

Tri-Commission Update

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CHELAN COUNTY

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Chelan PUD Updates

- Public Power Benefit Program
- Low Income Housing Infrastructure Support
- Substation Update
 - Supply Chain Challenges



Public Power Benefit

- The PPB Program was a defining feature of the 2015–2019 Strategic Plan
- Initiative brings the public power legacy of service into the 21st century by investing in projects that enhance quality of life in Chelan County and are within the statutory authority of Chelan PUD
- 2020-2024 Strategic Plan: *“The PPB program will be retained and offered as long as Chelan PUD has the financial resources to support the program”*
- The PPB program invests in our community during periods of healthy financial performance and program funding is reviewed annually by the Board

Completed/In-Process PPB Efforts

(as of August 2021)

Project	Year Funded	Allocated	Spent	Remaining
Fiber Expansion	2015-2021	\$20.1M	\$8.6M	\$11.5M
Horan Area Rehab	2015-2016	\$100k	\$28k	\$72k
Jobs & Work Readiness	2015-2016	\$172k	\$125k	\$47k
RR Discovery Center Combo *	2017-2021	\$2.525M	\$2.073M	\$450k
Loop Trail Extension	2019	\$1.2M	\$0	\$1.2M
Day Use Parks Pass	2015-2022	\$431k	\$397k	\$34k
Dryden Treatment Plant	2020	\$1.5M	\$0	\$1.5M
COVID-19 Community Support	2020-2021	\$275k	\$205k	\$70k
Riverfront Park	2021	\$200k	<i>Pending</i>	<i>Pending</i>
Large Load: Malaga Sub **	2021	\$75k	\$58k	\$17k
Substation Aesthetics	2021	\$50k	\$0	\$50k

* Turnover / Closeout ** Complete

PPB Project Review Criteria

- Projects must fall within the District's statutory authority as a public utility (Title 54 RCW), not be deemed a gift of public funds (prohibited by the Washington State Constitution) and have a close connection to the services and facilities we provide
- Project will likely fall within one or more of these categories:
 - Enhancements to existing PUD parks, recreational sites, properties, or facilities
 - Fiber and telecom services (please note that fiber expansion is fully funded)
 - Stewardship of environmental and cultural resources entrusted to us
 - Promotion of electrification
 - Utility infrastructure investments that support economic development
 - Education and job readiness specific to utility services
- Encourage proponents to specify potential partnership opportunities in addition to how the proposal supports or complements existing community plans and efforts
- **Available Estimated Funding 2022 – 2024: >\$9M**



Information / Form on Website

The screenshot shows the Chelan County P.U.D. website. At the top right, there are links for Newsroom, Español, Contact, and a phone number (509) 663-8121, along with social media icons for Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube. A search bar is also present. Below this is a navigation bar with buttons for OUTAGES and PAY MY BILL. A secondary navigation bar contains links for MY PUD SERVICES, HYDROPOWER, PARKS AND RECREATION, ENVIRONMENT, REBATES, LEARNING CENTER, and ABOUT US. The main content area features a left sidebar with a list of services, including Rates Planning, Service Center, Fifth Street Redevelopment, Scam Calls, Advanced Meters, In Your Neighborhood, Funding Growth, Rocky Reach Discovery Center, Public Power Benefit Program, Blog, Building a Brighter Future, and Lights On. Below this sidebar is a 'Related Pages' section with links to 'Our Mission, Vision and Values' and 'Our Strategic Plan'. A prominent blue button labeled 'Application Form' is visible, along with a link for 'Español'. The main content area has a breadcrumb trail: Home / Learning Center / Public Power Benefit Program. The title 'Public Power Benefit Program' is displayed in a large font. Below the title, there is a call to action: 'Help Chelan PUD enhance the quality of life for customer-owners. Share your ideas!'. A paragraph explains that the program allocates funds in community-minded projects. A bulleted list provides examples: expanding fiber internet, a day use parking pass program, electric vehicle charging stations, bronze sculptures at Riverfront Park, modernizing Discovery Center exhibits, and internships for persons with cognitive disabilities. A final paragraph discusses the funding source: surplus power sold on the wholesale market. At the bottom of the page, a large dark banner with yellow text reads 'PUBLIC POWER BENEFIT PROGRAM'. The Chelan County P.U.D. logo is in the bottom right corner.

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Public Power Benefit Program

Help Chelan PUD enhance the quality of life for customer-owners. Share your ideas!

The Public Power Benefit program allocates funds in community-minded projects -- the best value for the most people for the longest time. Here are some examples:

- Expanding access to fiber internet
- Day use parking pass program to Daroga, Lincoln Rock and Wenatchee Confluence
- Installation of five electric vehicle charging stations
- Purchasing of seven bronze sculptures for permanent residence at Riverfront Park
- Modernizing Discovery Center exhibits
- Internships for persons with cognitive disabilities

Where does funding for the program come from? Surplus power is sold on the wholesale power market, allowing us to pay down debt and reinvest back into our community. Here's how it works:

PUBLIC POWER BENEFIT PROGRAM

[Application Form](#)

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Low-Income Housing Program Service Connection Fee Waiver



COLUMBIA VALLEY
AFFORDABLE HOMEOWNERSHIP



CHELAN VALLEY
HOUSING TRUST

Background and Summary of Policy

- Policy allowing waiver of service connection fees for homes purchased by low-income homebuyers from 501(c)(3) organizations
 - Originally established in 1995 pursuant to RCW 54.24.080
- Commission requested program review in early-2021 and approved revisions in May 2021
- What does “housing program income limit” mean?
 - Connection fees are assessed during the building process, before the homeowner is identified, therefore the PUD reviews the *housing program income limits* to determine eligibility
 - Highlights: income limit set at 80% of area median income, savings of ~\$1,900 on average per unit



Other Programs, Services and Discounts

- **Senior citizen discount**

Seniors age 62 and over with a combined income of \$36,882 or less may be eligible for a discount on their electric bills of up to \$9.55 per month. The discount for seniors who are water customers is \$9.90 per month; for sewer customers it's \$10.50 per month. [Apply for a Senior Discount.](#)

- **Disabled customer discount**

Disabled customers may be eligible for a discount on their electric bills of up to \$9.55 per month. The discount for disabled customers for water is \$9.90 per month; for sewer customers it's \$10.50. [Apply for a Disabled Discount.](#)

- **Helping Hand**

Helping Hand helps low-income families pay their electric bills. Customers can make a Helping Hand donation every time they pay their bill. Helping Hand funds are managed by the Chelan-Douglas Community Action Council. [Enroll now](#) to make a monthly contribution to Helping Hand.

- **Low-Income Energy Efficiency Program (pending)**

- **Community Action Council Partnership (weatherization, home energy assistance, etc.)**



Substation Update

North Shore Sub (Chelan)	Final design / preparing bid specs	Target need 2022	
Bavarian Sub (Leavenworth)	Final design / Community engagement	Target need 2023	Requires New Transmission
Ohme Sub (Olds Station)	Preparing to energize Dec 2021	In service Q1 2022	
Hawley St Sub (Diamond F.)	Energized and in-service	In service now	
North Entiat Sub (Entiat)	Property acquired / 30% design	Target need 2026	
Wenatchee Sub Rebuild (Wen)	Active engineering and design	Target need 2023	
Gorge Sub (South Chelan)	Property acquired	Target need 2024	Requires New Transmission
Western Wenatchee Sub	Evaluating alternatives & properties	Target need 2024	Requires New Transmission
Future Malaga Sub (Malaga)	Performing property feasibility	Target need 2025	
Future Monitor/Cashmere Sub	Seeking property	Target need 2028	
Future Mission Ridge Sub	Waiting development application	Growth dependent	Requires New Transmission
Future Dry Lake Sub (Manson)	Seeking property	Target need 2026	
Future Howard Flats (Chelan)	Seeking property	Target need 2027	Requires New Transmission
Castle Rock Sub (Wenatchee)	Property acquired, evaluating options	Target need 2023	
Future Rock Island (S. Malaga)	Seeking property	Target need 2029	

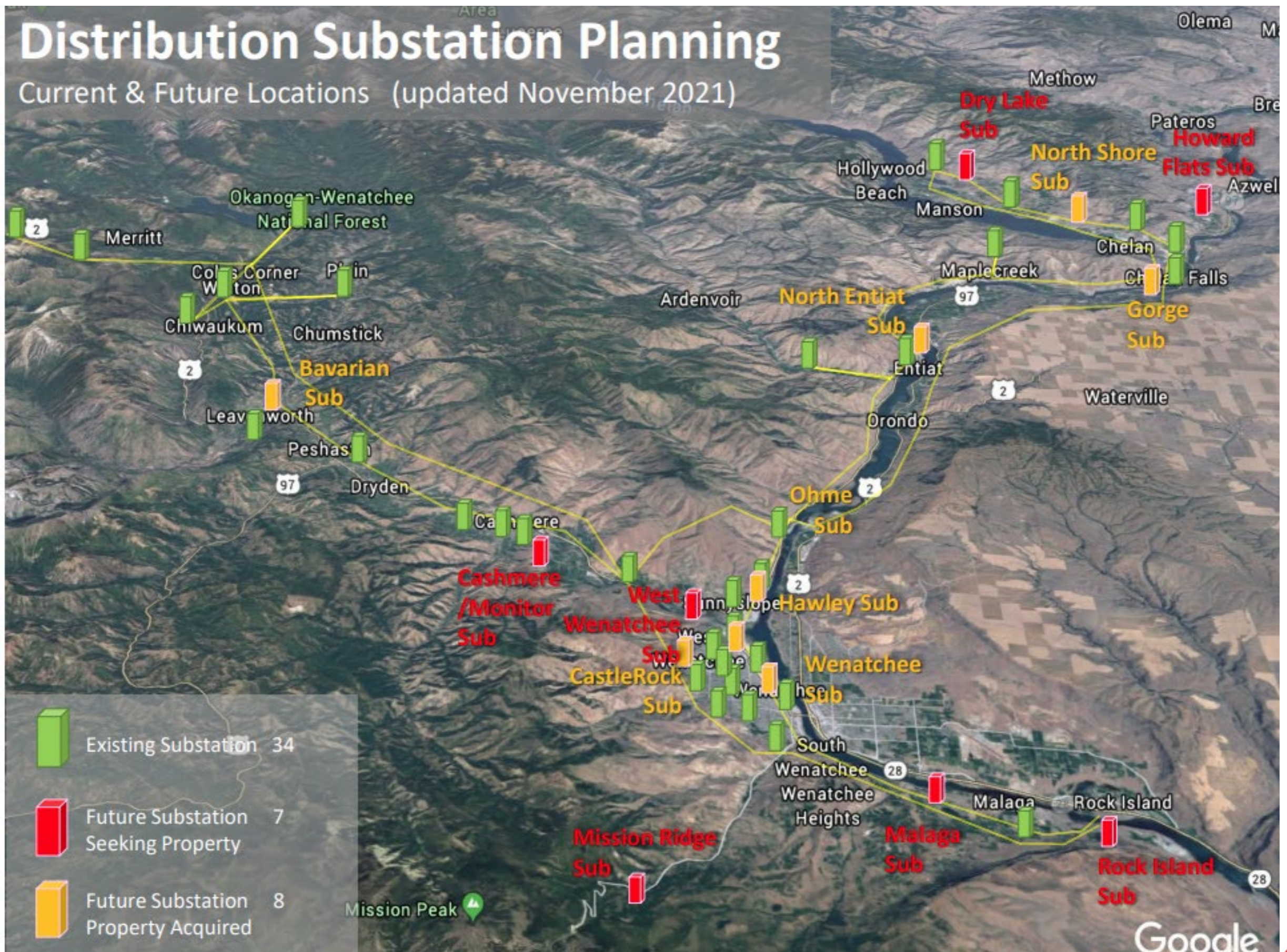
Substation build activity

Station	Next Build Phase	Expected Complete
Hawley	Energize & in-service	Completed July 8, 2021
Ohme	Energize planned	Q1 - 2022
North Shore	Outreach and design	Q2 - 2022
Leavenworth (Bavarian)	Outreach and civil design	Q2 - 2022
Wenatchee (upsized)	Finalize project plan	Q3 - 2022
Wenatchee Foothills	Siting and utility plans	Q4 - 2022
Malaga/Stemilt	Site property evaluations	ongoing



Distribution Substation Planning

Current & Future Locations (updated November 2021)



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Supply Chain Discussion

- District is taking multiple actions to address supply-chain disruptions:
 - Identify long-lead items
 - Buffering in additional time for range of items
 - Evaluate multiple suppliers and bid awards
 - Keeping additional stock on hand
- Recent example regarding **distribution transformers**
 - Board of Commissioners approved a resolution declaring an emergency and waiving competitive bidding requirements (Nov. 1, 2021)
 - Orders that were previously delivered in 12 weeks now up to 50 weeks, but limitation on orders/quantities



Thank You!

