

**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 Our Neighbors,
Although 2008 has only just begun, it is clear that the pace of activity for the year will be robust.

In 2008, we will be presented with a new 20-year contract between Northern Wasco County PUD and the Bonneville Power Administration. This new and historic power supply contract will include the amount and the terms of our share of the federal-based hydro system with all the economic advantages, responsibilities and costs

that entails.

This year, we will also be battling in court in support of the new science-based hydro system biological opinion. The terms of the bi-op set forth the conditions and operating parameters to be strictly enforced by the federal agencies that actually operate the hydro system.

This particular biological opinion is unprecedented in its depth and scientific analysis in proposing specific actions to be taken for the benefit of each species of fish under the Endangered Species Act. Though never in our nation's history has there been a more comprehensive, science-based and expensive program for the benefit of fish and wildlife, there still remain many, many citizens who oppose the biological opinion and who only support breaching the dams.

The Columbia and Snake River hydro system has been accurately described as "the best and cleanest power system on the continent and the envy of many." We mustn't forget that in addition to operating the system for the benefit of fish, it is also operated for recreation, transportation and flood control.

In addition to these very important matters, we will be representing your best interests before the Oregon legislature in Salem and on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C.

Until next time, have a great day.

Dwight Langer
General Manager

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