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Safety is a Value at Idaho Power

We work in an industry where hazards are part of the everyday job. That's why Safety First is a core value we live by at Idaho Power. It means our employees will return home to their families in the same condition they left, and that our customers can count on us to take care of them as well.

As part of our safety culture, Idaho Power employees go through rigorous training, adhere to strict safety standards and are empowered to speak up if they notice hazards. This has led to some of our safest years on record.

This January, Idaho Power was recognized by the Edison Electric Institute (EEI) with the Thomas F. Farrell, II Safety Leadership and Innovation Award for our approach of combining psychological and behavioral safety with practical human performance principles. Put simply, we teach our employees how our brains process information and how we can use the right mindset combined with vital behaviors to perform work safely. "I applaud Idaho Power for its leadership and commitment to protecting the health and safety of its employees. Idaho Power's continuous innovations have helped to shape health and safety education and many of the protocols used across our industry, and this award is well deserved."

~ Tom Kuhn, EEI President

We're proud of our safety record, but most importantly, we're proud of our safety culture and grateful that our employees return home safely to their families. We're also privileged to serve as a pillar of safety in our communities, whether it's helping tend to car crash victims or giving electrical safety presentations to classrooms (see below!). You can count on Idaho Power to put safety first!

We Offer Free Safety Presentations!

Did you know Idaho Power's education and outreach energy advisors work with schools

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and community groups to increase understanding about the energy industry, including electrical safety?

For school children (K–6), topics range from basic concepts of electricity and its safe use around the home to high-voltage safety demonstrations. For older students and adults, we offer a presentation centered on electrical safety in our communities. We can also customize sessions to suit your needs.

For more information about the presentations we offer and additional resources, visit our website at **idahopower.com/learn** or view our **Community Education Guide**. To schedule a presentation, email **learn@idahopower.com** or contact your education and outreach energy advisor.



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How Idaho Power Keeps the Grid Safe

Ever wonder what measures Idaho Power takes to ensure the safety of the power grid and how it might affect your community? Maintaining a safe, reliable power system is at the heart of what we do every day. Here are some of the ways we strive to keep the grid safe:

- We design and build equipment to meet or exceed industry standards.
- Our personnel monitor the grid 24/7, and employees stand ready to respond anytime in the event of an emergency.
- We proactively inspect and regularly maintain our equipment using visual inspections and technology like thermal imaging, drones and helicopters.
- We replace older underground power lines and install them in more modern, safer conduit.
- We protect against wildfires by wrapping high-risk poles in mesh, clearing vegetation from around their base, and trimming trees to keep them away from power lines. We also replace or install new equipment to protect or "harden" our grid against wildfires.
- We work with emergency responders and de-energize our equipment if the need arises.

For more information on how Idaho Power protects the grid for wildfire season and what you can do to prepare — visit **idahopower.com/wildfire**.



Do You Know What to Do Around Downed Power Lines?

You should always assume power lines are energized and dangerous — most are. But most are also high in the air or buried underground for your safety. So, what should you do if a power line has fallen on the ground, or on your vehicle? High winds, heavy snowfall and wildfires can cause power lines to fall. So can vehicle accidents with power poles. Here's the essential information you need to stay safe.

- Stay at least 100 feet back from any downed line and keep others away as well.
- Call 911, and contact Idaho Power immediately at 208-388-2323 or 1-800-488-6151 (outside the Treasure Valley).
- Never touch a downed line or use any object to move a downed power line.
- Never remove tree limbs or other objects near or touching a downed line.
- If someone touches a downed power line, do not touch or try to rescue them. You risk becoming a victim yourself. Call 911 immediately.

If a power line falls on your vehicle:

- Stay inside until help arrives, and warn others not to touch the vehicle. Call for help.
- If you must leave the vehicle because of a fire or other life-threatening situations, jump out and as far away as possible with both feet landing on the ground at the same time. Keeping your feet together, shuffle away from the scene at least 100 feet. <u>DO NOT</u> touch the vehicle and the ground at the same time. For a demonstration, watch our Downed Power Line Safety video at idahopower.com/PowerLineSafety.



From the Energy Efficient Kitchen

Peach Melba Yogurt Parfait

1½ cups Greek-style honey yogurt 1½ cups nonfat plain yogurt 3 fresh peaches, pitted and cut into bite-sized pieces 1½ cups fresh raspberries ¼ cup sliced, toasted almonds



In a medium bowl, stir together yogurts until smooth. Spoon $\frac{1}{2}$ cup fresh peaches into six parfait glasses. Top each with $\frac{1}{4}$ cup yogurt mixture, $\frac{1}{4}$ cup raspberries and additional $\frac{1}{4}$ cup yogurt mixture. Garnish with sliced almonds. Makes six servings.

Recipe selected from Idaho Power's Centennial Celebration Cookbook.