

**NORTHERN
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COUNTY
PUD**

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Board Meetings

Usually the fourth Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m. at the PUD offices, 2345 River Road. The public is always welcome.

Our Mission

To provide reliable, competitively-priced energy and related services that benefit our customers, in the tradition of public power.

Our Core Values and Beliefs

Local citizens championed and fought to create our People's Utility District. They believed—and we believe—in the public's right to own and control its electric utility.

Today, our values are a legacy from our public power heritage, as well as guideposts for a changing future. We believe in:

- *Public ownership and local control.*
- *Integrity.*
- *Keeping power rates as low as possible.*
- *Providing quality essential services.*
- *Quality customer service.*
- *Community involvement.*

Manager's Report



Dear Customers - Our Friends and Neighbors,

On June 6, Governor Kulongoski signed into law Oregon's electric renewable portfolio standard (RPS). Oregon's RPS law is one of the most stringent in the country.

For the state's largest utilities, comprising approximately 85% of the state's total retail electric sales, twenty-five percent of their sales must come from renewable resources by 2025. Eligible renewable resources include wind, solar, wave, geothermal, biomass and low-impact hydro, but not hydroelectricity purchased from the Bonneville Power Administration. NWCPUD and other small utilities will be required to provide ten percent of their sales from renewable sources by 2025.

Unfortunately, the new law still does not recognize our conservation efforts or our The Dalles hydro project as renewable resources. Our hydro project at The Dalles Dam was legislated to be ineligible because it became operational four years too soon. We are investigating alternatives that could have it declared eligible under the new law. We fully expect to have both our hydro projects qualified to help meet the new power supply standard by 2025.

The final law signed by the governor is better than the original version introduced last January. The PUDs in Oregon worked hard with the cooperatives to help make the RPS law more reasonable and affordable. We send our sincere thanks to both Senator Ferrioli and Representative Dallum who were of great help and support.

We think it highly likely that there will be more electric energy policy changes in the years to come. We also expect there to be national energy policy changes that will impact our PUD.

Whether at the state or national level, we will continue to work hard on your behalf. We believe that adequate supplies of energy at affordable prices will help us sustain a vibrant economy and a high quality of life. You can rest assured that your elected board of directors and the staff of the PUD will always consider your best interest in our plans and actions.

Until next time, have a great day.

Dwight Langer
General Manager

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