Along the Lines

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If you don't want to push the boundaries of your A/C unit, try these strategies for beating the heat that cost very little:

- Stay hydrated
- Dress in loose clothing and/or wear cooling fabrics
- Air dry your dishes
- Cook smart! Give the oven a break. Take advantage of the microwave, air fryer or grill.
- Hang clothes to air dry
- Close the blinds, shades or drapes
- Change the sheets on your bed - the right fabrics can make a big difference!
- Ceiling fans help circulate air - make sure they are moving counterclockwise in the summer
- Eat cool stuff - Summer is the best time to enjoy ice cream, snow cones, watermelon & a cool pasta salad.

There are tons of cheap ways to stay cool this summer without breaking the bank. Summer will bring the hot temperatures so please be prepared and be safe!

You can add, disconnect and/or transfer services online! Just go to our website www.rmurolla.org

DID YOU KNOW?

The 2025 Annual Water Quality Report is now accessible. This report is compiled annually in accordance with Federal and State regulations and submitted to the Missouri Department of Natural Resources. Rolla's drinking water is sourced from 19 deep wells within the Ozark Aquifer. To ensure reliable fire protection and a consistent fresh water supply, the wells are operated and rotated based on demand. To view the full report, visit: www.dnr.mo.gov/ccr/MO3010700.pdf. The report will also be available at our Business Office located at 102 W. 9th Street.



The Process

1 — Notify Missouri 811

Request a utility locate online or by phone at 811 at least three full working days prior to excavation.

2 — Utilities Are Notified

Missouri 811 will notify any public utility companies within your dig site while you wait the required time.

3 — Utilities Mark Their Lines

The utilities will locate and mark their lines, or provide an all clear notification.

4 — Confirm the Marks

You confirm the marks and utility statuses.

5 — Dig with Care!

Stay Safe While You Celebrate This Fourth of July

What is the Fourth of July without a loud, wondrous display of brightly-colored fireworks? As the night sky appears, however, keep in mind that fireworks can create dangerous situations if used improperly. Make sure your celebrations are safe for family and friends with these safety tips:

- Carefully set up and use fireworks in an open area clear of overhead power lines, utility poles or pad-mounted transformers (the big green utility boxes)
- Read all warning labels and directions carefully. Most firework injuries occur from improper use
- Handle all fireworks carefully: even small fireworks, like sparklers. Do not let children handle fireworks.
- If a firework lands on a power line or gets tangled in overhead wires, do not attempt to retrieve it.
- Make sure to have water nearby in case of a fire or an accident.
- Dispose of fireworks by soaking them in water and leaving them in a trash can

What is a Peak Alert?

A period during extremely hot temperatures (around 3-7 p.m.) when electricity is most expensive due to high demand.

Lowering your use during this period helps to keep our utility rates stable.

WHAT TO DO DURING A PEAK ALERT

- Raise your thermostat 2-5 degrees
- Turn Off & Unplug
- Avoid using major appliances
- Postpone household chores