



## Fall Safety Considerations for Roads, Equipment & Personal Well Being



### Make It Safe, Make It Visible

As a farmer, you often travel long distances between fields, requiring travel on public roads throughout Alberta. Oversized and slow farm equipment, mixed with traditional highway traffic, can result in collisions and other accidents.

You can prevent farm equipment incidents on public roads by focusing on three main areas (see right).

Member safety is important and Fenn REA wants to remind farmers to be safe this harvest season. For more information on safety measures and precautions, visit: [www.alberta.ca/slow-moving-vehicles.aspx](http://www.alberta.ca/slow-moving-vehicles.aspx).

**Make your equipment safe and visible:** follow regulated requirements for lighting and signage including a clean slow moving vehicle (SMV) sign as appropriate. Complete a safety check of any vehicles that will be travelling on public highways (hitch pins, tires, etc.).

**Follow safe driving tips:** travel at a speed that will ensure you can maintain vehicle control, observe road precautions, avoid busy roads / travel times if possible, always stop and make sure the way is clear, and ensure all drivers have a valid driver's license.

**Drive defensively:** stay alert for hazards and if traffic is lined up behind you be sure the shoulder width is sufficient and solid enough to support your equipment before you move over.



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# For Heat's Sake:

## Tips to Keep Your House Warm (and Save Money) This Winter

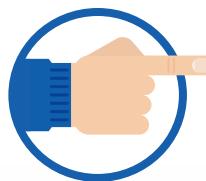
**First, set your home up for warmth.** It's possible to arrange the inside of your home so that it is laid out for optimal heat efficiency. Furniture should be moved away from vents to enable warm air to circulate more easily. Drapes can be strategically opened and closed to catch the sun's heat. Simply adding a few rugs or mats to your decor can help to keep floors warm.

**Seal areas that permit heat to escape – drafts are your worst enemy when it comes to energy efficiency.** Once your room is set up for warmth, be sure to keep that warmth inside. Gaps and cracks around doors and windows must be sealed to prevent heat from escaping. Caulking or weather-stripping are ideal for this purpose, but even plastic wrap or a layer of bubble wrap can add that extra bit of insulation to a window. Insulation is crucial, but it may need to be replaced periodically. The attic and basement are key areas in which to regularly check the insulation.

**Inspect and clean your furnace and fireplace.** Do hire a professional to inspect your furnace yearly, ensuring that it operates correctly. This is key, not only to keep it working efficiently, but also to prevent carbon monoxide leaks or other issues. Filters should be changed even more frequently in winter – about every three months.

**Get efficient with your electricity.** Efficiency is not exclusively about reducing electricity usage; it's about using electricity smartly. Turning your thermostat down by a few degrees can save you hundreds on your utility bill. Try turning down the thermostat to 15°C if everyone is away from home in the daytime, or while you're asleep at night. Programmable thermostats enable you to regulate room temperatures around your daily schedule. As for that ceiling fan, set the direction clockwise to enable it to pull warm air downward into the room.

**Remember your roof is a first line of defense.** Keep gutters clean to allow precipitation to drain freely away from your home and its foundation. Gutters that contain autumn's debris allow ice to accumulate, forcing snow to fall directly onto a house's facade, potentially leading to water damage.



*Ensuring safety, comfort and the longevity of your home will enable you and your family to enjoy everything that Alberta's spectacular winters have to offer.*



### Regulated Rate Option (RRO)

The RRO rate may increase or decrease from month to month as it is priced on the open market and subject to many factors relating to supply and demand. If you do not have a contract with an electricity retailer, then you receive the default RRO rate.

For July 2022, the RRO is priced at \$0.15474 per kWh, which is reflected on your enclosed bill. For August 2022, the Battle River Power Coop monthly RRO billing rate for FENN REA members is \$0.17034. The RRO rate is also listed on [www.fennrea.com](http://www.fennrea.com).

Members are free to purchase electricity services from a retailer of their choice. For a list of retailers, visit [ucahelps.alberta.ca](http://ucahelps.alberta.ca) or call 310-4822 (toll free in Alberta).

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