



## TIPS FOR A SAFE HARVEST

Agriculture is the backbone of our country, and our livelihood greatly depends on the crops provided by American farmers. In addition to being one of the most labor-intensive professions, farming is also considered one of the most dangerous jobs in the U.S.

The hard work and exhaustive labor are tough but rushing the job to save time can be extremely dangerous—even deadly—when farming near electrical equipment.

Every year, we see collisions where tractors and other farming equipment accidentally collide with utility poles and power lines, causing injuries and power outages. These dangerous accidents can be avoided by looking up and around your surroundings when operating large farm machinery. If you're preparing for harvest season, please keep the following safety tips in mind:

- ✓ Maintain a 10-foot clearance around all utility equipment in all directions.
- ✓ Use a spotter and deployed flags to maintain safe distances from power lines and other electrical equipment when working in the field.
- ✓ If your equipment makes contact with an energized or downed power line, contact 9-1-1 immediately and remain inside the vehicle until the power line is de-energized. In case of smoke or fire, exit the cab by making a solid jump out of the cab (without touching it), and hop away to safety.
- ✓ Consider equipment and cargo extensions of your vehicle. Lumber, hay, tree limbs, irrigation pipes and even bulk materials can conduct electricity, so keep them out of contact with electrical equipment.

September 19-25 is National Farm Health and Safety Week but practicing safety on the farm year-round yields positive results. We hope you never find yourself in a situation where farming equipment contacts power lines or poles, but if you do, we hope you'll remember these safety tips.

**Keep Accidents Down On The Farm...**



**Practice  
Safe Farming!**

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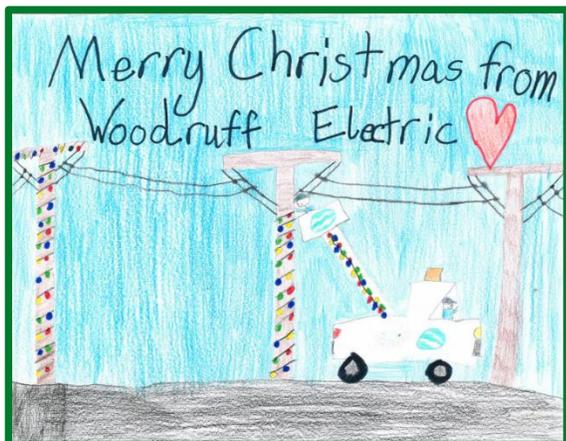
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# MAKE TIME FOR SAFETY

AVOID HAZARDS WITH OVERHEAD POWER LINES

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2020 Winner by Lexi K.

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- One winner will receive a \$50 gift card.
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Source: energy.gov



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