#### Electric Load Growth & Agency Planning Update



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## Today's Agenda

- Update on large customer project
- Report on June 20<sup>th</sup>. Agency Planning meeting-(Cryptocurrency Zoning)
- No action requested



#### Coordination with Planning Entities From May 14, 2018

- Continued County and municipal engagement efforts will focus on coordination of planning & zoning expectations
- Communicate available capacity areas to planning entities
- Early indications:
  - Cryptocurrency in residential area is unsafe and not desired
  - Using growth capacity for cryptocurrency mining limits local organic growth flexibility
  - Consider options for creating cryptocurrency zones



## **Desired Outcomes:**

1) Align on common direction for zoning, planning and permitting for cryptocurrency within the County and incorporated areas of Chelan County

2) Align on planning processes specifically with the serving utility

3) Share concepts and ideas for developing ordinances, codes, policies and safety standards to properly site cryptocurrency loads

# **Meeting discussion**

a) Presentation on growth projections with cryptocurrency and impacts to electrical grid: Chelan PUD

b) Mixed use (mining in the home) challenges and safety concerns: Chelan PUD

c) Discussion on Cryptocurrency zoning preference

d) Concepts to memorialize planning and zoning for cryptocurrency: 1) Where, 2) How much, 3) When

# **Meeting Highlights:**

- Agency planners have a deeper understanding of the electrical supply limitations of widely distributed cryptocurrency mining operations in Chelan County.
- Agency planners recognize the need to update zoning and incorporate electrical planning requirements into growth plans.
- Agency planners requesting more time with the District to reestablish zoning and associated processes around growth planning and permitting.

## **Action Items:**

- Chelan PUD to perform engineering study on impact of cryptocurrency operations in residential space.
- Agency planners work toward updating Comprehensive Plans to reflect zoning for cryptocurrency operations (where, when, & how much)
- Planners believe their agency needs a deeper understanding of the economic value to the communities from resourcing cryptocurrency mining
- Agency planners requesting PUD staff provide background information on challenges to City Councils and County Commissioners.

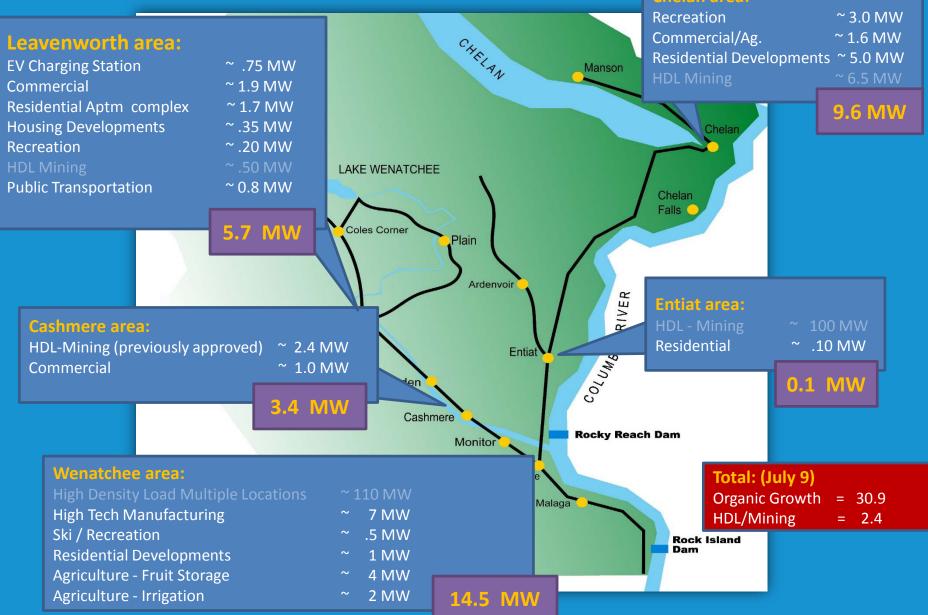


### **Customer Growth Projects Update**

#### Power requests by area

(~3 year look-ahead & HDL moratorium included)

#### Chelan area:



#### **Active Non-Crypto Customer Projects**





# Looking forward:

- Continue work with agencies on zoning and large utility infrastructure siting
- Organize a Multi-Council/Commission study session (PUD, County, Municipalities leaderships)
- Focus on identifying agency preference on cryptocurrency planning and zoning
- Be responsive to new customer growth



#### Questions