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Candidate Packets Available for 2024 LPEA Director Election

DURANGO, Colo. – La Plata Electric Association (LPEA) announced today the 2024 election timeline and continued 2024 Annual Meeting. On March 4, LPEA discovered an inconsistency between one of LPEA’s bylaws and Colorado state law. This inconsistency led to potential candidates not having the full amount of time to seek signatures on petitions allowed by law. To cure this inconsistency, the LPEA Board of Directors voted on March 13 to continue LPEA’s Annual Meeting to September 18. This will allow potential candidates the full amount of time they are entitled to by state law in their election campaigns. The LPEA Board of Directors will vote on a proposed amendment at the April 17 meeting to bring LPEA’s bylaws into compliance with state law. The current board members will continue to serve until a new board is elected.

LPEA members interested in running for a seat on the La Plata Electric Association (LPEA) Board of Directors now have access to the 2024 Board Director Candidate Packets at: lpea.coop/elections. Prospective candidates must return all completed materials by 1 p.m. on July 22, 2024, for consideration. Materials may be mailed or hand-delivered to LPEA’s Durango office or Pagosa Springs.

To be eligible to run for the LPEA Board of Directors, candidates must:

- be a member of LPEA for at least one year immediately prior to becoming a director;
- be a bona fide resident of the district you plan to represent for at least 120 days prior to becoming a director and;
- not be employed by, or have a spouse or child employed by, LPEA in any position.

Directors are elected for three-year terms. Incumbent directors up for re-election are Kirsten Skeehan (District 1 – Archuleta County), Kohler McInnis (District 2 – South and West La Plata County), Ted Compton (District 3 – City of Durango), and Tim Wheeler (District 4 –

North and East La Plata County). If there is only one nominee for a position on the board for a district, the board may cancel the election for that district and, by resolution, declare the sole nominee elected to the board.

Qualified candidates will be added to the official ballot mailed to LPEA members in mid-August. Election results will be announced during the 2024 LPEA Annual Meeting on September 18, 2024. For additional information, visit lpea.coop.

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About LPEA

LPEA is a member-owned, not-for-profit, electric distribution cooperative serving La Plata and Archuleta, with segments of Hinsdale, Mineral, and San Juan counties. LPEA is the fifth largest cooperative of 22 in Colorado, and aims to provide safe, reliable electricity at the lowest reasonable cost to its approximately 36,500 members. For additional information, contact LPEA at (970) 247-5786 or visit lpea.coop.