



# PUD No. 2 News

Fall 2019

Public Power Week is October 6-12. Visit your local PUD office on Monday October 7th from 8-10 am to help us celebrate!

## New Rates and Billing Format Coming to PUD Customers

At a public hearing on September 17th District Commissioners approved an updated rate schedule for all rate classes (as displayed below). In addition, the decision was made to break out the state taxes from customer bills in anticipation of upcoming legislative action. The District pays privilege tax and excise tax on revenue received, which is passed on to the customer. Customer's will now be able to see this break out. This coincides with the decrease in kWh rates, as the District will not need to pay for the taxes out of the kWh revenue, but rather from the taxes collected directly. The District will also use \$350,000 in reserve funds to postpone the additional rate increase until April of 2021. To view the Public Hearing presentation visit [www.pacificpud.org](http://www.pacificpud.org).

	Current Energy Rate	NEW Energy Rate (10/1/2019)	Current Basic/ Minimum Charge	NEW Basic/ Minimum Charge (10/1/2019)	NEW Basic/ Minimum Charge (4/1/2021)	Current Demand Charge	NEW Demand Charge (10/1/2019)
<b>Residential &amp; Farm Service</b>	<b>\$0.0672 per kWh</b>	<b>\$0.0634 per kWh</b>	<b>1 Phase: \$18.00 3 Phase: \$25.00</b>	<b>1 Phase: \$21.00 3 Phase: \$29.00</b>	<b>1 Phase: \$23.00 3 Phase: \$32.00</b>		
Small Commercial	\$0.0728 per kWh	\$0.0687 per kWh	1 Phase: \$29.00 3 Phase: \$40.50	1 Phase: \$34.00 3 Phase: \$46.00	1 Phase: \$37.00 3 Phase: \$49.00		
Large Commercial	\$0.0595 per kWh	\$0.0561 per kWh	1 Phase: \$36.00 3 Phase: \$50.00	1 Phase: \$42.00 3 Phase: \$57.00	1 Phase: \$46.00 3 Phase: \$61.00	\$6.50/kW/mo.	\$6.13/kW/mo.
Primary Metered Commercial	\$0.0588 per kWh	\$0.0555 per kWh	1 Phase: \$36.00 3 Phase: \$50.00	1 Phase: \$42.00 3 Phase: \$57.00	1 Phase: \$46.00 3 Phase: \$61.00	\$6.40 per kW per month	\$6.04 per kW per month
Large Industrial	\$0.0383/kWh	\$0.04/kWh	\$90.00/month	\$110.00/month	\$120.00/month	\$6.00/kW/mo.	\$6.00/kW/mo.
Small Industrial	\$0.0565/kWh	\$0.0533/kWh	\$90.00/month	\$110.00/month	\$120.00/month	\$5.20/kW/mo.	\$4.91/kW/mo.
Primary Metered Small Industrial	\$0.0489 per kWh	\$0.0461 per kWh	\$90.00 per month	\$110.00 per month	\$120.00 per month	\$5.10 per kW per month	\$4.81 per kW per month
Irrigation & Crop Pumping Service	\$0.0592 per kWh	\$0.0558 per kWh	\$216.00 per year	\$225.00 per year	\$230.00 per year	\$15.00/ horsepower/	\$14.15/ horsepower/



The District is preparing to celebrate it's 80th Birthday in 2020. Pick up your free calendar displaying the PUD History throughout the years!

## \$10 Bill Credit Promotion Available

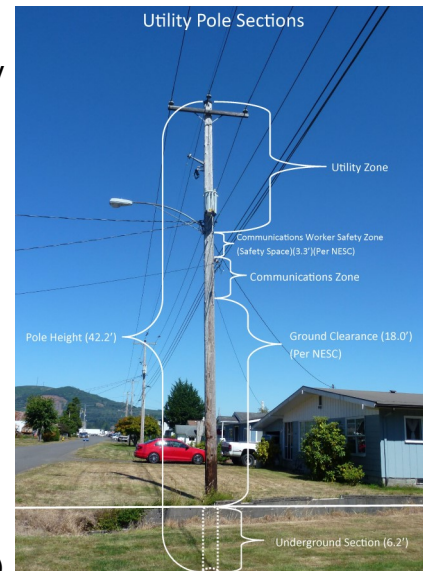
Each customer who signs up for ACH and paperless billing will receive a one-time credit on their bill of ten dollars (\$10). Current ACH or Paperless Billing customers who sign up for the additional service are also eligible. A twelve (12) month duration of paperless (only) billing and ACH payment withdrawal is required. ACH is an automatic payment method where customer's sign up using a checking or savings account authorizing the District to withdrawal the full amount due on the 5th, 12th, 20th or 27th of each month, depending on billing cycle. Accounts under an invoice group (one statement for all accounts) will receive a single \$10 credit after sign up. If ACH is cancelled or printed billing reinstated within the twelve (12) month period a miscellaneous charge of \$10 will be applied to the next billing. Contact your local office for more information and to determine eligibility.



## Partial Settlement in Pole Attachment Lawsuit

After thirteen years, the District has received a partial settlement of the pole attachment lawsuit against the three major communications companies. In 2006 the PUD made an attempt to update the reasonable rates that allowed the communications companies to rent space on District poles. Comcast, CenturyLink and Charter refused to pay the new rate or remove their equipment from District poles, resulting in the District filing suit against them in 2007. After years of back and forth, many appellate trials and partial sidings with the District, two of the companies, Charter and Comcast, chose to settle in May of 2019 after the Washington State Appellate Court sided with the District on a substantial majority of the case. The companies were responsible for paying the unpaid rates from 2007 to present at 12% interest, plus two-thirds of the District's attorney fees. The nearly \$3.4 Million received by the District now completely funds the reserve policy set in 2018. Centurylink chose to appeal the case to the Washington State Supreme Court who, on September 4th decided not to hear the case, another victory for the PUD.

(Pictured to the right: A diagram used in court to support the District's use of the rate formula.)



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