-Gran-Sou reflects on those two historic storms, and thanks our linemen and support staff for serving our members with integrity and accountability.

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Following the January 2010 storm, a significant amount of snow had to be moved to access the damage, before repairs could begin.

FILE PHOTO

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BY CARMEN DEVNEY AND JACKIE MILLER

This year marks the 10-year anniversary of two storms that caused major destruction in the Mor-Gran-Sou Electric Cooperative service area.

It started Jan. 20, 2010, when a week of dense fog and rain, frost and ice gripped the power lines. Mor-Gran-Sou Manager of Operations Randy Ressler said electrical conductor that is normally the diameter of an ink pen turned into a 6-to 8-inch diameter block of ice, putting tons of additional weight on every pole. Then the wind picked up.

Sagging with the burden of the weight, poles snapped like toothpicks. At the height of the storm, Mor-Gran-Sou had 6,000 members without power.

Line crews, with assistance from outside contractors and

crews from several neighboring cooperatives, were charged with putting back together an ice-ravaged system, consisting of countless wire breaks and more than 1,000 broken or damaged poles.

Some members were without power for as long as two weeks. It was the closest many had been to understanding what it was like the day the lights were first turned on.

One of many blessings were the members who used equipment to move snow so linemen could access the damage more quickly to make repairs.

The cooperative suffered millions of dollars in damages. On Feb. 26, 2010, President Barack Obama approved a major disaster declaration for the state of North Dakota, which triggered the release of federal assistance to help



communities and others including electric cooperatives mitigate the storm costs incurred.

At the time, Ressler said in his 32 years as a lineman and operations supervisor, he had never seen ice conditions that bad in the Mor-Gran-Sou service area.

He would see them again just a few short months later, and they were worse.

Linemen were still patrolling the system and making repairs from the January storm when the second storm hit Good Friday, April 2, 2010. In the heart of calving season, the sky dumped golf-ball-size snowballs that were heavy and slushy. Power lines and poles, bogged with weight, began toppling when the wind started gusting. It would trigger the lengthiest power outage in Mor-Gran-Sou's history.

At the onset of the storm, every member was out of power at some point.

Damage to transmission and distribution lines included 12,000 downed or damaged poles, and 600 miles of downed power lines. To put that into perspective, Mor-Gran-Sou would have to rebuild line from the imaginary distance of Mandan to Cheyenne, Wyo.

With assistance from more than 400 extra sets of hands, electric service was restored to all residential accounts in three weeks.

On April 21, 2010, Pres. Obama again approved a federal disaster for North Dakota counties to help electric cooperatives and others recover costs associated with the storm.

Even with financial assistance from the state and Federal Emergency Management Agency, the storm was a significant financial burden to the membership.

Co-General Manager Don Franklund kept this perspective. "I don't care how long it takes to get the lines back up. As long as the sun shines, poles go in the ground, the lights come on and everybody goes home safely, we had a good day. I keep it simple," he said.

From the support staff in the office to the linemen working long days to rebuild the system and restore power, it takes a dedicated team to restore and keep the power flowing. This year, we remember and give thanks for that work and dedication on Lineworker Appreciation Day.

Mor-Gran-Sou's linemen build and maintain the power system that keeps electricity flowing to your farm, home or business — regardless of storms, national holidays, vacations, birthdays and other milestones.

Your electric cooperative maintains 3,580 miles of distribution lines and 242 miles of transmission lines that cover 4,700 square miles of service territory.

The service-oriented mentality of our employees, managers and board members is the foundation of Mor-Gran-Sou. We exist to provide safe, reliable and affordable electric service to more than 6,100 member-owners.

Monday, April 13, is Lineworker Appreciation Day. As we reflect on where we've been and where we are headed, Mor-Gran-Sou gives thanks for our dedicated staff who do business with integrity, accountability, innovation and commitment to community. ■



PHOTO BY CLARICE KESLER

Following the January 2010 blizzard, it was brutal cold while lineworkers repaired the system. Mor-Gran-Sou Leadman **Jason Jahner** is shown here, preparing to splice powerline.



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The January 2010 storm was a disaster, as far as weather conditions, system damage, power outages and financial strain. It paled in comparison to the April 2010 storm, which mangled almost 100 percent of the co-op's east/west power lines in Morton County; about 85 percent of the east/west power lines down in Grant County; and nearly 10 percent of the east/west power lines in Sioux County.



UNCLAIMED CAPITAL CREDITS

The following list contains the names of current or former Mor-Gran-Sou Electric Cooperative members who have unclaimed capital credit checks that were mailed in December. These checks have either been received but not cashed, or returned to Mor-Gran-Sou by the postal service because they could not locate the members at the address on file. A further search by Mor-Gran-Sou personnel has not turned up their whereabouts.

If you know of the whereabouts of members on this list who received electrical service from Mor-Gran-Sou, please have them contact our office at 701-597-3301, 701-663-0297 or 800-750-8212.

Please keep in mind that not all of the capital credit amounts are large, but we would like to get these checks to the proper parties. Persons who wish to claim checks from the following list should be prepared to provide proper personal identification.

What are capital credits?

Mor-Gran-Sou Electric Cooperative is a nonprofit business. We exist only to provide goods and services to you, our members; not to make a profit for a shareholder or investor. Cooperatives are operated to provide at-cost electric service to their members.

When all the expenses are paid, the cooperative's margins are credited to you in the form of capital credits. As the financial condition of your cooperative allows, you are paid these capital credits. In the meantime, your capital credits are your equity in the cooperative.

Refunds are allocated based on the amount of business a member does with the cooperative – the more electricity used, the larger the capital credit check.

If you have questions about your capital credits or would like a more detailed explanation, contact Mor-Gran-Sou at 701-597-3301, 701-663-0297 or 800-750-8212.

Installment 1: A-L

ACKERMAN, JAYME
ADAMS, JOHN
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AG ENTERPRISES
AGUON, AMANDA
AHMED, ISMAHAN
AHMED, SHUKRI
AIRMOTIVE SERVICES
ALFSTAD, LACY
ALKIRE, CHRISTINE
ALKIRE, HELEN
ALLTEL CORPORATION
AMAN, ROSS
AMUNDSON, SCOTT
ANDERSON, DAYNE
ANDERSON, DONALD
ANDERSON, DOREEN
ANDERSON, ELIZABETH
ANDERSON, KAREN R.
ANDERSON, TODD

ANDERSON, TOM
ANTELL, ANDREW
ANTELOPE, CYNTHIA
ARCHAMBAULT, ROCKY
ARCHAMBAULT, WYMAN
AUDAY, JESSE
AVIATION SERVICES
AYUTAPI, CLAYTON JR.
AZURE, JAMES
BABIN, JOHN
BACHLER, DEAN
BACHMEIER, KAYLA
BACHMEIER, WADE M.
BACKER, EDWARD R.
BAD HAND, WAYLON
BADER, CHARLES
BAHM, JOHNATHAN
BAILEY, JUDY A.
BAILEYS BAR

BAKER, KELLY
BALLING, GEORGE
BALSTAD, PATRICIA
BALTZER, MICHAEL J.
BALZER, ROBERT
BALZER, THOMAS A.
BANNING, MARY J.
BANNING, SUSAN
BARNES, JOSEPHINE
BARRETT, JOSEPHINE
BARTH, CHARLES M.
BAUER, JENNIFER
BAUER, LEON
BAUER, TOM
BAUMAN, CHRIS
BAUMAN, ROGER
BAUMAN, SCOTT
BAUMGARTNER, RANDY
BAYDAK, ILYA
BEAR KING, THERESA

BEATY, DIANE
BECKER, BRANDY
BECKER, DARREN
BECKER, JOE
BECKERDITE, LEONA
BECKLER, DAVE
BECKLER, TED
BEECHER, BRIAN
BEGAY, ROBERT
BEIERLEIN, JAMIE
BENNETT, ROBERTA
BENSON, ROWDY
BENZINGER, JONATHAN
BERGER, CARL
BERGER, DAMIAN
BERGER, NADINE
BERGER, RADENE
BERGER, TRAVIS
BERNAL-MURPHY, JAMIE
BESSER, DELBERT D.

BIANCO, WILLIAM F.
BIEBER, JILL
BIEL, ALISON
BIG VALLEY GRAVEL
BINGER, KYLE
BINSTOCK, MONTE
BIRD, LYNELLE
BIRD HORSE, ROSE
BITZ, ALFRED
BITZ, MITCH
BJORND AHL, DAVID
BJORNSON, CLAYTON
BLACK CLOUD, RANDY
BLACK CLOUD, RON
BLACK HOOP, AUDREY M.
BLANK, RONALD
BLEICK, BRIAN
BLOOM, PERRY
BLOTSKY, DEAN
BOEHM, ADAM F.



BOEHM, JOSHUA
 BOEHM, STAN
 BOEHM, TODD
 BOLTE, DIANE
 BOOM CONSTRUCTION
 BORDEAUX, PAUL
 BORNEMANN, TYLYN
 BORNHOEFT, ARLEEN
 BOSCH, MATT
 BOSWORTH, JOEL
 BOVA, REV. EUGENE R.
 BOX, MICHAEL
 BOYCE, PRESTON
 BOYER, LORETTA
 BRASWELL, TIM
 BRAVE BULL, LETA
 BRAVE THUNDER, TONI
 BREINER, JAMES
 BREZDEN, WESLEY
 BROOKS, SARAH
 BROSSART, BRADY
 BROUGHT PLENTY, ANGELA
 BROWN, AMANDA
 BROWN, AMY JO
 BROWN, ZAC
 BROWNING, ALEX
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 BRUNELLE, JEREMY
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 BUCKMEIER, NICOLE
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 BUEHNER, CHRIS
 BULLER, LARRY
 BULLER, TIMOTHY
 BULLHEAD, EARL
 BUNKOWSKI, TONY
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 CASTLE, MIKE
 CAVALIER HOMES
 CEN DAK DEVELOPMENT
 CEYNAR, MARIE
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 CHARGING, JOHN
 CHASE, KEITH
 CHASE ALONE, RONNETTE
 CHESROWN, DARWIN
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 CHRISTENSEN, WILLIAM
 CIAVARELLA, CHELSY
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 CONE, SHANNON
 CONITZ, GREG D.
 CONMY, MICHAEL
 CONMY, STEPHEN
 COOMBE, TOM
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 CRAIG, KIMBERLY A.
 CRANE, DARYL L.
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 DAHL, MASSET & PARIS,
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 DAMM, KELLAN
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 DAVIS, DANIEL J.
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 HUMES, BERNIE
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JORDAN, CATHERINE M.
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 KING, BAILEY
 KINKELAAR, SHAWN
 KINNISCHTZKE, BERNICE
 KINNISCHTZKE, MITCH

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 KLITZKE, DARREL
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 KNUDSON, KIRBY
 KOCH, LEROY P.
 KOCOUREK, CHRIS
 KOPP, B. C. (BENNETT)
 KOPP, CORRINE
 KOSTELETCKY, PATTY
 KOTTSICK, JAMES
 KRAFT, DAVID
 KRAFT, DUSTY D.
 KRAFT, JENNIFER
 KRAFT, KEVIN
 KRAFT, LINDA K.
 KRAFT, RIDGELEY
 KRAMER, DOUG
 KRANCE, ROGER
 KREIDT, JASON
 KROH, DANIEL
 KROH, DELTON
 KROH, DENNIS
 KROH, MELVIN
 KRONBERGER, JOHN
 KRUEGER, LEROY C.
 KUNKEL, KEVIN
 KUNTZ, COREY
 KUNTZ, CORRIE

KUNTZ, DAVID A.
 KUNTZ, DUANE
 KUNTZ, PAT
 KUNTZ, STANLEY
 KURLE, FREDRICK D.
 KUTSIY, ANDREY
 LABER, GEORGE
 LABRATO, NORGE
 LACHENMEIER, MARY A.
 LACINA, BILLY
 LAFROMBOISE, ALSACE
 LAIB, JESSICA
 LAMOUREUX, NATHAN
 LANDGREBE, FRED
 LANG, WAYNE
 LANGE, VANESSA
 LANGERUD, DAYLEN
 LAROCQUE, ANGIE
 LARSEN, KYLE
 LARSON, AMBER
 LARSON, CHRISTIE
 LARSON, HEIDI
 LARSON, KEITH W.
 LARSON, LYNN M.
 LARSON, THOMAS W.
 LARTEY, LOVIA
 LAUF, AMBER
 LAWLER, DEAN L.
 LAWRENCE, DUSTIN
 LB HOMES
 LEE, ANDREW
 LEE, BRODRICK
 LEFT HAND, SHAYLA

LEINGANG, DARYL
 LEINGANG, DEAN
 LEINIUS, TERRY
 LEONARD, JONATHAN
 LEPP, ALICIA
 LEROY, ADAM
 LESSMAN, PAUL
 LESTER, JEREMY
 LEWELLYN, DAVID
 LINDBO, DWIGHT E.
 LITTLE HEART SCHOOL
 LIVERMORE, RON R.
 LOGG, KATHRYN
 LOHMANN, GLENN
 LONG, ARTHUR F.
 LONG CHASE, EILEEN
 LOPEZ, CHARLES S.
 LOUSE CREEK COUNTRY
 LOVELAND, ODELL
 LOVES WAR, PATRICK
 LOWE, GEOFF
 LUGER, BRITT
 LUGER, JOE A.
 LUKINOV, BOGDON
 LUKKASSON, MEDA
 LUSBY, DAN
 LUSBY, PARRISH

Members, do we have your current contact information?

Please make sure Mor-Gran-Sou Electric Cooperative has your updated mobile phone number, email address and mailing address on file! If you plan to move, let us know your forwarding address. Your updated information will help us confer a capital credit check when the time is right.

Please call 663-0297, 597-3301 or 800-750-8212, or log into your SmartHub account, to update your information. If you do not have a SmartHub account, set one up at www.morghrainsou.com.

SAFETY@MORGRANSOU.COM

Mor-Gran-Sou is an advocate of working safely. In fact, it is our way of life; the culture of your cooperative. We look out for the safety of ourselves and others — before, during and after work.

Did you know that members also play a key role in keeping our system safe? At times, you are our eyes in the sky and on the ground. Should you see a power line issue that may need Mor-Gran-Sou's attention, please call the office at 663-0297, 597-3301 or 800-750-8212, or send us an email at safety@morghrainsou.com with your concern. This correspondence should include the description of the location, your name and complete contact information, and a photo if possible. Working together helps ensure the safety of all!



If so, it pays to plan ahead. Members can save time, money and aggravation by consulting with Mor-Gran-Sou Electric Cooperative before locating new grain bins or adding new load.

New or upgraded service

When adding electrical loads, such as bin fans or shop heat, Mor-Gran-Sou Electric encourages members to contact the cooperative first. Representatives will design a service adequately sized for the proposed electrical load. Existing services will be inspected to determine if an upgrade in service is required.

Whether you are adding a new service or expanding an existing service, Mor-Gran-Sou Electric needs to study the effect the added load will have on the cooperative's electric distribution system to determine the co-op's ability to serve that load.

Bin placement

When placing a primary electric service at a grain bin site, Mor-Gran-Sou Electric adheres to the requirements set forth in the National Electrical Safety Code (NESC). The NESC specifies the minimum distance between a grain bin and the nearest overhead power line and has two sections that apply to grain handling systems.

Adequate clearance between grain bins and overhead power lines reduces the risk of accidental contact between the power lines and tall farm equipment such as portable grain augers, elevators or grain-probing devices. Also, a grain bin or shop built too close to an overhead power line may mean the bin or power line would need to be relocated, most times at the member's expense.

Members considering a new bin site or added load are encouraged to contact Mor-Gran-Sou Electric. We are available to provide assistance in planning for a safe, reliable environment for everyone. ■

GRAIN BIN SAFETY

DANGER: HIGH VOLTAGE!
FOLLOW FARM SAFETY RULES AROUND POWER LINES

Height of grain storage structure	D=Minimum distance from line to bin wall*
15 ft.	55 ft.
20 ft.	68 ft.
25 ft.	80 ft.
30 ft.	93 ft.
35 ft.	104 ft.
40 ft.	118 ft.
50 ft.	143 ft.
60 ft.	168 ft.
70 ft.	193 ft.
80 ft.	218 ft.

*Based on a typical power line having a vertical clearance of 18.5 feet above the ground and a supply line phase to ground voltage of more than 0V to 22KV; National Electrical Safety Code Rule 232.

MOR-GRAN-SOU ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE *board meeting highlights*



Meeting date: Feb. 26, 2020

- Approved the Jan. 29, 2020, Board meeting minutes
- Approved a special equipment capitalization
- Approved two work order inventories
- Reviewed the directors' expense report
- Approved the capital credit refund applications to estates and those age 80 and over
- Reviewed the financial report for January
- Heard update on Southwest Power Pool
- Reviewed senior staff department reports
- Heard the Co-General Managers/CEOs updates, and reports on meetings they had attended
- Heard reports from various meetings, training, and events the directors had attended
- Confirmed director attendance at upcoming training, meetings and events
- Approved appointment of Mor-Gran-Sou legal counsel
- Discussed proposed Bylaw amendments for 2020
- Discussed North Dakota Association of Rural Electric Cooperatives proposed facility improvements
- Reviewed Innovative Energy Alliance Cooperative Strategic Planning session held in February
- Reviewed Safety Matters newsletter
- Held Executive Session

Upcoming regular board meeting date:

April 22

in the NDAREC board room in Mandan

Members are welcome to attend the board meetings at any time. Please contact Mor-Gran-Sou at cternes@morgransou.com, or call 1-800-750-8212 or 597-3301 to confirm the meeting date and location if you wish to attend.

To place an item on the agenda, please contact Board Chair Casey Wells or Co-General Manager/Chief Executive Officer Donald Franklund at 701-597-3301 at least one week in advance.

Members may obtain a copy of approved board minutes by completing and returning the "Request for Information or Data" form. You can find this form at www.morgransou.com, or contact the Flasher office to request a copy.

EASTER HOLIDAY CLOSING

In observance of the Easter holiday, Mor-Gran-Sou Electric Cooperative will be closed on Friday, April 10. Line crews will be available in case of an emergency outage.

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