



March 2022

Notice of Annual Meeting

Members of Red Lake County Cooperative Inc are hereby notified of its annual meeting.

The annual meeting will take place at 9:30AM on Tuesday, March 29, 2022

Brooks Community Center, Brooks MN.

Breakfast will be served from 8:30-9:30

The meeting agenda includes year 2021 in review, financial reports, and election of directors.

~Dividend checks will be handed out~

~Gift Card for all attendees~

Todd Wieland, Chairman / Anthony Flage, Secretary

General Manager Update –

I would encourage you to attend our Annual Meeting. This is a great opportunity to get updated on how your Co-op is doing financially and to bring up any questions or concerns. Dividend Checks will be handed out at this meeting, checks that are not picked up will be mailed on April 5th. If you are unable to make the meeting, please reach out to me or one of the directors with any questions or concerns.

This past year has created many challenges from the availability of products, continual price increases, labor shortages, dry weather to a cold, snowy and WINDY winter... Fortunately our employees worked together and got the job done. I could not be more grateful.

Your cooperative continues to hold a strong balance sheet while continuing to grow. Your patience with product outages and staff shortages at times is much appreciated. Thank you for your business we look forward to serving you in the future.

With the increase in commodity prices, we would like to remind our Agronomy and Fuel Patrons to have your operating loan in place for this year’s crop season as credit limits will be reached more quickly. The Co-op has credit limits in place and a 30-day net policy that will be enforced.

Michele Longtin, General Manager

Board of Directors

- Todd Wieland, Chairman
- Conway Olson, Vice Chairman
- Chuck Flage, Secretary
- Ogden Farder Robert Landsverk
- David Kiecker Kevin Amiot



Agronomy Update:

I’d like to start out with a quick introduction for those who I have not yet met. My name is Cole Wittman and I have been with the company for about 18 months; but recently accepted the agronomy manager position. If you’ve been to the gas pump or the grocery store lately you probably have noticed the price increases and unfortunately the agronomy world is no different. That being said this is a good time to think about locking prices in on seed and fertilizer if you haven’t yet done so. I’m sure there are many that I have yet to meet but I look forward to visiting with everyone. Please feel free to stop in anytime or call me and I would gladly drive out to meet you to discuss your farm operation and needs.

Cole Wittman, Agronomy Manager
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Agronomist

Ideal candidate should have a strong product knowledge in fertilizer, chemical and seed. Candidate must have a positive attitude and strong personable skills

Contact Cole at 218-253-2149

C-Store Supervisor – Red Lake Falls

Responsibilities include, scheduling, training, ordering, and keeping the store clean and stocked

Contact Michele at 218-686-3883

These are full-time positions that include full benefit packages.

PROPANE SAFETY & INCENTIVES



Unfortunately, our delivery drivers are seeing propane tanks like this!

Please keep your tank and path clear of snow and debris.

Call when your tank is around 25%

These last few months have been brutal.... For your safety and the safety of our drivers please keep in mind the following items for the remainder of this winter and winters to come.....

- Keep vents clear. Appliance vents and chimney flues need to be clear of snow or ice, too. Some homes may have “direct” vents, which are close to the ground. Improper venting can cause carbon monoxide to become trapped in your home, causing serious illness or even death.
- Clear driveways and pathways to propane tanks. When clearing snow, remember that a propane delivery truck needs at least a 10-foot-wide path to be able to deliver fuel to your home. Also, keep the tank area and a path to the tank free of snow and debris.

2022 Appliance Incentive: Program begins March 1, 2022

- \$1,000 propane combi-units (building heat and domestic hot water provided by same unit)
- \$800 propane water heater
- \$400 furnace or boiler
- \$100 clothes dryer

These incentives are for full-time propane only, no heat pumps and no vent free appliances.

Receipt for appliance dated within 90 days of purchase and installation for submission.

DIESEL FUEL - PROPER STORAGE TANK MAINTENANCE

- Proper tank maintenance can help reduce the amount of water introduced into diesel fuel
- By limiting water in the fuel, we are less likely to see filter plugging in storage tanks and equipment filters

STORAGE TANK MAINTENANCE TIPS

- Drain and remove all water and contaminants quarterly
- All storage tanks should have fuel filters
- Change filters and clean pump screens
- Have tanks cleaned annually

Cenex Roadmaster XL & Ruby Fieldmaster contain “Storage Stabilizer and Anti-Sludge” components to extend the storage life of diesel fuel.

Benefits:

- Tolerates temperature extremes
- Reduces varnish and gum build-up
- Increases injector life & optimizes combustibility
- Allows for 6-9 months longer storage life than #2 diesel