

WHERE WE ARE GOING

NWPPA strives to maintain its focus on its members—continuously reshaping its educational delivery and content to ensure it meets the needs of its members in addressing not only the foundation of a well-developed and well-trained staff, but the ability to understand and address emerging challenges of the day, such as cybersecurity and distributed generation.

We continue to make strides in the depth of key legislative and regulatory issues, such as greenhouse gas, Waters of the U.S., and Endangered Species Act listings, that impact member utilities and the electric utility industry. We will continue to work on behalf of our members with NERC, WECC, and Peak to improve processes and make sure our members' needs and views continue to be represented.

It's all about communication. NWPPA continues to adopt new ways to communicate with our members to make sure they have access to the information they need, when they need it, and how they want to receive it.



WHO CAN BE A MEMBER

NWPPA is an international association representing and serving consumer-owned, locally controlled utilities in the Western U.S., Alaska, and Canada. The Association includes a network of over 150 public and consumer-owned utilities employing over 20,000 workers and serving over five million customers throughout the West.

Utility membership is open to public power utilities (cooperatives, municipals, PUDs, irrigation districts, and Crown corporations) throughout the West, Alaska, and Canada.

Associate memberships are open to organizations that sell goods and services to public power utilities. The NWPPA membership base includes some 300 associate members servicing the utility industry.

If you're not already a member, find out how to become part of a growing family of NWPPA members at www.nwppa.org.

“NWPPA not only assists us with a better understanding of local and regional issues, it communicates political and regulatory information from an advocacy viewpoint. NWPPA provides networking opportunities for utilities to gather and share/disseminate information which lends itself to forming alignment around common challenges.”

Chuck Thurman, Superintendent
Monmouth Power & Light



*Over 75 years of service
to the public power industry*



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WHO WE ARE

The Northwest Public Power Association (NWPPA) was founded in 1940 by a group of public power utility members who had the foresight to create a separate not-for-profit entity that would serve the collective interests of cooperatives, public utility districts, municipalities, and mutual public power utilities throughout the Northwest, eventually including Alaskan and Canadian public power utilities as well.

“NWPPA helps our utility and the industry by maximizing our influence through joint action among Northwest (and the nation’s) public power agencies. We are so much stronger when we work together on a common goal than we are as individual agencies. NWPPA’s training resources are excellent and are an extremely valuable resource for us and the industry, especially in the area of staff recruitment and retention.”

Michelle Bertolino, General Manager
Roseville Electric Utility

WHAT WE DO

Members and non-members alike recognize NWPPA as the premier workforce development and education provider for public power in the Northwest and much of the West. NWPPA’s 75-year history and the year-on-year return of utility staff to develop leadership skills; upgrade and refresh existing work-related skills, as well as learn new skills; and the sharing of different approaches and best practices are testament to NWPPA’s effectiveness. NWPPA also provides support to its members for strategic planning, succession planning, and several opportunities throughout the year for networking on contemporary issues.

NWPPA’s legislative and regulatory focus is on the broader-based issues facing its public power members at the regional and federal level. In 1966, NWPPA’s *Bulletin* noted the formation of the Public Power Council (PPC) for the purpose of serving a unique role as the forum for issues related to the Bonneville Power Administration. This has allowed NWPPA to take up a wider range of legislative, regulatory, and policy issues that impact a larger number of public power member utilities in the Northwest, Alaska, and Canada. For example, most recently NWPPA has been actively engaged in a number of legislative and regulatory proposals from supporting municipal bonding to expressing concerns about the impact of changes to regulations that can increase the cost of energy for member consumers.

On the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC), Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC), and Peak Reliability fronts, NWPPA is an active participant and advocate in working to modify standards and keep the focus on those that impact reliability. For example, NWPPA was instrumental in its work on the definition for the bulk electric system (BES) and the criteria for deregistration of those utilities which are unlikely to impact the reliability of the bulk electric system. NWPPA works closely and often collaborates with other regional and national public power entities, giving voice to national issues from its Northwest and West member perspectives.

“NWPPA is our strongest industry association partnership outside of our statewide for local issues.”

Clay Koplín, CEO
Cordova Electric Cooperative, Inc.

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