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Board Meetings

Usually the fourth Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m. at the PUD offices, 2345 River Rd. 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.**

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Manager's Report



Dear Customers—Our Friends and Our Neighbors,

Last month, Northern Wasco County PUD, along with our fellow public power friend and neighbor, Wasco Electric Cooperative, sponsored two important statements in The Dalles Chronicle about salmon recovery efforts.

The PUD and the co-op feel strongly about the message to all of our collective customers to get the salmon out of the courtroom and into the river.

It is time to embrace the biological opinion (BiOp)—the new salmon plan that is ready for action. The plan is based on science and common sense. It does more for salmon, while preserving our clean, renewable hydropower system. It also balances salmon protection with jobs and our way of life in the Pacific Northwest.

We have an opportunity to embark on a new era of salmon recovery and end decades of litigation and divisiveness regarding the Columbia and Snake rivers. Unprecedented agreement emerged during the crafting of this new plan to help endangered salmon and steelhead. An overwhelming majority of the states, tribes, federal agencies and river interests in the region now stand ready to move forward with implementation.

Despite the broad-based support for the investment of billions of dollars in the BiOp during the next decade, the plan remains at the mercy of District Judge James Redden. Opponents are demanding extreme measures, such as removal of the four Lower Snake River dams.

Officials in the Obama Administration are reviewing the plan. It is imperative, in our opinion, that they stand behind the BiOp and send a strong signal to Redden that they intend to seize this historic opportunity to help put aside regional divisiveness and move ahead with salmon recovery.

We ask for your support on this issue and that you voice your support for the BiOp to your legislators.

Until next time, have a great day.

Dwight Langer
General Manager