

NOTICE OF ELECTION:



2021 Elections for NEC Directors Will Take Place In The Following Districts:

District #2
Pinetop

District #6
Show Low, Linden, Pinedale, Clay Springs

District #5
Springerville, Eagar, Alpine, Blue

District #8
Reserve, Luna, Glenwood

The board appoints the nominating committees for each voting district. The nominating committees will meet within the various districts the last week of June and into July if necessary. For information on meeting dates and locations, please contact Elizabeth Neal at 928-368-1201. The nominating committees provide the nominee names during these meetings.

Other persons may be nominated by petition containing the signatures of at least fifty (50) members from such district.

Nominating petitions must be filed at NEC headquarters office in Lakeside, Arizona by 6:00 p.m. Monday, August 2, 2021.

Petition forms will be available at NEC headquarters office in Lakeside starting July 1, 2021. They will also be available at the Nominating Committee meetings. No member may sign the petition for more than one person seeking to be nominated by petition. Candidates must be members residing in the district.

These names are then placed on ballots, which will be mailed in August. With reference to the ballots:

- *Do not enclose anything but the ballot in the ballot envelope, as these are not opened until the day before the Annual Meeting.*
- *Erasure or cross-outs could invalidate ballots. If you make a mistake, please ask for a new ballot.*

SECTION 3. Qualifications:

No person shall be eligible to become or remain as director or to hold any position of trust in the Cooperative who:

- a) is not a natural person and bona fide member receiving electric service and bona fide resident in area served or to be served by the Cooperative; or
- b) is in any way employed by or financially interested in a competing enterprise or business selling supplies to the Cooperative or one that is in a direct conflict with the Cooperative in business relationship or sales of electric power.
- c) is the incumbent of or candidate for an elective public office which would be or is in conflict with the normal service of a Cooperative Director's duties and a public affairs position that receives compensation or a salary in excess of \$600 per year.
- d) is related to or a relative of any NEC Board of Director or NEC Employee or within the five years immediately preceding the election has been convicted of a felony or an employee of Navopache. "Relative" and "related" is defined as the spouse, parent, child, sibling, brother, sister, grandparent, step-parent, grandchild or legal ward or guardian of an employee, all marriage-related in-laws and first cousins thereto.
- e) has not been a member of the Cooperative for the preceding twelve (12) months.
- f) Beginning with the annual meeting in November, 1949, no more than one director shall be elected from each of the above named districts and, should any director so elected from any district move his residence from said district, then the remaining members of the Board of Directors shall declare his office vacant and a majority of the Board shall elect a new member for the balance of his term.

Upon establishment of the fact a director is holding office in violation of any of the foregoing provisions, the Board of Directors, or any of them, shall remove such director from office.

Nothing contained in this section shall affect in any manner whatsoever the validity of any action taken by any meeting of the Board of Directors.