

Sustainability

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- Search for a common definition

Sustainability

- Not as easy as you would think.

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- Sustainability is using, developing and protecting social and natural resources in a manner that allows people to meet their current needs without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their needs.

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- Who is talking about sustainability?

Why is this important?

- The right thing to do.
- Assure stakeholders that we take environmental and social matters seriously.
- Expectations are increasing.

Sustainability principles

- Overall Policy: Build upon our foundation of clean, renewable hydropower by implementing practices that promote sustainability, including measures to increase efficiency, use renewable resources and decrease waste.

Categories

- Vehicles and fuels
- Material use and disposal
- Energy efficiency
- Renewable energy
- Environmental stewardship
- Land and water conservation
- Climate change
- Two-way communication

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- Initial Task – Identify our starting point.
- What have we done?
- What are we doing?
- What do we need to do?

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Wayne Wright, proud PUD employee

- But.....

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- Look in the mirror
- Acknowledge and address gaps
 - Behavior
 - Programs
 - Costs/Benefits

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- Initial Focus

- Headquarter's complex efficiency
- Recycling program

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- Communicate, Communicate, Communicate

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- Questions?