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2018 NWPPA Safety Award Winners Announced

VANCOUVER, WASH. – An annual tradition, the 2018 Northwest Public Power Association Safety Award winners were announced at last week’s Engineering & Operations Conference in Tacoma, Wash., on April 12.

Safety contest awards are based upon a review of each utility’s safety contest form, the number of recordable injury/illness cases (the incident rate) in 2017, and the lost work days (the severity rate) in 2017.

Employees accepted the awards on behalf of their utilities at the conference’s closing banquet on Thursday evening in front of nearly 300 public power industry peers.

0-40,000 Hours of Exposure

First place (tie): Kittitas County PUD #1 (Wash.)
First place (tie): Northern Wasco PUD (Ore.)
First place (tie): Wasco Electric Cooperative (Ore.)
Second place: Milton-Freewater City Light & Power (Ore.)
Third place: Hood River Electric Cooperative (Ore.)

40,001-80,000 Hours of Exposure

First place (tie): Blachly-Lane Electric Cooperative (Ore.)
First place (tie): Lincoln Electric Cooperative (Mont.)
First place (tie): Sun River Electric Cooperative (Mont.)
Second place: Clatskanie People's Utility District (Wash.)
Third place: Douglas Electric Cooperative (Ore.)

80,001-125,000 Hours of Exposure

First place (tie): Columbia River PUD (Ore.)
First place (tie): Columbia Rural Electric Association (Wash.)
First place (tie): Consumers Power (Ore.)
First place (tie): Copper Valley Electric Association (Alaska)
Second place: Salem Electric (Ore.)
Third place: Lane Electric Cooperative (Ore.)

125,001-200,000 Hours of Exposure

First place: Umatilla Electric Cooperative (Ore.)
Second place: Idaho Falls Power (Idaho)
Third place: Mission Valley Power (Mont.)

200,001-275,000 Hours of Exposure

First place: Roseville Electric Utility (Calif.)
Second place: Homer Electric Association (Alaska)
Third place: Silicon Valley Power (Calif.)

275,001-500,000 Hours of Exposure

First place: Benton PUD (Wash.)
Second place: Mason County PUD No 3 (Wash.)
Third place: Cowlitz PUD # 1 (Wash.)

500,001-1,000,000 Hours of Exposure

First place: Clark Public Utilities (Wash.)
Second place: Eugene Water & Electric Board (Ore.)
Third place: Modesto Irrigation District (Calif.)

Over 1,000,000 Hours of Exposure

First place: Energy Northwest (Wash.)
Second place: Sacramento Municipal Utility District (Calif.)
Third place: Chelan County PUD (Wash.)

About NWPPA: NWPPA is an international association representing and serving more than 150 customer-owned, locally controlled utilities in the Western U.S. and Canada. The Association also serves over 300 associate members across the U.S. and Canada who are allied with the electric utility industry. For more information, visit www.nwppa.org, www.facebook.com/NWPPAssoc, or www.Twitter.com/NWPPAssoc.