

**REA Energy Cooperative, Inc.**  
**POLICY BULLETIN NO. C-2C**

SUBJECT: Right-of-Way Clearing and Maintenance

POLICY: The Cooperative will use right-of-way clearing and/or maintenance on new and existing primary and secondary distribution circuits in an effort to maintain a safe and reliable supply of electricity to all members.

A. New Distribution Lines

1. The member will be responsible for the cost of clearing all right-of-way done by the Cooperative.
2. All right-of-way clearing must meet the Cooperative's specifications. Property owners may choose to clear their own right-of-way on their own property.
3. The Cooperative will cut and clear right-of-way on said members' property necessary to construct a new primary or secondary line to supply electricity to said member in accordance with REA's Line Clearance and Herbicide Specifications.
4. The Cooperative requires a twenty (20) foot cleared right-of-way on both sides from the center of a new primary line totaling forty (40) feet from ground to sky.
5. The Cooperative requires a seven and one-half (7.5) foot cleared right-of-way on both sides from the center of new underground lines totaling fifteen (15) feet. Refer to REA Energy Cooperative, Inc. Member Requirements for Electric Service and Upgrades.
6. The Cooperative requires a seven and one-half (7.5) foot cleared right-of-way on both sides from the center of a new secondary and service lines totaling fifteen (15) feet from ground to sky.

7. Clearances for underground cabinets or devices are stated in REA Energy Cooperative, Inc. Member Requirements for Electric Service and Upgrades.

B. Existing Distribution Lines

1. The Cooperative will cut and clear, in accordance with REA's Line Clearance and Herbicide Specifications, all trees located under or within twenty (20) feet of centerline of existing primary lines for a total cleared width of forty (40) feet from ground to sky.
2. Should a member request that a yard tree be trimmed instead of cut, the trimming shall be in accordance with REA's Line Clearance and Herbicide Specifications. A yard tree is defined as a tree growing in a residential lawn that is maintained 360 degrees around the tree.
3. The Cooperative may cut trees or limbs posing a danger to secondary lines as determined by the Cooperative. However, the member can request that the Cooperative disconnect the secondary line long enough for the member to drop said trees or limbs.
4. Underground Right-of-Ways will be maintained in accordance with REA's Line Clearance and Herbicide Specifications.
5. Clearances for underground cabinets or devices are stated in REA Energy Cooperative, Inc. Member Requirements for Electric Service and Upgrades.
6. The Cooperative will utilize other cutting, clearing, trimming and spraying techniques to maintain its right-of-way as determined by the Board of Directors and the President & CEO and as stated in REA's Line Clearance and Herbicide Specifications.

**RESPONSIBILITY:** It shall be the responsibility of the President & CEO to administer this policy.

**AUTHORITY:** Adoption of this bulletin by official action of the Board of Directors at a regular meeting on November 25, 2014.

This policy supersedes and cancels all other policies which relate to the subject matter herein and which may be in conflict herewith.

**DATE:** November 25, 2014

**SECRETARY:** /s/ Robert P. Neese

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