Chelan County PUD

2015 Budget Presentation November 3, 2014



What we will cover today...

Timeline

Strategic Focus & Initiatives Initial
Results &
Highlights

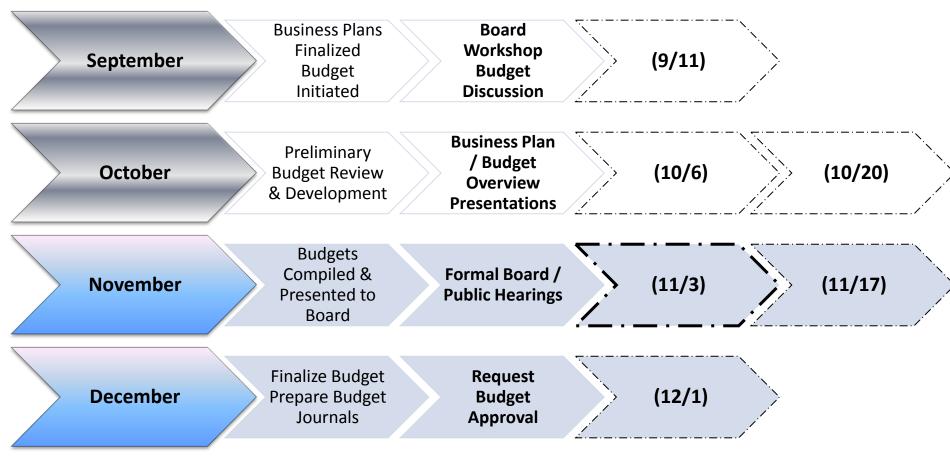
Human Resource Overview

Next Steps

No Board Action Required Today



Budget Timeline



Indicates Board Meetings



Strategic Focus

2015-2019 planning and the 2015 Budget are built around strategic initiatives and business plans presented Oct. 6th

Potential outcomes of strategic planning are not included – may require budget adjustments next year

The foundation of our strategic initiatives and budget is at the top of our balanced scorecard – Customer-Owner Satisfaction



2015-2019 Strategic Initiatives

- Continuing accelerated debt repayments to help prepare for low probability/high consequence negative financial events
- Catching up on deferred maintenance and capital projects
- Seeking out long term value in markets, infrastructure and regulatory compliance investments

2015-2019 Strategic Initiatives

- Increasing strategic focus for the organization (extend attention to 5-15 year period)
- Preparing our people for increasing challenges
- Enhancing customer/stakeholder satisfaction
- Pursuing operational excellence



Keys to 2015-2019 PlanningCreating value for our customer-owners

Measure: Net revenues (our bottom line)

Net revenues (million \$)	Budget 2014	Budget 2015	Forecast 2016	Forecast 2017	Forecast 2018	Forecast 2019	Total 2014-18
Budget Adoption, Dec. 2013	85.5	102.8	86.3	85.6	82.4		442.6
Budget/Forecast, Oct. 2014	87.7	97.8	86.8	84.4	83.1	85.2	439.8
Change since last year	2.2	(5.0)	0.5	(1.2)	0.7		(2.8)

- Within \$3 million of last year's forecast for 2014-2018
 - Revenues up \$33 million
 - Expenses up \$36 million
 - Risks decreasing through investments in assets, compliance and customer satisfaction



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➤ Measure: Liquidity

Total Liquidity (million \$)	Budget 2014	Budget 2015	Forecast 2016	Forecast 2017	Forecast 2018	Forecast 2019
Budget Adoption, Dec. 2013	305.4	351.5	392.4	441.6	467.1	
Budget/Forecast, Oct. 2014	320.1	303.3	314.4	313.9	327.3	296.6
Change since last year	14.7	(48.2)	(78.0)	(127.7)	(139.8)	

- Projected balance has decreased \$140 million since last year's forecast for 2014-2018
 - Additional planned debt payments of \$93 million
 - Increased capital spending of \$47 million (catching up)
 - Good use of cash- increased flexibility while balance still above liquidity target

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Measure: Debt reduction

Debt Balance (million \$)	Budget 2014	Budget 2015	Forecast 2016	Forecast 2017	Forecast 2018	Forecast 2019
Budget Adoption, Dec. 2013	734.7	677.6	650.8	613.7	572.8	
Budget/Forecast, Oct. 2014	734.7					382.4
Change since last year	0.0					332.1

- Planned debt reduction of ~\$352 million (2015-19)
- Projected to achieve debt ratio of less than 35% by 2018 (one year earlier than target of 2019)



Combined Financials 2015-19

(in 000's)	Prelim Budget 2015	Forecast 2016*	Forecast 2017*	Forecast 2018*	Forecast 2019*
Service Revenue	62,189	63,119	64,032	64,866	65,059
Net Surplus Energy Revenue	243,073	225,257	223,849	224,332	226,582
Other Operating Revenue	21,238	22,888	24,533	25,494	26,130
Operating Expense	(145,556)	(143,215)	(145,679)	(156,707)	(160,392)
Depreciation & Tax Exp	(54,172)	(56,001)	(59,672)	(57,614)	(58,541)
Operating Income / (Loss)	126,772	112,048	107,063	100,371	98,838
Non–Operating Activity	(28,992)	(25,209)	(22,632)	(17,298)	(13,652)
Combined "Bottom-Line"	97,780	86,839	84,431	83,073	85,186

^{*}This is an updated forecast post Q3 09/30/2014: Forecast as of 10/24/2014



Keys to the 2015 Budget

Continue debt reduction strategy with a net reduction of over \$122 million in 2015

Focus on deferred projects and continue with turbine & generator refurbishments

Operating expenditures & staffing to be in alignment with the District's business plans

Strategic planning to be completed, financial impacts currently not included



Combined Financial Results

(in 000's)	Adopted Budget 2014	Prelim Budget 2015	\$ Change	% Change
Service Revenue	61,458	62,189	731	1.2%
Net Surplus Energy Revenue	224,496	243,073	18,577	8.3%
Other Operating Revenue	19,519	21,238	1,719	8.8%
Operating Expense	(131,414)	(145,556)	(14,142)	10.8%
Depreciation & Tax Expense	(55,569)	(54,172)	1,397	(2.5)%
Operating Income	118,490	126,772		
Non-Operating Activity	(33,009)	(28,992)	4,017	(12.2)%
Combined "Bottom-Line"	85,481	97,780		



Service Revenue

(in 000's)	Adopted Budget 2014	Prelim Budget 2015	Variance
Residential Electric	25,646	25,975	Modest customer growth
Commercial Electric	16,523	16,718	Modest customer growth
Industrial Electric	5,823	5,763	2014 usage below budget
Other Electric	1,705	1,661	Consistent with 2014
Electric Service	49,697	50,117	
Water Service	4,922	5,142	Overall modest growth
Wastewater Service	589	545	No rate increase placeholders
Fiber & Telecom	6,250	6,385	
Service Revenue 1	61,458	62,189	

¹ - Combined results above exclude intersystem activity



Net Surplus Energy Revenue

	Adopted Budget	Prelim Budget	
(in 000's)	2014	2015	Variance
Slice Contracts	76,136	69,873	2014-22% / 2015-20%
Block/Pre Sch/Real Time	31,812	53,983	2015 locked in at higher market prices ~\$50/mwh
EP&T Net Wholesale	107,948	123,856	
LT Hydro Contracts	117,909	120,713	Increased operating cost Rocky Reach large unit repairs
Less: Nine Cyns & Other PP	(1,361)	(1,496)	Consistent with 2014
Net Surplus Energy Revenue	224,496	243,073	



Other Operating Revenue

(in 000's)	Adopted Budget 2014	Prelim Budget 2015	Variance
Transmission/Wheeling	6,992	7,846	Increased transmission cost
Real Time Contract – Fixed	4,000	4,000	Consistent with 2014 budget
Real Time Contract – Variable	3,963	4,000	Consistent with 2014 budget
Environmental Attributes	787	2,482	Consistent with 2014 results
Service Charges	1,063	1,177	Consistent with 2014 budget
Misc Other Items	2,714	1,733	2014 -Rotor Crack Insurance Claim \$1.5M
Other Operating Revenue	19,519	21,238	



Major O&M Cost Drivers



Rocky Reach Large Unit Repairs ~\$9M



Rocky Reach Spillway Apron ~\$3M



Combined Regular & Overtime FTE's staffing increase of ~27



Safety, Compliance & Regulatory



Operating Expense

(in 000's)	Adopted Budget 2014	Prelim Budget 2015	Variance
Hydro O&M	40,974	48,137	Rocky Reach large unit repairs & asset mgt
Hydro Fish & Wildlife	14,272	15,059	Consistent with 2014 Budget
Hydro Parks & Recreation	6,408	7,063	Major park maintenance increase
Electric Distribution	11,381	11,759	Consistent with 2014 Budget
Electric Transmission	9,190	10,584	Increasing reliability compliance
Power Supply Mgmt	4,612	4,833	EP&T revenue enhancements effort
Water & Wastewater O&M	2,228	2,616	Support costs more fully assigned
Fiber Network O&M	3,670	3,784	Consistent with 2014 Budget
Customer Accts & Svc	3,300	4,002	Improve customer interaction/satisfaction
Conservation	1,340	1,565	Recognition of deferred expense
Insurance & FERC Fees	7,248	8,117	Increased insurance premiums
Other Admin & General	26,791	28,037	Deferred maintenance on facilities
11/4/2014 Total	131,414	145,556	www.cholannud.org

Non-Operating Activity

(in 000's)	Adopted Budget 2014	Prelim Budget 2015	Variance
Investment Earnings	3,500	4,578	Improved earnings expectation
Contribution Income	3,821	4,478	Network Transmission increase
Interest Expense	(35,475)	(32,081)	Declining debt balance
Other Inc/(Exp)	(4,855)	(5,967)	Recognition of regulatory asset
Total	(33,009)	(28,992)	



Major Capital Projects



Rock Island B6 Refurbishment ~\$5.6 (Total Project ~\$24.1M*)



Rocky Reach Gantry Crane ~\$3.8M (Total Project ~\$6.3M)



Rock Island PH2 Governor Controls ~\$2.5M (Total Project ~\$10.7M*)



Lincoln Rock Camping Area ~\$2.8M (Total Project ~\$3.4M)

^{* -} Total project cost review still in progress – presentations planned for Nov 17th



Major Capital Projects



BPON to GPON Upgrade ~\$2.0M (Total Project ~\$5.1M)



Rocky Reach Auto Transformer ~\$2.0M (Total Project ~\$5.0M)



Cashmere Substation ~\$2.0M (Total Project ~\$3.1M)



Mid-C Transmission Project ~\$0.7M (Total Project ~\$4.8M*)

^{•-} Total project cost review still in progress - Board presentation planned for future date

Capital Expenditures

(in 000's)	Adopted Budget 2014	Prelim Budget 2015	\$ Change	Major Project Focus
Distribution	9,135	12,362	3,227	Substation-Line Improvements
Transmission	9,012	8,495	(517)	Auto Transformer-Mid-C Trsmn
Hydro Systems	20,245	24,405	4,160	B6 Unit-Gov Ctrls-Crane-Parks
Other Shared Systems	9,585	5,913	(3,672)	Facilities-Vehicles-Security
Integrated Electric	47,977	51,175	3,198	
Fiber & Telecom	3,245	4,497	1,252	GPON, New Connections
Water	452	487	35	Main Replacements
Wastewater	148	377	229	Lagoon Liner-Plant Upgrade
Total Capital	51,822	56,536	4,714	
Less: Contributions	(3,821)	(4,478)	(657)	Capital Paid By Others
Regulatory Assets & Other	4,070	3,850	(220)	Conservation / Lic. Obligations
Net Capital & Reg. Assets	52,071	55,908	3,837	

New Positions



Hydro Asset Management: 8 positions
Add value and revenue by keeping generating units in
service, properly timing maintenance and capital
investments and decreasing risk of catastrophic failure



Customer Satisfaction: 8 positions
Respond to customer's increasing desire for satisfactory interactions when seeking services and providing input to PUD decisions



Reliability Compliance: 5 positions

Respond to increasing federal standards for bulk electric system reliability as well as seeking to influence those standards to reduce the workload



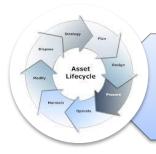


New Positions



Revenue Enhancement: 3 positions

Take advantage of wholesale marketing opportunities in evolving western electricity markets to increase revenues



Distribution Asset Management: 2 positions
Enhance the reliability and efficiency of our electric
distribution system



Operational Excellence: 3 positions

Provide support services necessary to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of the organization



Staffing Levels – Full-Time Equivalents

FTE's (1 FTE = 2080 hours)	Regular Hours	Overtime Hours	Total Hours	Actual Hours
2015 (preliminary budget)	727	23	750	
2014 (adopted budget)	702	21	723	
2013 (adopted budget)	692	22	714	694
2012 (adopted budget)	692	24	716	704
2011 (adopted budget)	698	26	724	707
2010 (adopted budget)	709	30	739	712
2009 (contingency budget)	721	25	746	725
2009 (adopted budget)	743	28	771	

2006-08 budgets and actuals were all at or above the 2009 level



2015 Pay Increase Forecast

- Non-bargaining unit wages remain competitive
- Overall wages were equal to market values shown in our salary surveys after pay increases in 2014.
- Job values and pay increases are forecasted to continue to grow slowly.

2015 Projected Pay Increases

Industry	Min – Max	Average
All Industry	3.0% - 3.3%	3.1%
Utility/Energy	2.9% - 3.3%	3.1%



2015 Pay Increase Budget

- Labor Non-Bargaining Unit
 - 2.60% Merit Budget
 - 0.50% Market Budget
 - 0.25% Promotions
 - 0.25% One-time structural or other misc. adjustments
- Labor Bargaining Unit
 - Contract expires 3/31/15
 - General Wage Increase to be negotiated this winter

Final pay increase decisions will be informed by actual data and the settlement of the Collective Bargaining Agreement



Employer Benefit Costs

	2014	2015		
Costs (in 000's)	Budget	Budget	\$ Change	% Change
Medical Benefits	11,548	12,067	519	4.5%
Retirement				
PERS	5,380	6,294	914	17.0%
401(a)	1,631	1,713	82	5.0%
Total	\$ 18,559	\$ 20,074	\$ 1,515	8.2%



Combined District Expenditures

(in 000's)	Adopted 2014 Budget	Preliminary 2015 Budget	%
Operating Expense	131,414	145,556	10.8%
Tax Expense	7,290	7,423	1.8%
Non-Operating Exp/(Inc)	36,829	33,469	(9.1)%
Net Capital & Reg Assets	50,377	55,908	11.0%
Total Expenditures	225,910	242,356	7.3%
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Net Debt Reduction *	81,673	122,583	50.1%
Total Expenditures & Net Debt Reduction	307,583	364,939	18.6%

• Existing debt activity associates with prior capital expenditure budgets



Strong Financial Policies

Rate of Return Target > 4%

Combined Cover Target > \$175 M

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Combined Financial Policies 2015 Preliminary Budget

	Rate of Return ¹	Debt Ratio ²	Combined Cover	Financial Liquidity
Base Case – expected (50% probability)	9.1%	45.2%	2.63	\$303M
Target	> 4%	< 55%	> 2.0	>\$175M
Base Case – unusual (5% probability)	7.6%	45.7%	2.41	\$289M
Target	> 2%	< 55%	> 1.25	>\$175M



¹ - Associated with an expected bottom line of approximately \$97 million

² - Includes the expected debt reduction of approximately \$123 million

Business Line Financial Policies 2015 Preliminary Budget

	Rate of Return	Debt Ratio	Cover	Liquidity
Integrated Electric Target	10.0% 4.5%	47.9% < 55%	2.62 > 1.97	\$298 M \$171 M
Fiber & Telecom Target	(1.2%) > 0% by 2016	% No Debt	 No Debt	\$4.4 M <i>\$4 M by 2016</i>
Water Target	(0.1%) > 1% by 2016	29.4% < 60% by 2015	1.1 1.25 by 2016	\$0.3 M \$2 M
Wastewater Target	(4.9%) > 0% by 2016	11.2% < 60% by 2015	(0.7) 1.25 by 2016	\$160 K \$250 K

Results are below target – corrective action plans being addressed through strategic planning and interim positive cash balance targets



Conclusion

Fundamental perspective – How can we increase value for our customer-owners?

 Drives long-term planning and 2015 budget Projecting substantial positive net revenue over the next 5 years

- Key measure of financial health
- Within 1% of last year's forecast for 2014-2018

Decreasing risk of asset or compliance failure through planned investments

Accomplishing all of above while decreasing debt outstanding by approximately \$352 million by 2019

Budget Next Steps

Review

Continued review and adjustments in November

Discuss

• 2nd Budget Hearing November 17

Approve

Requesting Board Approval on December 1st



Questions?

Customer-owners are encouraged to join the discussion ... by sending comments to

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Appendix

Additional information from prior presentation



Budget Guidelines

Budget dollars and FTE's are driven by creating long-term value for District ratepayers

Operating and Capital expenditures will be in alignment with the District's 5 year Business Plans

Staffing additions and replacements will need to follow the position justification process and will be identified in the District's 5 year Business Plans

Meet compliance, regulatory and safety requirements at or above required levels

Review project scope alternatives to determine the best value for the District and its customers



Early External Indicators

Electricity Interest Rates Wanapum Regulatory **Prices** on drawdown Requirements showing investments impacts to be continue to some remain low limited increase improvement



Key Budget Assumptions

Wholesale Revenue @ 50% Probability Level

- Average flows and current market price
- Hedge program fully implemented
- Wanapum impacts limited
- Hydro fish spill consistent

System Load Growth

- 1% Electric
- 2% Water
- 1.5% Wastewater
- 700 new connections-Networks

Business Line Service Revenues

- No change in Retail Electric rates
- No change in Water rates
- No change in Fiber rates
- No change in Wastewater rates



Key Budget Assumptions

Labor Bargaining Unit

- Collective Bargaining Agreement expires Mar 31 (negotiations begin 11/1)
- Wages and benefits are to be determined
- Budget includes estimated forecasts

Labor Non-Bargaining Unit

- Budget includes assumptions for merit increases, market adjustments and promotions
- Final decisions will be informed by actual data and the settlement of the Collective Bargaining Agreement

Long-term power contract terms & conditions

- Debt Reduction Charge (DRC) 3.0%
- Capital Recovery Charge (CRC) 50%
- Credit Premium Charge (Alcoa) 1.0%
- Debt Admin Charge (Puget) 1.0%



Key Budget Assumptions

Operating Expenses

- To be driven by 2015-19 business plans
- Expenditures are expected to increase as we catch up on deferred maintenance

Capital Expenses

- To be driven by 2015-19 business plans
- Expenditures are expected to increase as we catch up on deferred projects & implement turbine/generator repairs/refurbishments

Debt and Interest Income

- Net debt reduction of \$122.6 million included
- Interest earnings estimated just over 1%

District Strategic Planning Efforts

- Potential financial impacts not included
- Budget adjustments may be required

