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Local News from Rural Electric Convenience Cooperative

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RECC's Director Tour revealed unique places of interest like Kelly O'Hara's Little Road Apples Pony Farm

Rural Life is Different

2026 Director Tour

RECC directors and staff toured the cooperative's service territory, or at least all that could be seen in a single day. From the cooperative office, the tour bus headed west towards Waverly, south to the Litchfield area, and east into Taylorville, before completing the 160-mile journey back to Auburn. There wasn't time to view any of the northern territory, but most of those locations were explored on a previous tour. The 2026 trip allowed new directors and employees the opportunity to see numerous accounts served by the cooperative and the methods used to distribute power. Many are unaware of the size of RECC's territory and the diversity of its membership. Special thanks to Otter Lake Water Treatment Plant for conducting a tour and the Thirsty Raccoon for providing the group luncheon.



2026 Director Tour

Waverly, Girard, and Farmersville

Lowder Substation
The Scouler Company
Double Black Diamond Solar Farm
Wind Turbine Project
Ameren Substation and Transmission
Terry Park Golf Course
Otter Lake Water Treatment Plant
Sunset Lake subdivision
Dominican Monastery of Mary the Queen
Gob Nob Wind Turbine
Farmersville Sub
Keyrock Energy green energy project
Coalfield Rest Area Southbound

Litchfield Segment

Pleasant Hill Christian Church
Lincoln Recovery Center
Shell Fuel Station
Lighthouse Antique Mall
Corteva, AKA Pioneer Seed
Weigh Station on I-55
Lake Lou Yaeger Subdivisions
Country Bend Campground
Thirsty Raccoon Saloon
Honey Bend Substation
Midway Trailer Sales
Kamper Kompanion RV park

Taylorville Area

McLane Cold Storage
Lincoln Land Community College
Olde Bowl
Taylorville Airport
Page's Autobody
Lilly Signs
Yard Heating and Cooling
Park West Subdivision
Hathaway Homes Subdivision

Pawnee Section

Sicily Substation
EDK Defensive Consultants
Ameren Austin Substation
Pawnee Public Works
Clareshire Subdivision
Horse Creek Subdivision
Nickorbobs & Hilda's Antiques
Sweet Pea's Antiques & More



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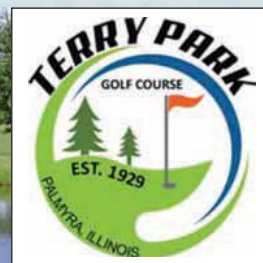
2027 Grants Available

Schools and eligible nonprofit organizations can contact Julie Waghorn at 217-438-6198 or email her at julie.waghorn@recc.coop for more information. An application can also be found on our website at recc.coop. The grants are available with the assistance of CoBank and its Sharing Success program, which provides RECC with matching funds. Applicants must apply before Jan. 31, 2027. Up to \$20,000 will be available to be distributed among four grants.



CoBank's Sharing Success program doubles the contributions of its customers to the charitable organizations and causes they care about most.

2026 Director Tour Continued



Directors and employees get a closer look at RECC's wind turbine in Farmersville

Correction of August Rural HiLights:

One of the three bylaw amendments approved at the 2026 Annual Meeting was not carried unanimously. There was one vote opposing the amendment to Article I, Section 6(C). The other two amendments were carried unanimously as published.



OCTOBER IS NATIONAL CO-OP MONTH

Happy Halloween from RECC

