

Welcome to the Peak Reduction Program!

We are excited about this program and appreciate your participation. Your efforts will help reduce stress on the electric grid when demand is at its highest. Peak demand refers to periods of exceptionally high demand, during the summer and winter when people use more electricity, largely due to heating and cooling. Using energy wisely during periods of peak demand reduces stress on the electric grid and makes the electric delivery system more reliable.

Decatur County REMC's Peak Reduction Program rewards members for reducing energy use during critical hours on peak alert days during the summer and winter. In exchange for your participation, you will receive a bill credit during peak months of the year. The program provides you and your family the unique opportunity to save money and promote energy efficiency and reliability for all Decatur County REMC members.

How it works:

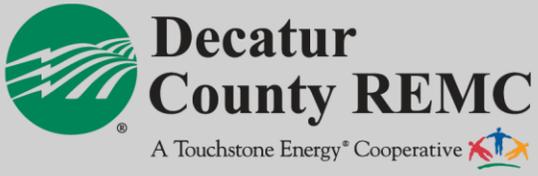
During the peak months (June-August and December-February) DCREMC will declare peak alerts when electricity use is expected to reach critical levels. These alerts will be sent out by text and email asking you to reduce the amount of electricity you use during a specific two to three hour period that day or the following day. Peak alerts will not be issued for Saturdays, Sundays, or on holidays. For every kilowatt (kW) reduced during the actual, one peak hour for the month, we will credit your bill \$10.

The best way to lower your peak is to adjust your home's thermostat by three degrees or more and delay running large electric appliances like clothes dryers, dishwashers and ovens. Changing how you prepare meals can also have a big impact.

To see exactly how changes in your lifestyle affect your electric usage, sign up for SmartHub. Our online account portal shows monthly, daily and even hourly use. That way you can see for yourself the effect of turning off appliances! DCREMC's SmartHub data is updated once every 24 hours.

Program benefits:

1. **Earn** bill credits for reducing the amount of electricity used during peak alerts
2. **Reduce** monthly electric bill by adjusting time of use and conserving energy
3. **Lower** the cooperative's peak which may reduce the need for additional power generation plants and electric delivery infrastructure such as electric transmission and distribution lines, helping to keep electric rates low in the future



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Peak Reduction Program Enrollment

Name: _____

Cell Phone 1: _____ Cell Carrier: _____

Cell Phone 2: _____ Cell Carrier: _____

Email 1: _____

Email 2: _____

Enrolled in SmartHub Yes No If no, what date you plan to: _____ / _____ / _____

Plans for reducing load during peaks:

I agree to receive autodialed or prerecorded calls and/or text messages from Decatur County REMC at the number(s) kept on record. I understand that such calls/texts may relay information about outages, due dates, tree trimming and other informational messages, and that I can opt-out of receiving such calls and texts at any time. I further understand that I am not required to provide consent as a condition of purchasing any property, goods or services. I agree to notify DCREMC in the event that I voluntarily or involuntarily relinquish any number(s).

Signature of authorization: _____

Date: _____

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