

Bluebonnet ● POWERED BY *Safety*

Move over for line workers — it's the law!

Most motorists know to move over a lane or slow down to 20 mph below the posted speed limit if a law enforcement vehicle has stopped another motorist on the side of a road or highway. But did you know that Texas lawmakers passed a bill in 2019 requiring the same protection for utility workers?

The state's Move Over/Slow Down law was expanded from police, fire, medical emergency, Texas Department of Transportation vehicles and tow trucks to include utility vehicles that are

stationary with flashing amber or blue lights.

“Our crews in the field really appreciate members and other drivers abiding by this important law that helps keep line workers safe and able to focus on restoring power as quickly and safely as possible,” said Heath Siegmund, Bluebonnet’s manager of safety. “We still see motorists failing to move over or slow down, so we want to make sure they are aware of this law and why it’s in place.”



If possible, motorists must get out of the lane nearest any stationary vehicle with flashing blue or amber lights, or slow down to 20 mph below the posted speed limit. Photo by Sarah Beal

CAPITAL CREDITS

Bluebonnet returns excess revenue to members

Most Bluebonnet members will see a credit on their bill in May. It's called “capital credits,” and it is one of the benefits of being a member of an electric cooperative.

The co-op shares with its members money it collects above what is required to run the business. The amount that members receive depends on how much electricity they used in the previous years



and how long they have been Bluebonnet members. Questions? Contact a member service representative at memberservices@bluebonnet.coop or 800-842-7708.

CO-OP INFORMATION

Member service center lobbies remain closed, but drive-through lanes are open during regular business hours, between 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Report outages by texting OUT to 85700 (to register, text BBOUTAGE to that number) or via 800-949-4414, bluebonnet.coop or our mobile app. Pay your bill any time online, on our mobile app or by calling 800-842-7708.



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