



**Mason County PUD No. 1
Public Hearing & Regular Board Meeting
August 25, 2026
1:00 p.m.**

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85869053743>

Meeting ID: 858 6905 3743
1 (253) 215-8782

1) Public Hearing for Harstene Retreat Water System Plan

2) Call the Regular Meeting to Order

3) Public Comment- *Members of the public wishing to comment may request permission to do so during the Public Comment portion of the agenda. Comments shall be limited to no more than 5 minutes per speaker. There will be no action or discussion of public comment items, although the board may defer to PUD management for any necessary response.*

4) Consent Agenda

Minutes: August 11, 2026, Regular Meeting

Disbursements:	Accounts Payable Wire	\$ 73,200.57
	Check Nos. 128654 – 128718	\$ 269,015.96
	Check Nos. 128720 – 128733	\$ 59,044.97
	Payroll Wire	\$ 94,902.23
	Payroll Check 128719	2,143.46
	Grand Total	\$ 498,307.19

5) Business Agenda

- a. Approve the Harstene Retreat Water System Plan
- b. Authorize the GM to sign the DOH Grant Agreement for Bay East
- c. Authorize the GM to sign the DOH Grant Agreement for Bellwood/Cedar Meadows
- d. Finance Policy No. 2010- Canal Comfort Fund
- e. Change Order No. 1- 2026 Generators Project
- f. July 2026 Financials

6) Staff Reports

- a. General Manager
- b. District Treasurer
- c. Water Resource Manager
- d. Legal Counsel

7) Correspondence

8) Board Comments

9) Other Business/Public Comment

10) Executive Session may be held as authorized by the Open Public Meetings Act (RCW 42.30.110).

11) Adjourn

2026 Calendar

September 2-3	Public Power Council	Portland
Sep 16-18	WPUDA Association Meetings	Jefferson
September 25	Customer Appreciation	PUD 1, WA
Sep 30-Oct 2	WPUDA Water Workshop	Wenatchee
October 7-8	Public Power Council	Portland
Oct 15	WPUDA Budget Committee	Olympia
November 4	Public Power Council Town Hall	Portland
November 5	Public Power Council Annual Meeting	Portland
Nov 18-20	WPUDA Association Meetings	Olympia



**Executive Summary – August 2026
Harstene Retreat Water System Plan
Water System ID# 31572M**

The Harstene Retreat Water System was originally constructed in 1973 to serve the Harstene Retreat subdivision on Harstene Island in Mason County. The system currently provides potable water service to 35 single-family residential connections located along Fox Lane, Coyote Lane, and portions of Cougar Lane North. Figure ES-1 shows the location of the water system service area within Mason County.

The 2026 Water System Plan (WSP) evaluates the condition and capacity of the existing water system and identifies improvements needed to provide reliable service over the next ten years. The plan confirms that the system is currently capable of serving its existing 35 connections. However, based on updated water storage requirements and current planning criteria, the system's approved service capacity has decreased from the previously approved 47 connections to 35 connections.

To address this reduction in capacity and improve overall system performance, the WSP identifies several capital improvements, including:

- Continued pursuit of an existing additional water right application.
- Installation of iron and manganese treatment facilities.
- Construction of additional water storage.
- Replacement of the existing booster pump system.
- Replacement of aging Class 125 distribution piping with more durable materials.
- Installation of auxiliary power at the well house.

These improvements are intended to improve system reliability, enhance water quality, increase emergency preparedness, and restore the infrastructure capacity needed to support future connections. Collectively, the projects provide a long-term strategy for maintaining safe and reliable drinking water service for existing customers while positioning the system for future growth.

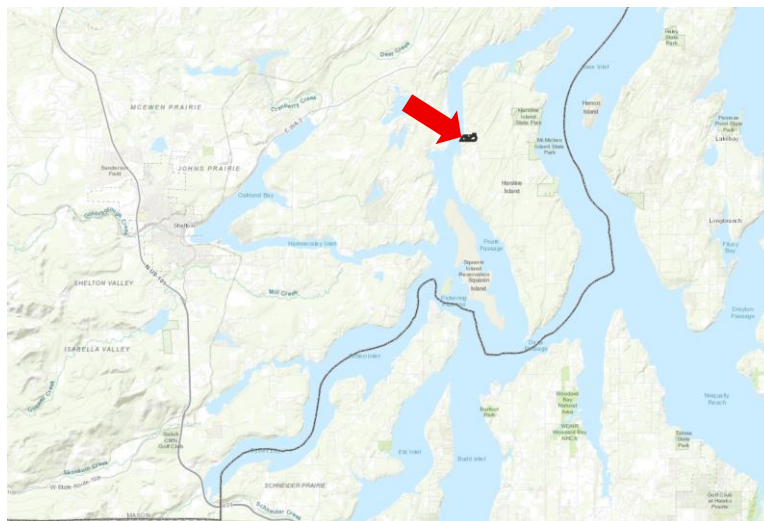


Figure ES-1



Mason County Public Utility District No. 1
Board of Commissioners Regular Board Meeting
August 11, 2026, Potlatch, Washington

Present:

Ron Gold, President
Mike Sheetz, Vice President
Jack Janda, Board Secretary
Kristin Masteller, General Manager
Katie Arnold, District Treasurer
Rob Johnson, Legal Counsel
Hayden Hughes, Administrative Assistant

Visitors:

Marcus Perry, BPA Account Representative
Kate Patton, BPA Account Representative

Excused:

Brandy Milroy, Water Resource Manager

CALL TO ORDER:

At 1:00 p.m. Ron called the regular business meeting to order.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

Minutes: July 28, 2026, Special Meeting

Disbursements:	Accounts Payable Wire	\$ 352,419.09
	Check Nos. 128626 – 128653	\$ 128,328.53
	Payroll Wire	\$ 111,050.14
	Grand Total	\$ 591,797.76

Jack made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented; Mike seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

Business Agenda:

BPA Account Executives- Marcus Perry is handing off his Washington accounts to Kate Patton out of Seattle. Kate will be Mason PUD 1's new BPA account executive. The commission and staff thanked Marcus for his 13 years of service to the PUD and its customers and for all his guidance and support over the years. They then welcomed Kate.

Approve Jorstad Feeders Change Order No. 1- Jack made a motion to approve the Jorstad Feeders Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$33,750.00. Mike seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

Approve Jorstad Feeders Change Order No. 2- Jack made a motion to approve the Jorstad Feeders Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$85,538.00. Mike seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

Approve Shadowood Change Order No. 5- Jack made a motion to approve the Shadowood Change Order No. 5 in the amount of (\$68,370.80). Mike seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.



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Staff Reports –

General Manager – Kristin shared staff’s recommendation on the consignment of the 2026 Climate Commitment Act allowances. Staff recommends consigning the allowances to auction before the end of the year due to strong demand and also projected reductions in value once Washington State links their market with Quebec. Staff estimates between \$200,000 and \$250,000 in proceeds should the market remain strong, and they recommend allocating \$25,000 of the proceeds to the CETA compliance account, a portion of the proceeds to make up any budget shortfalls for BPA spill surcharges and reserves surcharges that were unbudgeted in 2026, and any remaining funds would pay down the PUD’s Line of Credit that is used for substation work. The commission all agreed that this was a prudent strategy and instructed the General Manager to proceed.

Kristin reported that she will speak at the Infrastructure PNW conference next week as a small utility infrastructure speaker. She also gave an update on mechanic staffing ideas and possible opportunities to interlocal with local fire departments for services. She also reported that the PUD purchased just over \$5,000 in surplus meters from Kittitas PUD and that she invited the City of McCleary to participate in the procurement. The City of McCleary will be invoiced for the meters that they ordered and reimburse Mason PUD 1.

District Treasurer – Katie reported that she is working through the Rebate program and the state audit.

Water Resource Manager – Kristin and TJ hosted the pre-bid walkthrough for Canal View today. Several contractors were in attendance.

Legal Counsel – No report.

Correspondence – Correspondence was shared with the board.

Board Reports –

Mike – No report.

Jack – No report.

Ron – No report.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – None.

Meeting Adjourned: 2:12 p.m.

Ron Gold, President

Mike Sheetz, Vice President

Jack Janda, Secretary

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Bank Account: 4 - COLUMBIA BANK - DISTRICT

Check / Tran Date	Pmt Type	Vendor	Vendor Name	Reference	Amount
1533 08/17/2026	WIRE	IRS	WEST COAST BANK	FEDERAL TAX LIABILITY	37,722.15
1534 08/17/2026	WIRE	WASH 1	WA DEPT OF RETIREMENT SYS	STATE RETIREMENT - PLAN 2	15,840.21
1535 08/17/2026	WIRE	WASH 7	WA STATE TREAS-MS: PO-11	DEFERRED COMPENSATION	13,111.01
1536 08/17/2026	WIRE	HRA	HRA VEBA TRUST CONTRIBUTI	VEBA MEDICAL SAVINGS	4,295.40
1537 08/17/2026	WIRE	DSHS	DSHS	DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL HEALTH SERVICES	162.41
1538 08/17/2026	WIRE	LILLIWAUP FAL	LILLIWAUP FALLS GENERATING COMP	POWER USAGE	2,069.39
128654 08/10/2026	CHK	PUD#1 KITTITAS	PUD#1 OF KITTITAS COUNTY	SALE OF 1,112 METERS	5,660.00
128655 08/10/2026	CHK	ANIXTER	ANIXTER INC	ELECTRIC NON INVENTORY-LIGHTING ARRESTOR	4,974.69
128656 08/10/2026	CHK	ASPECT CONSU	ASPECT CONSULTING LLC	POLE YARD	976.25
128657 08/10/2026	CHK	BUILDERS	BUILDERS FIRSTSOURCE, INC	SHADOWOOD WATER SUPPLIES	642.93
128658 08/10/2026	CHK	CAPIT2	CAPITAL INDUSTRIAL, INC.	SHOP SUPPLIES	122.03
128659 08/10/2026	CHK	CASCA1	CASCADE COLUMBIA DIST.CO.	WATER NON INVENTORY-SODIUM HYPOCHLORITE	1,293.66
128660 08/10/2026	CHK	COLUMBIA PRE	COLUMBIA PRECAST PRODUCTS	ELECTRIC NON INVENTORY-BEST SEALANT	35,604.51
128661 08/10/2026	CHK	CRC	COOPERATIVE RESPONSE CENTER, INC	AFTER HOURS ANSWERING SERVICE	2,505.91
128662 08/10/2026	CHK	DOH	DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	MADRONA BEACH WATER-SANITARY SURVEY INSP	750.00
128663 08/10/2026	CHK	DEPT 3	DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION	CANAL VIEW IMPROVEMENT-UTILITY PERMIT	150.00
128664 08/10/2026	CHK	DON SMALL & S	DON SMALL & SONS OIL DIST	UNLEADED & DIESEL	3,275.70
128665 08/10/2026	CHK	EXCELSIOR CLE	EXCELSIOR CLEANING	MONTHLY JANITORIAL SERVICES	1,282.50
128666 08/10/2026	CHK	FREIGHTLINER	FREIGHTLINER NORTHWEST OLYMPIA	VEHICLE #81-KIT	608.04
128667 08/10/2026	CHK	GENPAC	GENERAL PACIFIC INC	ELECTRIC INVENTORY-#2TRIPLEX SECONDARY	40,698.44
128668 08/10/2026	CHK	GOLDSTREET	GOLDSTREET DESIGN AGENCY, INC.	WEBSITE HOSTING	60.00
128669 08/10/2026	CHK	GRAIN	GRAINGER	ELECTRIC NON INVENTORY-THERMAL LABELS	913.54
128670 08/10/2026	CHK	HDFOWL	HD FOWLER COMPANY	ELECTRIC NON INVENTORY PARTS	1,039.91
128671 08/10/2026	CHK	HOODCA	HOOD CANAL COMMUNICATIONS	INTERNET, IT, ALARM DIALER, & TELEPHONE	678.11
128672 08/10/2026	CHK	HOODSPORT AC	HOODSPORT ACE & LUMBER	AGATE BEACH WATER SUPPLIES	528.77
128673 08/10/2026	CHK	JANDAJ	JANDA, JACK	MONTHLY TRAVEL EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT	592.65

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128674 08/10/2026	CHK	L.G.	L. G. ISAACSON CO. INC.	SHOP SUPPLIES	200.79
128675 08/10/2026	CHK	MARSH	MARSH MUNDORF PRATT & SUL	MONTHLY WPAG SERVICES	186.62
128676 08/10/2026	CHK	MASON CO GAR	MASON COUNTY GARBAGE	MONTHLY GARBAGE CHARGES	876.41
128677 08/10/2026	CHK	MASTELLER	KRISTIN MASTELLER	TRAVEL EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT	717.99
128678 08/10/2026	CHK	MTN2COAST	MTN2COAST, LLC	LILLIWAUP BAY BORING PROJECT	6,356.00
128679 08/10/2026	CHK	NISC	NISC	JULY 2026 MISC-DELL PWEREDGE R660XS 36TB	29,322.53
128680 08/10/2026	CHK	ONLINE	ONLINE INFORMATION SERVIC	MONTHLY UTILITY EXCHANGE REPORT	100.37
128681 08/10/2026	CHK	PLATT ELECTRI	PLATT	ELECTRIC NON INVENTORY PARTS	462.02
128682 08/10/2026	CHK	POMP'S	POMP'S TIRE SERVICE INC	(1) FORKLIFT TIRE	142.21
128683 08/10/2026	CHK	RICOH USA, INC	RICOH USA, INC	RENT ON TWO MACHINES	514.77
128684 08/10/2026	CHK	STUART C IRBY	STUART C IRBY CO	ELECTRIC NON INVENTORY PARTS	2,596.63
128685 08/10/2026	CHK	UTILII	UTILITIES UNDERGROUND LOCATION	MONTHLY ELECTRIC LOCATES	166.98
128686 08/10/2026	CHK	WPUDA	WASHINGTON PUD ASSOC.	MONTHLY DUES	2,137.00
128687 08/10/2026	CHK	WATER	WATER MGMT LABS	TOTAL COLIORM & NITRATE WATER TESTING	2,930.00
128688 08/10/2026	CHK	WEST	WEST COAST MOBILE EQUIPMENT REP	SHOP SUPPLIES-GLOVE	77.09
128689 08/10/2026	CHK	NAPA AUTO PA	WESTBAY NAPA AUTO PARTS	SEE INVOICE#186014, #185794, & #185912	25.55
128690 08/10/2026	CHK	2	DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURC	JORSTAD CREEK SUBSTATION & UTILITIES EAS	743.60
128691 08/10/2026	CHK	2	LUND CUSTOM MACHINING, INC	VEHICLE #72-CYLINDER	97.74
128692 08/12/2026	CHK	BUILDERS	BUILDERS FIRSTSOURCE, INC	STORAGE BUILDING SUPPLIES	152.45
128693 08/12/2026	CHK	CENTUR	CENTURYLINK	TELEPHONE CHARGES ACCT#333887863	1,336.23
128694 08/12/2026	CHK	DAMON CONSU	DAMON CONSULTING SERVICE	HOODSPORT WATER RESERVOIR-SITE VISIT 7/3	741.50
128695 08/12/2026	CHK	DOH	DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	TEN FOUR WATER-SANITARY SURVEY	1,250.00
128696 08/12/2026	CHK	DON SMALL & S	DON SMALL & SONS OIL DIST	SHORT PAID ON CHECK#128640	21.24
128697 08/12/2026	CHK	FERREL	FERRELLGAS - 0806	UNION WATER SYSTEM-WELL 2 & BOOSTER STAT	184.67
128698 08/12/2026	CHK	GENPAC	GENERAL PACIFIC INC	ELECTRIC NON INVENTORY PARTS	5,207.07
128699 08/12/2026	CHK	HOODSPORT AC	HOODSPORT ACE & LUMBER	LAKE ARROWHEAD WATER-WELLHOUSE SUPPLIES	164.66

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128700 08/12/2026	CHK	POMP'S	POMP'S TIRE SERVICE INC	VEHICLE #70-(4)NEW TIRES	1,146.20
128701 08/12/2026	CHK	PUD#1 KITTITAS	PUD#1 OF KITTITAS COUNTY	BALANCE ON INVOICE-SALES TAX	486.76
128702 08/12/2026	CHK	STATE	STATE AUDITOR'S OFFICE	ACCOUBTABILITY AUDIT & ENERGY COMPLIANCE	12,386.50
128703 08/12/2026	CHK	TERRAPHASE E	TERRAPHASE ENGINEERING INC	JORSTAD SUBSTATION-GEOTECHNICAL REPORT	4,000.00
128704 08/12/2026	CHK	DOE	WA STATE DEPT OF ECOLOGY	POLE YARD	173.56
128705 08/12/2026	CHK	WPUDA	WASHINGTON PUD ASSOC.	2026 SPECIAL BUILDING REPAIRS ASSESSMENT	11,690.00
128706 08/12/2026	CHK	NAPA AUTO PA	WESTBAY NAPA AUTO PARTS	VEHICLE #82-AIR BRAKE CHAMBERS	3,692.57
128707 08/13/2026	CHK	CENTURYLINK	CENTURYLINK	LONG DISTANCE & OUTBOUND CHARGES	82.19
128708 08/13/2026	CHK	COLUMBIA PRE	COLUMBIA PRECAST PRODUCTS	ELECTRIC INVENTORY-CONCRETE VAULTS	12,869.10
128709 08/13/2026	CHK	G&W	G&W ELECTRIC COMPANY	ELECTRIC INVENTORY-RECLOSER	28,519.45
128710 08/13/2026	CHK	HDFOWL	HD FOWLER COMPANY	ELECTRIC NON INVENTORY JORSTAD FEEDER PR	17,318.44
128711 08/13/2026	CHK	HOODSPORT AC	HOODSPORT ACE & LUMBER	WATER STORAGE BLDG SUPPLIES	71.63
128712 08/13/2026	CHK	SHEL 2	MASON COUNTY JOURNAL	DISPLAY AD & CHILDREN'S SUMMER	629.50
128713 08/13/2026	CHK	28	PETRO CARD	BULK OIL	949.40
128714 08/13/2026	CHK	PUD#3	PUD #3 OF MASON COUNTY	ELECTRIC INVENTORY (3)50KVA OH TRANSFOR	9,071.12
128715 08/13/2026	CHK	JOHN 3	ROBERT W. JOHNSON	MONTHLY RETAINER FEES	4,731.62
128716 08/13/2026	CHK	SCOTT MCLEND	SCOTT MCLENDON'S HARDWARE #2	VEHICLE #71-GLOVE	32.57
128717 08/13/2026	CHK	WPUDA	WASHINGTON PUD ASSOC.	2026 WATER WORKSHOP CONF-MIKE	1,807.40
128718 08/13/2026	CHK	NAPA AUTO PA	WESTBAY NAPA AUTO PARTS	VEHICLE #84, #87, & SHOP SUPPLIES	288.19
128720 08/17/2026	CHK	IBEW	IBEW LOCAL UNION #77	UNION DUES	1,394.21
128721 08/17/2026	CHK	PUDEMP	PUD #1 EMPLOYEE FUND	EMPLOYEE FUND	250.00
128722 08/18/2026	CHK	MTBAKE	BAKER SILO, LLC	PIRTAES COVE-RESERVOIR MAINTENANCE	2,606.40
128723 08/18/2026	CHK	CITI CARDS	CITI CARDS	MONTHLY CREDIT CARD ACCT# ENDING IN#4326	31,854.89
128724 08/18/2026	CHK	DON SMALL & S	DON SMALL & SONS OIL DIST	DIESEL	4,353.04
128725 08/18/2026	CHK	EUROFINS DRIN	EUROFINS DRINKING WATER & WASTEHOOD CANAL WATER SAMPLE		1,170.00
128726 08/18/2026	CHK	HOODSPORT AC	HOODSPORT ACE & LUMBER	VEHICLE #68-BATTERY & CORE CHARGE	529.02

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128727 08/18/2026	CHK	SHEL 2	MASON COUNTY JOURNAL	CANAL VI3W WATER CALL FOR BIDS	704.00
128728 08/18/2026	CHK	MATHEWS ELEC	MATHEWS ELECTRIC CORP	HOLIDAY BEACH & ISLAND HIDE-A-WAY	9,643.68
128729 08/18/2026	CHK	MOTOR CONT	MOTORS AND CONTROLS	HOODSPORT WATER REPLACEMENT BREAKER	755.86
128730 08/18/2026	CHK	MT VIEW LOCA	MT. VIEW LOCATING SERVICES, LLC	MONTHLY UNDERGROUND LOCATES	3,825.00
128731 08/18/2026	CHK	POMP'S	POMP'S TIRE SERVICE INC	VEHICLE #77-(4)NEW TIRES	1,286.22
128732 08/18/2026	CHK	PURCH	PURCHASE POWER	REFILL POSTAGE & POSTAGE OVERAGE FEE	544.24
128733 08/18/2026	CHK	NAPA AUTO PA	WESTBAY NAPA AUTO PARTS	VEHICLE #68, #71, #80, & #83-OIL FILTERS	128.41
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Total Voids for Bank Account - 4 :					(0) 0.00
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Grand Total for Voids :					(0) 0.00
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PARAMETERS ENTERED:**Check Date:** 08/06/2026 To 08/20/2026**Bank:** All**Vendor:** All**Check:****Journal:** All**Format:** Summary**Extended Reference:** No**Sort By:** Check/Transaction**Voids:** Current**Payment Type:** All**Group By Payment Type:** No**Minimum Amount:** 0.00**Authorization Listing:** No**Credit Card Charges:** No

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GENERAL LEDGER
TRANSACTION DETAIL

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AUG 2026 To AUG 2026

Date	Journal Description	Actv BU Project	Mod	Jrnl Reference	
			Code		
Account: 0 131.2 CASH-GENERAL FUND (DISTRICT)			Department: 0		
08/17/26	99481 Check Print	0	PL	2 PAYROLL	94,902.23

PARAMETERS ENTERED:

Division: All
Accounts: 0 131.2
Department: All
Activity: All
Sort By: Div/Acct
Date Selection: Period
Period: AUG 2026 To AUG 2026
Module: PL
Journal Activity: All
Accounts With No Transactions: Yes
Extended Reference: No
Interface Detail: No
Group by Department: Yes

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Payroll/Labor

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Pay Date: 08/17/2026 To 08/17/2026

Empl Name	Pay Date	Dir Dep/Check	Net Pay	Type
135 TIMOTHY BROWN	08/17/2026	128719	2,143.46	CHK

PARAMETERS ENTERED:

Pay Date: 08/17/2026 To 08/17/2026
Check/Direct Deposit: All
Employee: 135
Journal: 0

Division: All
Format: Summary By Check
Sort By: Check/Direct Deposit



CONTRACT NUMBER:
GVL32764-0

SUBRECIPIENT *
☒ YES ☐ NO

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT
Between
STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
And
MASON COUNTY PUD No. 1

THIS AGREEMENT is made by and between the State of Washington Department of Health, hereinafter referred to as DOH, and Mason County PUD No. 1, hereinafter referred to as Contractor pursuant to the authority granted by Chapter 39.34 RCW.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this Contract is to provide low-interest rate financing to eligible public water systems for the costs associated with planning, design and construction of eligible drinking water improvement projects.

THEREFORE, IT IS MUTUALLY AGREED THAT:

STATEMENT OF WORK AND BUDGET: The Contractor shall furnish the necessary personnel, equipment, material and/or services and otherwise do all things necessary for or incidental to the performance of the work set forth in Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein.

PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE: Subject to its other provisions, the period of performance of this Agreement shall commence on the ***Date of Execution*** and be completed on ***October 01, 2028***, unless terminated sooner as provided herein. Any work done outside of the period of performance shall be provided at no cost to DOH.

FEDERAL FUNDING ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY ACT (FFATA): If federal funds are included in this contract as indicated below, this contract requires compliance with the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA or the Transparency Act). The purpose of the Transparency Act is to make information available online so the public can see how federal funds are spent.

To comply with the act and be eligible to enter into this contract, your organization must have a Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) number. A UEI number provides a method to verify data about your organization. If you do not already have one, you may receive a UEI number free of charge by contacting System for Award Management (SAM) at [SAM.GOV](https://sam.gov).

Information about your organization and this contract will be made available on www.USASpending.gov by DOH as required by P.L. 109-282.

PAYMENT: Compensation for the work provided in accordance with this Agreement has been established under the terms of RCW 39.34.130. The parties have estimated that the cost of accomplishing the work herein will not exceed **\$50,000.00** in accordance with Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein. Consideration includes but is not limited to all taxes, fees, surcharges, etc. Payment will not exceed this amount without a prior written amendment. DOH will authorize payment only upon satisfactory completion and acceptance of deliverables and for allowable costs as outlined in the statement of work and/or budget.

Source of Funds:

Federal: \$50,000.00 **State: \$0.00** **Other: \$0.00** **TOTAL: \$50,000.00**

Contractor agrees to comply with applicable rules and regulations associated with these funds.

INVOICES AND PAYMENT: Contractor will submit invoices to the DOH Contract Manager for all amounts to be paid within 30 days of the month of service, or the submission date of deliverables with an associated cost, as specified in the Statement of Work (SOW). Refer to the SOW, Exhibit A, for invoice due dates on any budget/funding period(s) that end during the contract period of performance. DOH must receive correct and complete FINAL invoices no later than 45 days after the contract expiration date. Invoices must reference the contract number and provide detailed information as required. All invoices must be approved by DOH prior to payment; approval will not be unreasonably withheld. DOH will authorize payment only upon satisfactory completion and acceptance of deliverables and for allowable costs as outlined in the statement of work and/or budget. DOH will return all incorrect or incomplete invoices and will not pay for services that occur outside the period of performance. The Contractor will not invoice for services if they are entitled to payment, have been, or will be paid, by any other source for that service.

DOH will issue payment within 30 days of receiving a correct and complete invoice and approving the deliverable(s). Late invoices will be paid at the discretion of DOH and are contingent upon the availability of funds. Failure to submit a properly completed IRS form W-9 may result in delayed payments.

AGREEMENT ALTERATIONS AND AMENDMENTS: This Agreement may be amended by mutual agreement of the parties. Such amendments shall not be binding unless they are in writing and signed by personnel authorized to bind each of the parties.

ALLOWABLE COST: Shall mean an expenditure which meets the test of the Uniform Guidance (2CFR 200) (see "I. Federal Compliance"). The most significant factors affecting allowability of cost are; 1) they must be necessary and reasonable, 2) they must be allocable, 3) they must be authorized or not prohibited under State or local laws and regulations, and 4) they must be adequately documented. For more specifics see Selected Items of Cost 2 CFR 200.420).

ASSIGNMENT: The work to be provided under this Agreement, and any claim arising thereunder, is not assignable or delegable by either party in whole or in part, without the express prior written consent of the other party, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

CONFIDENTIALITY/SAFEGUARDING OF INFORMATION: The use or disclosure by any party of any information concerning a client obtained in providing service under this Agreement shall be subject to Chapter 42.56 RCW and Chapter 70.02 RCW, as well as any other applicable Federal and State statutes and regulations.

Any unauthorized access or use of confidential information must be reported to the DOH Chief Information Security Officer at security@doh.wa.gov. The notification must be made in the most expedient time possible (usually within one business day of discovery) and without unreasonable delay, consistent with the legitimate needs of law enforcement, or any measures necessary to determine the scope of the breach and restore the reasonable integrity of the data system.



CONTRACT NUMBER:
GVL32765-0

SUBRECIPIENT *
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INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT
Between
STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
And
MASON PUD 1 – BEL CEDAR

THIS AGREEMENT is made by and between the State of Washington Department of Health, hereinafter referred to as DOH, and Mason PUD - Bel Cedar, hereinafter referred to as Contractor pursuant to the authority granted by Chapter 39.34 RCW.

PURPOSE: Provide funding to PUD #1 of Mason County to write a Water System Plan for a new Group A water system by consolidating four Group B water systems: Cedar Meadows 1-341 (PWSID 05917), Cedar Meadows 2-342 (PWSID 05918), Black B 345 (PWSID 04752) and Black C 346 (PWSID 04757). Cedar Meadows 1-341, Cedar Meadows 2-342, Black B, and Black C are Group B water systems adjacent to each other and would benefit from becoming a single Group A water system.

THEREFORE, IT IS MUTUALLY AGREED THAT:

STATEMENT OF WORK AND BUDGET: The Contractor shall furnish the necessary personnel, equipment, material and/or services and otherwise do all things necessary for or incidental to the performance of the work set forth in Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein.

PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE: Subject to its other provisions, the period of performance of this Agreement shall commence on ***Date of Execution*** and be completed on ***October 01, 2028***, unless terminated sooner as provided herein. Any work done outside of the period of performance shall be provided at no cost to DOH.

FEDERAL FUNDING ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY ACT (FFATA): If federal funds are included in this contract as indicated below, this contract requires compliance with the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA or the Transparency Act). The purpose of the Transparency Act is to make information available online so the public can see how federal funds are spent.

To comply with the act and be eligible to enter into this contract, your organization must have a Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) number. A UEI number provides a method to verify data about your organization. If you do not already have one, you may receive a UEI number free of charge by contacting System for Award Management (SAM) at [SAM.GOV](https://sam.gov).

Information about your organization and this contract will be made available on www.USASpending.gov by DOH as required by P.L. 109-282.

PAYMENT: Compensation for the work provided in accordance with this Agreement has been established under the terms of RCW 39.34.130. The parties have estimated that the cost of accomplishing the work herein will not exceed **\$50,000.00** in accordance with Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein. Consideration includes but is not limited to all taxes, fees, surcharges, etc. Payment will not exceed this amount without a prior written amendment. DOH will authorize payment only upon satisfactory completion and acceptance of deliverables and for allowable costs as outlined in the statement of work and/or budget.

Source of Funds:

Federal: \$50,000.00 State: \$0.00 Other: \$0.00 TOTAL: \$50,000.00

Contractor agrees to comply with applicable rules and regulations associated with these funds.

INVOICES AND PAYMENT: Contractor will submit invoices to the DOH Contract Manager for all amounts to be paid within 30 days of the month of service, or the submission date of deliverables with an associated cost, as specified in the Statement of Work (SOW). Refer to the SOW, Exhibit A, for invoice due dates on any budget/funding period(s) that end during the contract period of performance. DOH must receive correct and complete FINAL invoices no later than 45 days after the contract expiration date. Invoices must reference the contract number and provide detailed information as required. All invoices must be approved by DOH prior to payment; approval will not be unreasonably withheld. DOH will authorize payment only upon satisfactory completion and acceptance of deliverables and for allowable costs as outlined in the statement of work and/or budget. DOH will return all incorrect or incomplete invoices and will not pay for services that occur outside the period of performance. The Contractor will not invoice for services if they are entitled to payment, have been, or will be paid, by any other source for that service.

DOH will issue payment within 30 days of receiving a correct and complete invoice and approving the deliverable(s). Late invoices will be paid at the discretion of DOH and are contingent upon the availability of funds. Failure to submit a properly completed IRS form W-9 may result in delayed payments.

AGREEMENT ALTERATIONS AND AMENDMENTS: This Agreement may be amended by mutual agreement of the parties. Such amendments shall not be binding unless they are in writing and signed by personnel authorized to bind each of the parties.

ALLOWABLE COST: Shall mean an expenditure which meets the test of the Uniform Guidance (2CFR 200) (see "I. Federal Compliance"). The most significant factors affecting allowability of cost are; 1) they must be necessary and reasonable, 2) they must be allocable, 3) they must be authorized or not prohibited under State or local laws and regulations, and 4) they must be adequately documented. For more specifics see Selected Items of Cost 2 CFR 200.420).

ASSIGNMENT: The work to be provided under this Agreement, and any claim arising thereunder, is not assignable or delegable by either party in whole or in part, without the express prior written consent of the other party, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

CONFIDENTIALITY/SAFEGUARDING OF INFORMATION: The use or disclosure by any party of any information concerning a client obtained in providing service under this Agreement shall be subject to Chapter 42.56 RCW and Chapter 70.02 RCW, as well as any other applicable Federal and State statutes and regulations.

Any unauthorized access or use of confidential information must be reported to the DOH Chief Information Security Officer at security@doh.wa.gov. The notification must be made in the most expedient time possible (usually within one business day of discovery) and without unreasonable delay, consistent with the legitimate needs of law enforcement, or any measures necessary to determine the scope of the breach and restore the reasonable integrity of the data system.



Mason County Public Utility District No. 1

Canal Comfort Fund Policy and Procedures

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Purpose

The Canal Comfort Fund ("Fund") is a voluntary charitable assistance program established by Mason County Public Utility District No. 1 ("District") to assist customers experiencing temporary financial hardship by providing limited financial assistance to help maintain essential utility services.

The Fund strengthens our community by allowing neighbors to help neighbors through voluntary contributions. Its purpose is to provide temporary assistance to avoid the loss of essential utility services while preserving the dignity and well-being of our community.

The Canal Comfort Fund is supported entirely through voluntary donations from District customers and community members. One hundred percent (100%) of all donated funds are distributed directly to eligible customers in need.

Authority

The Canal Comfort Fund was established by the Board of Commissioners of Mason County Public Utility District No. 1. and shall be administered in accordance with this policy, applicable federal and state law, and any administrative procedures adopted by the General Manager or designee.

Funding

All monies deposited into the Fund are voluntary contributions from District customers and other community donors.

- One hundred percent (100%) of donated funds shall be used to provide direct financial assistance to eligible customers.
- No administrative, overhead, fundraising, or operational expenses shall be deducted from donations.
- The Fund shall remain separate from District operating revenues and shall be used solely for the purposes described in this policy.
- Donations to the fund are considered tax deductible to the limits allowable by IRS.

How to Donate

Customers and community members may support the Canal Comfort Fund through any of the following methods:

- By Mail: Include a donation with a utility payment by check. Complete the remittance slip and indicate the amount to be donated before returning it with the payment.
- Online: Make a one-time donation through SmartHub.



- By Telephone: Contact Customer Service to make a one-time donation or enroll in automatic monthly giving.
- Automatic Monthly Giving: Customers may authorize recurring monthly donations by:
 - Donating the same dollar amount each month; or
 - Electing to round up their monthly utility bill to the nearest whole dollar, with the difference automatically donated to the Canal Comfort Fund.
 - Customers may elect at any time to cease automatic giving by notifying the PUD.

Customers wishing to establish recurring donations or participate in the round-up program must complete and submit the appropriate authorization form provided by the District.

All donations are voluntary and nonrefundable and shall be used solely to provide direct assistance to eligible customers in accordance with this policy, at the discretion of the District.

Annual Assistance Limit

Eligible households may receive up to \$150 in assistance during a calendar year, subject to available funding.

Receipt of assistance does not guarantee eligibility for future assistance.

Eligibility Requirements

Applicants must be current customers of the District and meet one of the following eligibility requirements:

LIHEAP Eligible Households

Customers who have received approval for assistance through the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) for the current program year, based upon household income at or below 150 percent of the Federal Poverty Level, are eligible.

Moderate-Income Households

Customers whose household income, based upon their most recent federal income tax return or other documentation acceptable to the District, meets the Clean Energy Transformation Act (CETA) Moderate Income requirements of 80 percent of the Area Median Income (AMI) for either Jefferson County or Mason County, Washington, or 200% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL), adjusted for household size, are eligible.

Emergency Hardship

Customers experiencing a documented financial emergency that prevents payment of their utility bill and places them at risk of service disconnection may be considered for emergency assistance.



Examples of emergencies include, but are not limited to:

- Sudden loss of employment;
- Serious illness or injury;
- Death of a household wage earner;
- Natural disaster;
- Unexpected major household expense; or
- Other unforeseen financial hardship as determined appropriate by the District

Emergency assistance is intended to address temporary hardships and is not intended to provide ongoing financial support.

Allocation of Donated Funds

Donated funds shall generally be allocated as follows:

- 60% shall be reserved for customers approved through LIHEAP.
- 30% shall be reserved for customers meeting the CETA Moderate Income (80% AMI or 200% FPL) eligibility requirements.
- 10% shall be reserved for Emergency Hardship assistance.

Should one funding category becomes depleted while another category has excess available funds, the District may reallocate available funds as necessary to meet demonstrated customer need.

Assistance Determination

Assistance shall be provided based upon:

- Verification of eligibility;
- Availability of funds;
- Current account status;
- Demonstrated financial need; and
- Compliance with program requirements.

Approved assistance shall be applied directly to the customer's utility account.

Approval or denial of assistance shall be determined by the District in accordance with this policy and shall be subject to the availability of donated funds.

Nondiscrimination

The Canal Comfort Fund shall be administered without discrimination based upon race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, disability, veteran status, marital status, or any other status protected by applicable law.



Confidentiality

Information obtained from applicants shall be maintained in accordance with applicable privacy laws and shall be used solely for determining eligibility and administering the Canal Comfort Fund.

Record Retention

Records relating to donations, applications, eligibility determinations, assistance payments, financial reporting, and administration of the Canal Comfort Fund shall be retained in accordance with records retention schedules approved by the Washington State Records Committee pursuant to RCW 40.14.050, and any other applicable state and federal recordkeeping requirements.

Program Administration

The District shall administer the Canal Comfort Fund in a fair, consistent, transparent, and fiscally responsible manner.

The District may establish administrative procedures, application forms, verification requirements, income documentation standards, and other operating procedures necessary to implement this policy.

Policy Review

This policy shall be reviewed periodically by the General Manager and District Treasurer and may be amended as necessary to reflect changes in applicable law, program administration, funding levels, or community needs.

Effective Date

This policy shall become effective upon adoption by the Board of Commissioners of Mason County Public Utility District No. 1 and shall remain in effect until amended or repealed by the Board.



**PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF MASON COUNTY**

N. 21971 Hwy. 101
Shelton, Washington 98584

MIKE SHEETZ, Commissioner
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PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT

GENERATORS PROJECT CHANGE ORDER FORM

NO. _____ 01 _____

The following changes are hereby incorporated into this Contract:

A. Description of Change:

Extend completion date out to 12/31/2026.

B. Contract Price Adjustment:

As a result of this Change Order, the total Contract shall be increased/decreased by the sum of \$ _____ N/A _____, plus sales tax, which the amount Contractor acknowledges is full and complete compensation for the Contract Work including changes incorporated by this Change Order.

This Change Order shall not provide any basis for any other payments to or claims by the Contractor as a result of or arising out of the performance of the work described herein. The new total revised Contract Price is \$ _____ N/A _____, including sales tax.

C. Time of Completion:

The time of completion shall be increased/decreased by _____ 31 _____ calendar days. The revised completion date shall be _____ 12/31/2026 _____.

D. Except as specifically provided herein, all other Contract terms and conditions shall remain unchanged.

CONTRACTOR

PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 OF MASON COUNTY

Company: _____

Accepted by: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

Accepted by: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____



PUD1 – Executive Summary – July 2026

This report summarizes information on the current financial status of Mason County PUD No. 1 for the month of July 2026:

- **Work in Progress:**
 - Grant Applications – Ongoing
 - 2025 Financial & Federal Single Audit
- **Completed Projects:**
 - 2026 Budget
 - 2025 Privilege Tax Return (Due 02-25-26)
 - 2025 Annual Report – Internal
 - 2025 EIA Report (Due 04-30-26)
 - 2025 Form 7 (Due 03-31-26)
 - 2025 Annual Report – State Auditor (Due 05-30-26)

Financial Highlights:

- Revenue – Gross Revenue was \$1,157,614 for the month of July 2026.
- Expenditures – Gross expenditures were \$1,026,615 for the month of July 2026.
- As of July, the PUD has \$1,111,981 grant reimbursements outstanding for ongoing projects, which is an equivalent of about 41 days of our cash on hand*.

Financial Metrics as Compared with Prior Year:	July 2026	July 2025
Total General Cash and Investments	\$837,588	\$858,556
Current Ratio (Current Assets/Current Liabilities)	2.04 to 1	2.12 to 1
Debt Service Coverage (O&M/ Debt Service)	4.92	3.88
Long-Term Debt to Net Plant	19%	21%
Total Debt to Equity Ratio (Total Liabilities/Total Equity)	33%	33%
Long Term Debt to Equity Ratio (Long Term Debt / Total Equity)	23%	26%
Times Interest Earned Ratio (Earnings before Interest & Taxes/Total Interest)	3.58	6.34
Cash on Hand (Total Available Cash/Average Daily Costs) *Includes Days Cash on Hand from Outstanding Grant Reimbursements	72 Days (General) 186 Days (All Funds)	46 Days (General) 157 Days (All Funds)



Mason County PUD No 1

Budget Summary by Division For the Month Ended July 31, 2026

	<u>Electric</u>	<u>Water</u>	<u>Sewer</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Total Revenue	\$ 823,621.12	\$ 333,013.52	\$ 979.05	\$ 1,157,613.69
Budgeted	\$ 791,671.02	\$ 309,918.32	\$ 977.70	\$ 1,102,567.04
Difference (-/+)	\$ 31,950.10	\$ 23,095.20	\$ 1.35	\$ 55,046.65
% of Budget	104%	107%	100%	105%
Total Expenditures	\$ 795,645.51	\$ 230,872.30	\$ 96.89	\$ 1,026,614.70
Budgeted	\$ 874,514.11	\$ 244,804.06	\$ 300.91	\$ 1,119,619.08
Difference (-/+)	\$ (78,868.60)	\$ (13,931.76)	\$ (204.02)	\$ (93,004.38)
% of Budget	91%	94%	32%	92%
Net Operating Margins	\$ 27,975.61	\$ 102,141.22	\$ 882.16	\$ 130,998.99
Budgeted	\$ (82,843.09)	\$ 65,114.26	\$ 676.79	\$ (17,052.04)
Difference (-/+)	\$ 110,818.70	\$ 37,026.96	\$ 205.37	\$ 148,051.03
% of Budget	-34%	157%	130%	-768%



Mason County PUD No 1

Budget Summary by Division for the Seven Months Ended July 31, 2026

	<u>Electric</u>	<u>Water</u>	<u>Sewer</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Total Revenue	\$ 7,346,943.33	\$ 1,897,275.27	\$ 6,845.61	\$ 9,251,064.21
2026 Budget	\$ 12,081,264.99	\$ 3,242,799.39	\$ 11,732.00	\$ 15,335,796.38
Difference (-/+)	\$ (4,734,321.66)	\$ (1,345,524.12)	\$ (4,886.39)	\$ (6,084,732.17)
% of Budget	61%	59%	58%	60%
 Total Expenditures	 \$ 6,512,171.44	 \$ 1,642,557.68	 \$ 2,746.27	 \$ 8,157,475.39
2026 Budget	\$ 11,739,190.50	\$ 2,820,792.90	\$ 9,098.00	\$ 14,569,081.40
Difference (-/+)	\$ (5,227,019.06)	\$ (1,178,235.22)	\$ (6,351.73)	\$ (6,411,606.01)
% of Budget	55%	58%	30%	56%
 Net Operating Margins	 \$ 834,771.89	 \$ 254,717.59	 \$ 4,099.34	 \$ 1,093,588.82
2026 Budget	\$ 342,074.49	\$ 422,006.49	\$ 2,634.00	\$ 766,714.98
Difference (-/+)	\$ 492,697.40	\$ (167,288.90)	\$ 1,465.34	\$ 326,873.84
% of Budget	244%	60%	156%	143%

Cash Flow

Beginning Cash (General Fund)	57,899.65	95,251.43	4,195.20	157,346.28
Net Operating Margin (Excluding Depreciation)	3,952,324.31	5,444,028.69	4,099.34	9,400,452.34
Cash Transferred to / from Special Funds	(1,114,962.84)	(629,191.77)	(245.87)	(1,744,400.48)
Change in Accounts Receivable	714,356.65	(275,869.01)	76.90	438,564.54
Change in Accounts Payable	(2,339,521.73)	21,777.65	0.00	(2,317,744.08)
Cash Expended on Utility Plant	(71,579.40)	(3,348,699.58)	0.00	(3,420,278.98)
Change in CWIP	(1,155,226.78)	(1,215,252.98)	(3,930.37)	(2,374,410.13)
Ending Cash (General Fund)	43,289.86	92,044.43	4,195.20	139,529.49



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August 13, 2026

Board of Commissioners
Clallam County Public Utility District No. 1
104 Hooker Road
Sequim, WA 98382

Dear Commissioners,

On behalf of the Board of Commissioners of Mason County PUD No. 1, we would like to extend our sincere appreciation to Sean Worthington and the entire Clallam PUD team for sharing your surplus AMR meters with us.

As a small public utility, we understand the importance of making the most of every resource. The opportunity to acquire quality surplus equipment from Clallam PUD allows us to put those assets back into productive service while making responsible use of our customers' dollars. The same goes for our friends and neighbors at the City of McCleary, who also benefited from this surplus transaction.

This type of cooperation is one of the strengths of our public power community. Thank you for your partnership and support. We deeply value our relationship and look forward to opportunities to work together again in the future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads 'Ron Gold'.

Ron Gold, Board President

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads 'Mike Sheetz'.

Mike Sheetz, Vice President

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads 'Jack Janda'.

Jack Janda, Secretary



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Board of Commissioners
Kittitas County Public Utility District No. 1
1400 Vantage Highway
Ellensburg, WA 98926

Dear Commissioners,

On behalf of the Board of Commissioners of Mason County PUD No. 1, we would like to extend our sincere appreciation to Matt Boast, Jennifer Wyle, and the entire Kittitas PUD team for working with our utility on the purchase of your surplus meters and metering equipment.

As a fellow small public utility, we understand the importance of making the most of every resource. The opportunity to acquire quality surplus equipment from Kittitas PUD allows us to put those assets back into productive service while making responsible use of our customers' dollars. The same goes for our friends and neighbors at the City of McCleary, who also benefited from this surplus transaction.

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August 11, 2026

Department of Ecology
Gopika Patwa
300 Desmond Dr. SE
Lacey, WA 98503

Gopika.patwa@ecy.wa.gov

RE: WSR-26-14-026 PROPOSED RULEMAKING FOR CHAPTER 173-423 WAC, CLEAN VEHICLES PROGRAM RULE

Thank you for the opportunity to provide formal comments regarding the proposed revisions to Chapter 173-423 WAC, as noticed in WSR-26-14-026.

Mason County PUD No. 1 is a water and electric service provider that serves rural Mason and south Jefferson Counties along the Hood Canal. We serve over 1,100 square miles and our crews work in extreme weather conditions to keep residents in safe, reliable power and water service throughout the year. We have grave concerns about the proposed Clean Vehicles Program and the impacts that EV mandates will have on our ability to respond to emergencies and the impact that recharging and downtime will have on our service restoration times, especially during extreme weather events where restoration can take several days under existing operational conditions.

As such, Mason PUD 1 strongly urges the Department of Ecology (ECY) to incorporate the flexibilities established by California's Assembly Bill 1594 (Garcia, 2023). This legislation specifically directs the California Air Resources Board (CARB) to accommodate public agency utilities by authorizing the replacement of "traditional utility-specialized vehicles" (TUSVs) that have reached the end of their useful life with internal combustion engine (ICE) models, regardless of model year. AB 1594 recognizes that utility vehicles are essential for responding to "major foreseeable events," including severe weather, wildfires, and natural disasters. To maintain federal identity under Section 177 of the Clean Air Act, Washington must adopt the same "relief valve" processes codified in California, including the specialized definitions and the expanded Daily Usage Exemption that allows for comprehensive data reporting rather than relying on minimal-use readings.

Despite the recent Congressional Review Act (CRA) resolutions (H.J.Res. 87, 88, and 89), which purported to overturn EPA waivers for California's emission standards, and the State of Washington's position on those resolutions, Washington remains legally bound to maintain standards identical to California's. If Washington fails to adopt the accommodations CARB has now integrated to comply with AB 1594, Washington's program will become more stringent than California's, creating a departure from identity that places the state's Clean Vehicle Program at significant risk of legal challenge. We urge ECY to use all means possible to provide legitimate legal pathways that mirror California's current regulatory structure for state and local government fleets.

Utility service providers must not have their choices constrained when acquiring the reliable equipment necessary for public safety. Highly specialized assets, such as bucket trucks and digger derricks, can cost upwards of \$1 million and require up to three years for procurement. Ensuring access to reliable, essential equipment is critical to keeping millions of Washingtonians in power and water service. Currently, the EV market is extremely volatile and major



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manufacturers have recently scaled back or discontinued electric truck and van models, while startups have faced bankruptcy.

Furthermore, currently available battery-electric configurations often fail to meet the rigorous demands of emergency restoration in remote areas. At a recent American Public Power Association conference, our General Manager attended a session on EV adoption for utilities, and the largely east coast panel of early EV adopters discussed how long their electric line trucks and bucket trucks were able to operate on a full charge. Their answer was **five hours**. And that was under normal service conditions- not during extreme heat or cold events and lengthy outage restorations where booms and outriggers are being operated the entire time.

Our power and water crews work 10 hour days on regular scheduled work weeks and can work as much as 18-24 shifts on outage response in extreme weather conditions. Our remote service territory already has no access to high-speed charging infrastructure and very limited access to Level 2 charging stations. If the power is out, there is no way for them to charge their trucks anyway when they're out in the field. This means that every 3-4 hours, they would have to pull off of the work site and travel up to 50 miles back to the PUD shop to sit and recharge their vehicles before they could go back out and continue their day's work or return to restoration efforts. For families who have been without power for most of the day, sometimes even up to a week, this additional delay in PUD restoration efforts will be unacceptable and in many cases life threatening. Our customer base has a disproportionate number of elderly and low-income households, many of whom rely on medical equipment at home such as C-PAP or oxygen machines and many of whom rely solely on electric heating and cannot afford backup generators.

The only other option for us is to simply not replace our fleet until we can make meaningful changes to these standards and the affordability and availability of complaint vehicles improves. Forcing utilities to rely on aging, less reliable equipment because they cannot register new, compliant ICE specialized vehicles creates an unacceptable risk to utility workers and the public.

It is for these life and safety reasons primarily, but also from a common sense and operational standpoint, that Mason PUD 1 strongly urges ECY to provide clear and legitimate legal pathways to accommodate utility service providers. This must include adopting the California TUSV definitions and the full suite of exemptions for emergency response tools. While Mason PUD 1 has been a leader in seeking grants to install Level 2 EV charging equipment on the Hood Canal and encouraging EV ownership in our rural county, we also must ensure that Washington's Clean Vehicle Program Rules do not come at the expense of operational readiness or the reliability of essential public services.

Thank you for your urgent attention to this matter. We look forward to working with your office to apply common sense remedies that align with Washington State's objectives but keep our public and employees safe.

Sincerely,

The Mason County PUD No. 1 Board of Commissioners


Ron Gold, President


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August 13, 2026

Bonneville Power Administration
Attn: Scott Wilson
P.O. Box 3621
Portland, OR 97208-3621

Dear Scott,

The Board of Commissioners of Mason County PUD No. 1 wishes to formally commend Marcus Perry for the exceptional service, leadership, and stewardship he has provided to our utility during his tenure as our Bonneville Power Administration Account Executive.

For 13 years, Marcus has become far more than our BPA representative. He has truly been an extension of the Mason PUD 1 team. He understands our utility, our customers, our challenges, and our priorities, and he has consistently approached his work with a genuine interest in helping Mason PUD 1 succeed. Whether navigating complex BPA matters, working through emerging issues, or helping us think strategically about our future, Marcus has always been accessible, knowledgeable, responsive, and solutions oriented.

For a small, rural public utility like ours, that level of partnership is especially valuable. We do not have a power manager or in house legal to address every power issue that arises. Having an Account Executive who understands our organization and can help us navigate BPA's programs, policies, and processes has been invaluable. Marcus has brought us institutional knowledge and sound judgment while also taking the time to understand how BPA decisions affect our utility at the local level. Just as importantly, Marcus has built his relationship with the Mason PUD 1 staff on trust and partnership. We know that when we call him, he will listen, give us a candid assessment, help us identify a path forward, and follow through. His leadership and professionalism reflect extremely well on BPA and set the standard for what a strong utility-BPA partnership should look like.

After 13 years of working together, we consider Marcus part of the Mason PUD 1 family. His contributions to our organization are deeply appreciated, and we want BPA leadership to know how highly we regard him and how much we value the stewardship he has provided to our utility and the customers we serve.

Please accept our sincere appreciation for Marcus and for the outstanding service he has provided to Mason County PUD No. 1. We hate to lose him as our AE, but we wish him all the best in his future and career.

Sincerely,


Ron Gold, Board President


Mike Sheetz, Vice President


Jack Janda, Secretary