

# Chelan County PUD

Formed in 1936, Chelan County PUD District No. 1 is a municipal corporation that owns and operates one of the largest non-federal, publicly owned hydroelectric generating systems, along with wind and solar resources, in the country. The PUD's 3000-square-mile service area covers all of Chelan County and extends into four neighboring counties. Chelan PUD has grown into a multi-faceted public utility, and over the years has added water and wastewater utility services, whole-sale fiber, and telecommunications.

In 1999, the PUD began construction of an internal fiber-optic backbone to link district facilities with broadband capacity. In addition to offering fiber network capacity to customer-owners through wholesale telecommunications, the PUD further diversified its operations with a fiber-optic telecommunication network that provides wholesale voice, data, and television services to local service providers who market to end-users. The PUD's main headquarters are in Wenatchee, while two more offices are in Chelan and Leavenworth.





#### **Awards**

- Rated one of the Top 10 US Mountain Towns by *National Geographic*
- Rated one of the Top 20 Western Dream Towns by Sunset Magazine
- Rated one of the Top 25 places to retire by *Forbes*

#### **Benefits of Chelan:**

- Excellent school systems, including public and private
- Higher Ed opportunities
- Affordable housing
- Strong transportation systems
- Ready access to metropolitan amenities (Spokane or Seattle)



## Climate and Overall Weather:

- 4 seasons with favorable, moderate weather
- 250 days of sunshine year-round
- Best of the Northwest, without the rain (average of 12" per year)
- Summer high, 86 degrees; Winter low, 22 degrees







## Activites / Recreation / Entertainment:

- Water sports on Wenatchee
  Columbia Rivers, as well as
  Lake Chelan
- Hiking / Biking trails
- Rock climbing
- Golf
- Downhill & Cross-Country skiing
- Theaters, Music Venues, Museums
- Bavarian-themed town of Leavenworth with yearlong events & entertainment



#### **Fast Facts on Chelan PUD:**

- $\sim$ 51,000 electric customers, with average retail residential rate of 3.2 cents per kilowatt hour, 4th lowest in the nation
- Own & operate 3 hydroelectric projects, which on average, produce 7.7 million megawatt hours of clean, reliable, low-cost, carbon emission free, power a year enough to run a city of 900,000 people.
- Part of the country's first Habitat Conservation Plans for anadromous fish. Under these landmark accords, Chelan PUD agrees to very high-performance standards of "no net impact" on Salmon and Steelhead runs passing the dams.
- A solar leader in WA state thanks to award-winning Sustainable Natural Alternative Power (SNAP) program.
- Awarded the Award of Excellence from the APPA for their website and social media sites.



### **Employees:**

- 760 full- and part-time employees
- Approximately 65 seasonal park, fish and wildlife and student employees throughout the year



### **Budget:**

- \$440 million annual budget
- Capital investment projects of about \$170 million

### **About the Position: Chief Technology Officer**

The Chief Technology Officer has the responsibility of:

- Establishing Chelan as a leader in utility technology
- Strategic Technology Leadership
- Technology Project Management
- Enterprise Architecture

- Applications Delivery
- Cyber Security and IT Operations
- Technology Tool and Process Improvement
- Budgeting and Fiscal Responsibility

This individual will also be adept at change management and utilize leadership skills and expertise to build strong teams and implement effective technology development methods across the organization.



#### **Education**

- Bachelor's degree (B.S. or B.A.) in Information Systems, Computer Science, Business, or a closely related field from a four-year college or university; or equivalent combination of education and experience.
- Master's degree in a related area preferred.

## **Experience**

- 15 years of information technology experience, including 7 years leading an IT organization or large teams within an IT organization.
- Enterprise wide software implementation, including SaaS and PaaS operating environments
- IT strategic planning, organization design, leadership, and development
- Negotiating software licenses and service agreements
- Utility industry experience

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