## **Rural Electric Program**



## Grant Funding Details – What you need to know!

- Grant is based on shortest most direct route overhead (this does not necessarily mean cross country), excluding GST & brushing.
  - o up to 25kVa on single phase services
  - no limit on transformer for three-phase
- Grant is 50% of eligible costs over \$4500 (subject to available program funding)
  - Maximum Grant is \$5250
  - Minimum Grant is \$25
- The costs of installing a service the shortest route is required when a longer route, requiring extra meters of line and/or deflections, is used to avoid brushing.
- Where a service must be constructed in a more expensive manner, or constructed underground as a result of a regulation or law, the total cost <u>may</u> be eligible for grant. (Up to the maximum grant amount)
- Easement costs are not eligible for grant unless they're Crown easements.
- Service conversion from small single phase (25Kva or less) to large single phase (over 25Kva) or three phase is eligible for grant, as it is considered a "new service".
- The cost of a service move (transformer or line) is not eligible for grant.
- In the case of irrigation, it is checked to see if there is an existing gas service that would be replaced
  - if there is, then not eligible for grant because we've granted on the gas paid to gas utility and applicant benefit's through contract price.
- Alberta Farm Fuel Benefit number required. (call toll free 310-0000 then 780-422-9167)
  - Sufficient time may be given to obtain an AFFB#



- Up to the applicant to provide AFFB number when received.
- policy is that grant must be advanced within a year of the service being built provided there is a grant budget