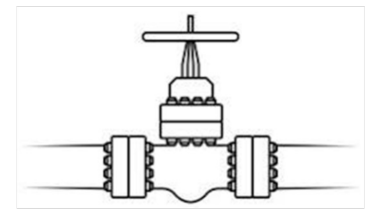


THE RNG PIPELINE-



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15 energy saving strategies

For Summer and Beyond — energysage.com

While energy conservation is the practice of trying to use less energy for cost and environmental reasons, energy efficiency means using specific products designed to use less energy. These two concepts are inherently similar but involve different methods. Examples of energy conservation include using smart appliances and energy-saving bulbs in your home.

Here are 15 ways to start conserving energy yourself:

1. Adjust your day-to-day behaviors
2. Replace your light bulbs
3. Use smart power strips
4. Install programmable thermostat
5. Use energy efficient appliances.

LIHEAP - If you're having trouble paying your heating bill, the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) may be able to help.

LIHEAP is administered by the New Mexico Human Services Department (HSD)

How to apply:

1. Visit the Raton New Mexico HSD office at 1233 Whittier Street office or apply online.
2. If you apply online, fill out a LIHEAP application and take it with you when you go to the Raton HSD office.
3. In addition to a completed

and signed LIHEAP application, including Social Security Numbers for everyone applying for assistance

When Applying Bring:

- Proof of identity of one adult
- Proof of non-citizen immigrant status for all applying for help
- Proof of disability if you are not receiving disability income
- Proof of income for the past 30 days if you are not getting other benefits from HSD, or if you get assistance and your income as changed
- Proof of heating expenses. (copy of a one-month bill showing your account number.)

4. Reduce water heating expenses
5. Install energy efficient windows
6. Upgrade your HVAC system
7. Weatherize your home
8. Insulate your home
9. Wash your clothes in cold water
10. Replace your air filters
11. Use your microwave instead of your stove
12. Use natural light
13. Dress appropriately for the weather inside and outside

Below and in future issues of the Pipeline, we'll explore each of these options for energy conservation in detail.

1. Adjust your day-to-day behaviors

To reduce energy consumption in your home and increase your energy savings, you do not necessarily need to go out and purchase energy efficient products. Energy conservation can be as simple as turning off lights or appliances when you do not need them. You can also use energy-intensive appliances less by performing household tasks manually, such as hang-drying your clothes instead of putting them in the dryer, or washing dishes by hand.

The behavior adjustments that have the highest potential for utility savings are turning down the heat on your thermostat in the winter and using your air conditioner less in the summer. Heating and cooling costs constitute nearly half of an average home's utility bills, so these reductions in the intensity and frequency of heating and cooling offer the greatest savings.

There are tools you can use to figure out where most of your electricity is going in your home and which appliances are using the most electricity on a day-to-day basis.



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SEPTEMBER 2022

Mandatory pre-race meeting Friday, September 9th



Location: Trinidad, Colorado/Raton, New Mexico

EVENT ELEMENTS

- Trail run (10k)
- Paddling (approx. 3 miles)
- Cycling (approx. 15 miles dirt/gravel)
- Shooting Shoot

RACE DIVISIONS:

- Solo Men's
- Solo Women's
- 2-4 person relay teams

Visit www.purg4.com for race rules and registration information.

Hosted by: Trinidad Office of Outdoor Recreation • New Mexico State Parks • TSC Prater Gun Range

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