CONTINENTALDIVIDE
AN ENERGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE

JOB OPENING (Grants Office)

POSITION: Groundman, Apprentice Lineworker, or Journeyman Lineworker

Continental Divide Electric Cooperative (CDEC) is accepting applications for a **Groundman**, **Apprentice Lineworker, or Journeyman Lineworker**. Job placement will be based on the applicant's qualifications, experience, certifications, apprenticeship status, and demonstrated linework skills.

Whether you are beginning your lineworker career or are a qualified Journeyman, CDEC offers the opportunity to work on a dedicated team responsible for building, maintaining, and restoring the electric distribution system that powers our communities. Groundmen and Apprentices receive structured training and development opportunities, while Journeyman Lineworkers perform advanced linework and help mentor the next generation of utility professionals.

Key Responsibilities

- Construct, maintain, repair, and restore overhead and underground electric distribution facilities.
- Set poles, install conductors, transformers, services, and other distribution equipment.
- Operate and work around bucket trucks, digger derricks, trailers, and other line equipment.
- Respond to outages, emergency callouts, storm restoration, and system repairs.
- Follow all safety rules, job briefings, grounding practices, and safe work methods.
- If applicable, participate in apprenticeship training, classroom instruction, and skills development programs.
- Assist with substation, service, and distribution system projects while gaining valuable utility experience.

Qualifications

– **Groundman and Apprentice Candidates**
  - High school diploma or equivalent.
  - Ability to perform physically demanding outdoor work in all weather conditions.
  - Ability to climb poles and work at heights.
  - Commercial Driver's License (CDL) or the ability to obtain one within Cooperative requirements.
  - Required to participate in a registered apprenticeship program and complete required training and coursework.

– **Journeyman Candidates**
  - Completion of a recognized Lineworker Apprenticeship Program or equivalent documented journeyman qualifications.

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- Demonstrated experience in overhead and underground electric distribution construction and maintenance.
- Valid CDL and required lineworker certifications.
- Strong commitment to safety and quality workmanship.

Ideal Candidate

The ideal candidate is a motivated, dependable professional with a strong work ethic and a commitment to safety, teamwork, and customer service. He or she demonstrates excellent communication and problem-solving skills, takes initiative, adapts well to changing priorities, and works effectively both independently and as part of a team. The successful candidate is eager to learn, maintains a positive attitude, and is dedicated to delivering high-quality results while supporting organizational goals and values.

To Apply

Submit your resume and completed employment application to rgalindo@cdec.coop
Employment applications are available on the CDEC website at cdec.coop. Applications will be accepted until 5:00 p.m., on November 18, 2026.

Continental Divide Electric Cooperative is an Equal Opportunity Employer.