

## A MESSAGE FROM YOUR CEO

# Approaching a major milestone: Our fiber build-out nears completion

As we begin a new year, we are wrapping up a major milestone. What started as an ambitious vision in 2021 is about to become a reality for Singing River Electric – the completion of our fiber build-out. Today, we are utilizing this fiber-optic infrastructure to provide more efficient outage response times for our members, as equipment at our substations communicates in real-time with our dispatch operators. As anticipated, we are seeing outage response times minimized.

Our fiber internet subsidiary, Singing River Connect, continues to see exceptional subscriber growth. We've received endless positive feedback from new fiber internet subscribers across our entire service territory. An extremely high percentage of families in our northern counties (Wayne, Perry, Greene, and George) now have this service and are amazed at experiencing what true symmetrical high-speed internet is. New residential subscribers in Jackson County are impressed by the performance of this complete fiber-optic system in comparison to their past internet experiences.

In addition to homes, we also deliver fast, dependable fiber internet service to businesses across our service area. One example is Trent Lott International Airport, where Singing River Connect serves its flight terminal, hangars, fire station, and restaurant. There are also a total of 16 Jackson County fire departments now relying on this same fiber-optic network.

As always, our employees who work for Singing River Electric and Singing River Connect remain focused not only on providing members with excellent electric service at the lowest possible cost but also providing subscribers with fast fiber internet and local customer service. We wish all our members and subscribers a wonderful 2026.



*by Brian Hughey*

General Manager and CEO



## Energy Tips



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## Cold weather efficiency

Cold, winter weather will cause our HVAC systems to work overtime, especially when temperatures dip below 35 degrees.

Lowering your thermostat just a few degrees will help with unwanted HVAC run time. Small adjustments can reduce heating costs and maintain comfort during the cold weather.

Checking for air leaks and drafts around doors and windows and sealing them with weatherstripping (doors) and caulk (windows) can help prevent unwanted air from entering your home.

If you have a fireplace no longer in use, prevent infiltration by closing the damper or sealing off the fireplace entrance with insulation board.

Using sunlight during the day can help reduce energy consumption – open your curtains and blinds to let the sun heat your home for free.

Be sure to reverse your ceiling fans, as heat rises and the reverse motion will push the risen heat down to where you are.

[singingriver.com/ways-to-save](http://singingriver.com/ways-to-save)

## Notice of Singing River Electric Director Qualification Period

Candidates seeking election to Singing River Electric Cooperative's board of directors must visit Singing River Electric's Lucedale office located at 11187 Old 63 South to obtain a director qualification packet. Completed forms and petitions must be returned to the Lucedale office by 5 p.m. on the last business day of February (Friday, Feb. 27, 2026).

# PATHWAYS <sup>2</sup> Possibilities

## CAREER FAIR

*Interactive career exploration for 8th graders*

There are some future linemen, member service representatives, and fiber technicians in the making after more than 6,300 8th graders went through the energy pathway at the annual Pathways2Possibilities (P2P) Career Expo. This event, held on Nov. 19-20 at the Mississippi Coast Convention Center in Biloxi, introduced students to hundreds of possible career paths including those in the energy industry.

Those who came through Singing River Electric's stations performed lineman skills while wearing rubber gloves and simulated working atop a pole with a climbing belt. Students also asked and answered mock questions at the member service counter and learned about fiber internet and splicing at the Singing River Connect table.



# RIGHT-OF-WAY TRIMMING

Singing River Electric's contractors are or will soon begin clearing trees, limbs, and underbrush around and below the power lines on these streets and surrounding areas to help decrease the number of power outages and reduce the risk of coming in contact with the lines.

- **State Line substation** - Highway 42, Highway 57, Knobtown Road, Martin Luther King Drive, and surrounding areas.
- **Benndale substation** - Highway 57, Highway 26, Deep Creek Road, and surrounding areas.
- **Big Point substation** - Highway 613, Highway 63, Big Point Road, and surrounding areas.
- **Helena substation** - Highway 613, Saracennia Road, Wildwood Road, and surrounding areas.

# Singing River Connect's Referral Program

*Our gift to you to kick off the new year!*

EARN A **\$25** SINGING RIVER CONNECT BILL CREDIT FOR EVERY NEW SUBSCRIBER YOU REFER, AND THE NEW SUBSCRIBER GETS **\$25** TOO!

## *How it works:*

Share your name and phone number with the person you're referring. When they call to sign up, they'll give us your information so **you both get the credit.**

For online sign-ups, new subscribers can call **877-272-6611** or email us at **contactus@singingriverconnect.com** to provide the referrer's information.

Referees must be first-time subscribers.

## Don't let your friends start 2026 with bad internet!

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**SR Singing River Connect**

# FIBER CONSTRUCTION TIMELINE

Get blazing-fast fiber internet from local people you trust.

### Step 3: Fiber Construction

*Running fiber lines on poles and burying lines underground*

- Bayou Cassotte
- Kreole
- Monaco Lake
- Singing River Mall
- Gautier
- Fountainbleu
- Gulf Park Estates

### Step 4: Splicing

*Connecting fiber lines to the network*

- Ocean Springs

### Step 5: Service Drop & Drop Splicing & Step 6: Installation

*Bringing mainline fiber to the exterior of your home and connecting your home to blazing-fast fiber internet*

- Hamill Farm
- Sunplex
- Fort Bayou
- Martin Bluff
- Hickory Hills
- St. Martin
- Tucker Road
- Forts Lake
- Helena
- Helena Industrial
- Escatawpa South
- All Singing River Electric areas in George, Greene, Perry, Stone, Wayne, Harrison, Mobile, and Washington counties and north Jackson County

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# Meet your 2026 Mississippi Elected Officials

Singing River Electric salutes Mississippi's senators and representatives who represent our state in Washington, D.C., and at our state capitol in Jackson.



**TATE REEVES**  
Governor



**DELBERT HOSEMANN**  
Lieutenant Governor



**MICHAEL WATSON**  
Secretary of State

## CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION



**MIKE EZELL**  
United States Representative  
Fourth District



**CINDY HYDE-SMITH**  
United States Senator



**ROGER WICKER**  
United States Senator

## MISSISSIPPI SENATE



**Sen. Dennis DeBar, Jr.**  
District 43: George, Greene, and Wayne counties  
Address: P.O. Box 1090  
Leakesville, MS 39451



**Sen. Scott Delano**  
District 50: Harrison County  
Address: P.O. Box 4524  
Biloxi, MS 39535



**Sen. Jeremy England**  
District 51: Jackson County  
Address: P.O. Box 6363  
Vanceville, MS 39565



**Sen. Don Hartness**  
District 42: Forrest, Greene, Jones, and Wayne counties  
Address: P.O. Box 103,  
Ellisville, MS 39437-9998



**Sen. Chris Johnson**  
District 44: Forrest, Lamar, and Perry counties  
Address: P.O. Box 18247  
Hattiesburg, MS 39404



**Sen. Joseph M. "Mike" Seymour**  
District 47: Harrison, Jackson, Pearl River, and Stone counties  
Address: P.O. Box 1018  
Jackson, MS 39215



**Sen. Brice Wiggins**  
District 52: Jackson County  
Address: P.O. Box 922  
Pascagoula, MS 39568

### AVAILABLE!

A free, interactive legislative app for Mississippi

The Electric Cooperatives of Mississippi offers a free, easy-to-use mobile app, which provides information on Mississippi's state and federal elected officials. Look for "ECM Legislative Roster" in the Apple App Store. An Android version is also available through Google Play.



## MISSISSIPPI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



**Rep. Jeramey Anderson**  
District 110: Jackson County  
Address: P.O. Box 311  
Escatawpa, MS 39562



**Rep. Shane Barnett**  
District 86: Greene, Perry, and Wayne counties  
Address: P.O. Box 621  
Waynesboro, MS 39367



**Rep. Manly Barton**  
District 109: George and Jackson counties  
Address: P.O. Box 1018  
Jackson, MS 39215



**Rep. Elliott Burch**  
District 105: George, Greene, and Perry counties  
Address: P.O. Box 1215  
Lucedale, MS 39452



**Rep. Casey Eure**  
District 116: Harrison County  
Address: P.O. Box 1018  
Jackson, MS 39215



**Rep. Jimmy Fondren**  
District 111: Jackson County  
Address: P.O. Box 1018  
Jackson, MS 39215



**Rep. Zachary Grady**  
District 115: Harrison County  
Address: P.O. Box 6326  
D'Iberville, MS 39540



**Rep. Jeffrey S. Guice**  
District 114: Jackson County  
Address: P.O. Box 1018  
Jackson, MS 39215



**Rep. Ronald Steve Lott**  
District 107: George and Stone counties  
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**Rep. John O. Read**  
District 112: Jackson County  
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