# 2021 COOPERATION DOWN THE LINE









**Bill Cherrier** Executive Vice President & CEO Central Iowa Power Cooperative (CIPCO) is a generation and transmission cooperative built by 13 member cooperatives and associations, together with the people they serve in 58 counties across lowa. Our mission is to provide Member-owners with wholesale power and services in a safe, reliable and cost-effective manner. Through our balanced, 24/7 energy portfolio, we provide energy to help power our communities, our state and our economy.

## BY THE NUMBERS



Energy sales

Operating revenue

Net margin

Total assets

Average system rate

Miles of transmission lines

3.04 million MWh \$188 million

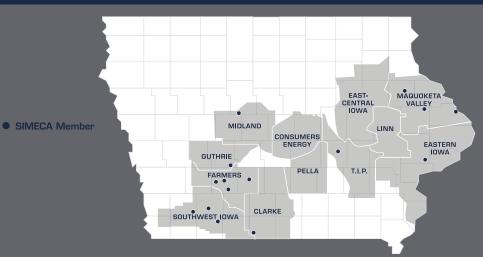
\$23.5 million

\$800 million

5.85 cents/kWh

1,925

CIPCO and its member systems serve approximately 54% of the rural electric cooperative meters in Iowa. 2019 CIPCO data



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## **BUILDING COOPERATION**



#### **INDEPENDENCE WIND**

In late 2020, CIPCO announced plans to purchase 100 percent of the power from RPM Access, LLC's newest endeavor, the 54 MW Independence Wind project in Delaware County. The site is expected to be operational at the end of 2021. When complete, Independence Wind will utilize a total of 19 turbines on 292-foot high towers. Construction activities at the site located near Ryan, lowa, are ongoing with turbines scheduled to arrive in the summer of 2021.

## **POWERING COOPERATION**

#### WAPELLO SOLAR

CIPCO is purchasing output from the largest solar project in lowa to date, which is being developed by Clēnera, LLC. Its completion at the end of 2020 added 100 MW to CIPCO's diverse portfolio through a longterm contract for 100 percent of the solar farm's energy and capacity. Clēnera will continue to own and operate the facility.



## SUMMIT LAKE

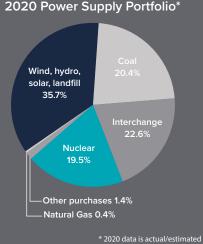
Progress on CIPCO's \$85 million regeneration project at the 70-year-old Summit Lake Generating Station in Creston continues to move forward. Following initial demolition, the new substation, administration building and engine hall were completed in 2020. The 55 MW natural gas-fired reciprocating engine plant was nearly mechanically complete by the end of 2020, with commissioning beginning in January 2021. Demolition of the retired steam plant is expected to be complete by the end of Mav 2021, and a new transmission garage slated for completion in November 2021. The repowering of Summit Lake complements CIPCO's expansion of intermittent wind and solar resources with dispatchable, guick-start natural gas capacity.

## A BALANCED PORTFOLIO OF ENERGY SOURCES

## **GENERATION FACILITIES**

CIPCO is committed to providing environmentally-friendly energy through a diverse mix of wind, hydro, solar, landfill gas, natural gas, coal and oil energy

All or some of the renewable energy credits associated with the generation may have been sold or may be sold in the future to other parties.



#### **HYDROELECTRIC** Western Area Power Administration

#### WIND

Elk Wind Farm, Greeley Hawkeye Wind Farm, Hawkeye Heartland Divide Wind Energy Center, Audubon & Guthrie counties Pioneer Grove Wind Farm, Mechanicsville Rippev Wind Farm, Grand Junction

### NATURAL GAS & OIL

Summit Lake, Creston

#### LANDFILL GAS

Linn County Solid Waste Agency, Marion

#### COAL

Louisa Generating Station, Muscatine Walter Scott, Jr., Energy Centers #3 & #4, Council Bluffs

#### SOLAR

Clarke Solar Farm, Osceola Eastern Iowa Solar, Wilton Marshalltown Gateway Centre Solar Array, Marshalltown Southwest Solar, Corning Urbana Solar Acres, Urbana Wapello Solar, Delaware County ZON VELD (Sun Field), Pella

## Protect the reliability of electric transmission and distribution

lowa's electric cooperatives take seriously our responsibility to safely and reliably serve member-consumers. We ask the Legislature to act and clarify the rights of utilities to mitigate vegetation that interferes with electric lines to prevent certain outages during major storms and allow for more efficient power restoration.

## Ensure digital sales tax equality among electric providers

The 2018 tax bill exempted credit unions, non-profit insurance companies, farming operations and most for-profit companies from the digital products sales tax. However, lowa's electric cooperatives are required to pay the tax. We ask the Legislature to correct this provision to provide equal treatment in lowa's sales tax laws and help cooperatives keep costs lower for stable energy rates.

## Support rural lowa broadband and infrastructure

As proven pillars of the communities we serve, Iowa's electric cooperatives will continue to support rural economic development and community growth. A critical component for growth is access to reliable broadband service. We support more funding at the state and federal level so that providers can offer more rural lowans access to the service.

## Support rural electric cooperatives: The Flexible Financing for Rural America Act (FFRA)

Electric cooperatives provide critical infrastructure to rural communities across the country. Due to the ongoing pandemic, cooperatives have faced numerous struggles while continuing to provide safe, reliable and cost-effective electricity to member-consumers. We encourage Congress to pass the RUS refinancing options within the Flexible Financing for Rural America Act to provide flexibility for managing potential financial shortfalls while allowing cooperatives to focus on the long-term stability of the communities we serve

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

# WORKING COOPERATIVELY

CIPCO and our member systems support the economic prosperity of Iowa's rural communities by attracting companies to the local areas we serve. We help power their growth through flexible, low-cost financing assistance. In addition, our investments in energy infrastructure create millions of dollars in financial capital to help power lowa's economy.

 Perry-based Percival Scientific received REDL&G funding to help finance a \$3.2 million expansion.

# CIPCO has helped fund over \$143.8 million in rural lowa investment since 1997, creating or maintaining 1,247 jobs for lowans. In 2020:

#### **CIPCO Loan Programs**

- \$500,000 to Manchester Enterprises for the Stanley Black & Decker expansion; co-loan with Maquoketa Valley Electric Cooperative.
- \$375,000 to Iowa Steel Fabrication for expansion in Osceola; co-loan with Clarke Electric Cooperative.

#### Rural Economic Development Loan & Grant (REDL&G) Program

- Indianola Pediatric Dental Clinic
- Kunau Implement in Dewitt
- McCullough Creative for business expansion in Dubuque.
- Pella Regional Health Center Prairie City Medical Clinic

In 2020, CIPCO donated nearly \$80,000 to support local community and nonprofit organizations and programs doing important work throughout our Member-owners' service territories. Due to the pandemic, CIPCO focused on serving those in need, including food banks in Creston, Cedar Rapids, Des Moines and Wilton, and COVID-19 healthcare support. Once again, we joined with CoBank to make a gift of \$7,500 to the St. Luke's Foundation Rural Healthcare Grant Program. CIPCO also made significant contributions to new fire stations in Solon and Center Point/Washington Township.

#### Other 2020 CIPCO donation recipients included:

4-H American Red Cross Benton Community Schools Break the Cycle Cedar-Wapsi Pheasants Forever Character Counts/The Robert D. & Billie Ray Center Conesville Fire Department Creston Arts Earlham Music in the Park EveryStep – Art of Compassion Future Farmers of America Hawkeye Area Community Action Program Indian Creek Nature Center Iowa Environmental Council Iowa Sports Foundation

Junior Achievement of Central Iowa Lenox Chamber of Commerce Lenox Community Schools Lisbon Fire Department Madison Co. Foundation for Environmental Education Marion Leadership in Action Midwest Partnership EDC Olivet Neighborhood Mission Quad City Amateur Tour Trees Forever Variety – the Children's Charity Wilton Athletic Boosters Wilton Chamber of Commerce Zach Johnson Foundation

COOPERATIVE DIRECTORS \*Indicates members of the CIPCO Legislative/Public Policy Committee



## The CIPCO Board of Directors is elected by their local member boards and guide organizational decision-making.



## HOW IOWA UTILITIES DIFFER

## COOPERATION DOWN THE LINE

lowans receive electric service from three types of utilities. Each lowa utility has been assigned a defined service terrritory since 1977.

		Ownership	Tax Status	Governed by
	2 Investor-owned Utilities 72.3% of Iowa electric customers	Public Corp	For-profit	Board of Directors
	136 Municipal Utilities 13.5% of Iowa electric customers	Local government	Not-for-profit	City Council or Board
	43 Electric Cooperatives 13.8% of Iowa electric customers	Membership	Not-for-profit	Local Board

With dramatically fewer customers per mile of line, RECs focus on reliability and cost efficiency.





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