As we continue to address challenges related to COVID-19, work progresses in support of our Energy Vision so that we can better serve you in the future.

Recently, we commissioned Palmer Solar, our latest renewable energy project. This 220,000-panel solar field will generate 60 megawatts of electricity, enough to power approximately 22,000 homes per year.

Over the last six months we’ve increased our renewable resources from 19 megawatts to 114 megawatts and plan to add more, plus an energy storage facility by 2024.

At the core of our long-term planning are our Electric and Natural Gas Integrated Resource Plans (IRPs). The IRPs will lay the groundwork to ensure resilient, reliable and cost-effective energy that is environmentally sustainable.

Over the past year we’ve collected public input about our energy future. Thank you for participating in this process. Our Utilities Board will use this information, plus our analysis, to select an energy plan during a special meeting on Friday, June 26, from 8 to 10 a.m. More details at csu.org.
Payment assistance

If you need help with your bill, check out one of these programs:

- **Low-income Energy Assistance Program (LEAP):** a federally-funded program that extended its application deadline to Aug. 31 or until funds are exhausted.
- **Project COPE:** offers emergency utilities payment assistance regardless of income. Eligibility for help has expanded due to COVID-19.

In addition, we offer several payment plans, including budget billing, skip a payment and pick my payment date. Learn more at csu.org.

High-quality drinking water in 2020 report

We are proud to supply some of the highest quality, safest and best tasting drinking water in the country - all documented our 2020 Water Quality Report.

Although our source water comes from high mountain snowmelt, it still takes hard work and dedication from our employees to ensure that safe drinking water is provided to you.

Our experts conduct about 50,000 water tests for chemical and biological factors each year. Some of this analysis is required to meet state and federal standards, while others are part of quality testing, such as taste and odor.

Visit csu.org/waterqualityreport to learn more.

Water-wise rules

**Water your landscape any three days per week.** In the summer, water before 10 a.m. or after 6 p.m. Details at csu.org.

Shave the peak

In the summer, electricity demand is highest from 3 to 7 p.m., mainly due to air conditioning. By decreasing use during this time, we increase reliability and save you money. Try these tips:

- Raise the thermostat two degrees and use fans.
- Close blinds to keep out the sun’s heat out.
- Cook outside with your grill or use your microwave indoors.