

# Oregon UTILITY ROUNDTABLES 2025

Oct. 15-16, 2025



### **Welcome and Introductions**

- Thank you, Canby Utility for hosting!
- Energy Efficiency Representatives (EER), Brice Lang, Corinne Mauck,
   Ryan LeBaron, and Phillip Kelsven.
- Attendees, please share:
  - Name and Utility/Organization.
  - Role in Energy Efficiency (EE) and how long you've been working in EE!

# **Safety Moment**



### **Think About**

- What are your goals for the upcoming rate period?
- How can Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) help you reach those goals?
- What else would you like to share with us?



# BPA Updates UTILITY ROUNDTABLES 2025

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### **Overview**

- BPA Energy Efficiency Objectives.
- Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-2025 rate period wrap up/look ahead:
  - FY 2024-2025 savings by sector.
  - BP-22 rate case vs. BP-25 rate case.
- Three-year rate period:
  - Why a three-year rate period?
  - EEI budget.
- Implementation Manual (IM):
  - Two IMs.
  - Reporting changes.

### **BPA Energy Efficiency Objectives**



1

Acquire energy efficiency savings that provide the greatest power resource benefits for the region.



2

Meet BPA's share of the energy efficiency goals established in the 8th Power Plan and prioritize cost-effective measures.



3

Offer a broad suite of measures that supports **all** BPA customers and their rate-payers in all sectors and demographics.

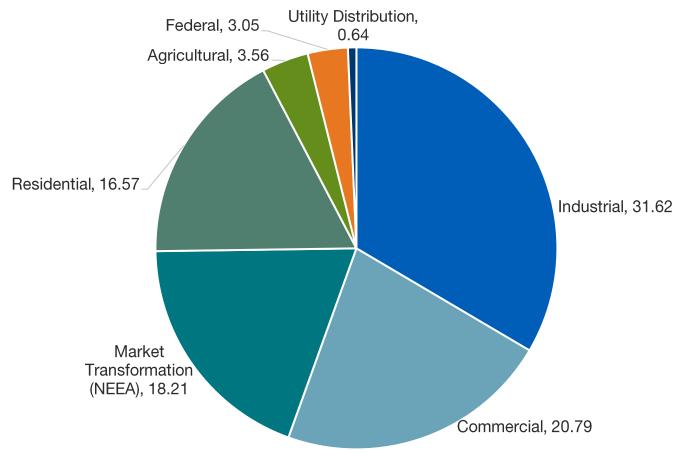
### Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Wrap Up/Look Ahead

- ✓ In FY 2022-2023 (BP-22), BPA acquired 89.6 aMW.
- ✓ In FY 2024-2025 (BP-24), BPA's goal was to achieve 90 aMW. Tentatively acquired 94.44 aMW.
- ✓ FY 2026-2027, BPA's goal is 90 aMW
- ✓ BPA remains on track to meet its 300 aMW energy conservation goal!



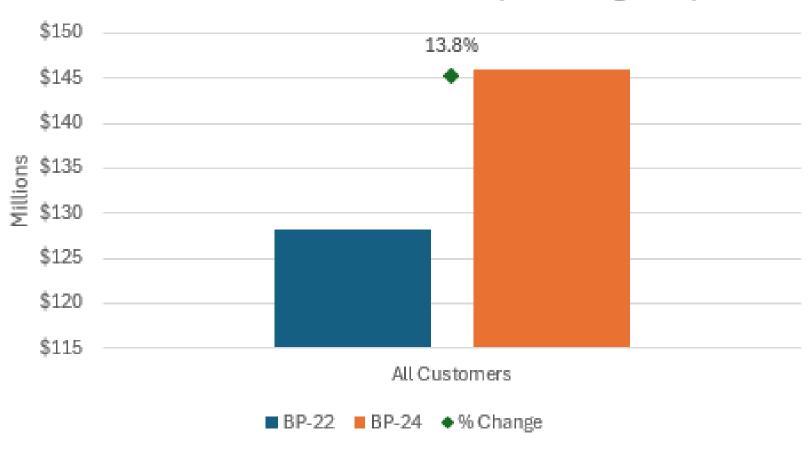
# **BP-24 Savings by Sector**



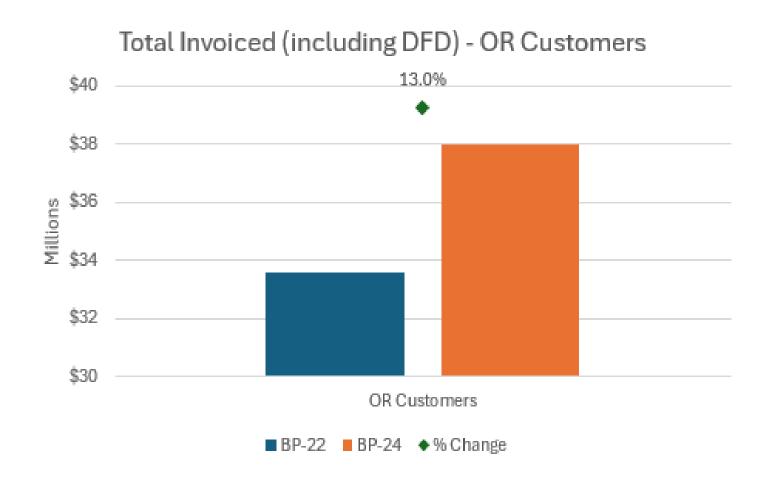


### BP-22 vs. BP-24 Total Invoiced



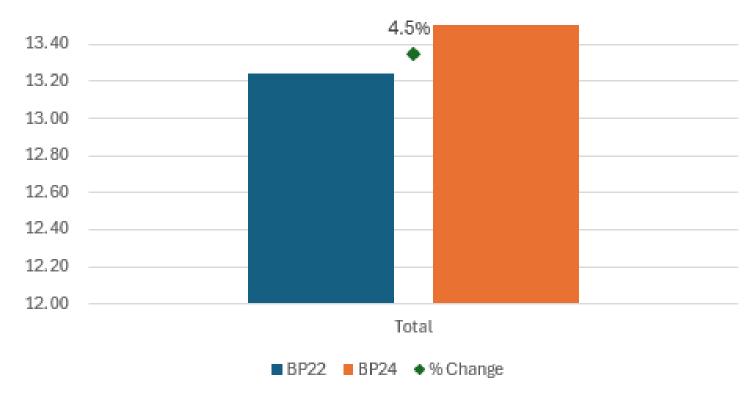


### Oregon: BP-22 vs. BP-24 Invoiced

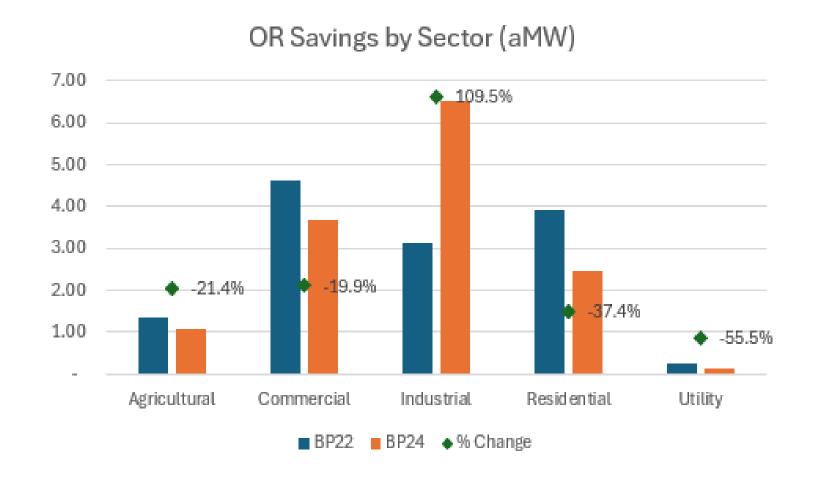


### Oregon: BP-22 vs. BP-24 Savings





### Oregon: BP-22 vs. BP-24 Savings by Sector



### (Why) A Three-Year Rate Period?

- 20-year Regional Dialogue contracts expire at the end of FY 2028.
- BPA rate periods for EE are in twoyear increments, which would leave FY 2028 stranded.



## Complexities of a Three-Year Rate Period

- The 9th Power Plan will tentatively be published in 2026 – possibly changing the underlying details of many measures.
- Activity tends to cluster in the latter part of the rate periods.
- Delayed reporting creates risk that BPA may not reach savings targets.
- There may be significant measure changes from the evolving EE market landscape during three years.



### Implementation Manual and Budget

- Two Implementation Manuals.
  - FY 2026-2027.
  - FY 2028 (full suite of changes).
- Access to the entire three-year rate period budget at the start of the rate period.
- Seamless budget to utilities but allocated by each FY.



### **Reporting Changes**

- Projects to be submitted into BPA Energy Efficiency Tracking System (BEETS) within six months of completion date.
- Projects to be invoiced within 60 days of "Ready to Invoice" status.
- BPA requests utilities report activity into BEETS at least once every six months.



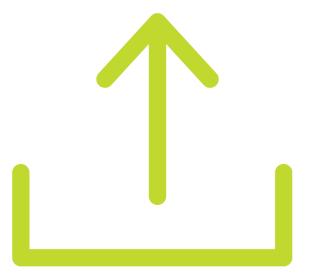
### **Reporting Changes**

### Now – As of October 1, 2025.

- Installed costs for <u>all</u> residential measures.
- Installed and repair costs (if applicable) for income qualified measures.
- See Oct. 2, 2025 Webinar.

### Later - April 1, 2026.

- Upload cost documentation.
- Utility Site Inspections are not required; required to indicate yes/no if conducted.
- BPA Site Inspections on a small portion of sites.
- See **Sept. 25**, **2025 Webinar.**





**Questions or Comments?** 



# **Commercial and Industrial Sector UTILITY ROUNDTABLES 2025**



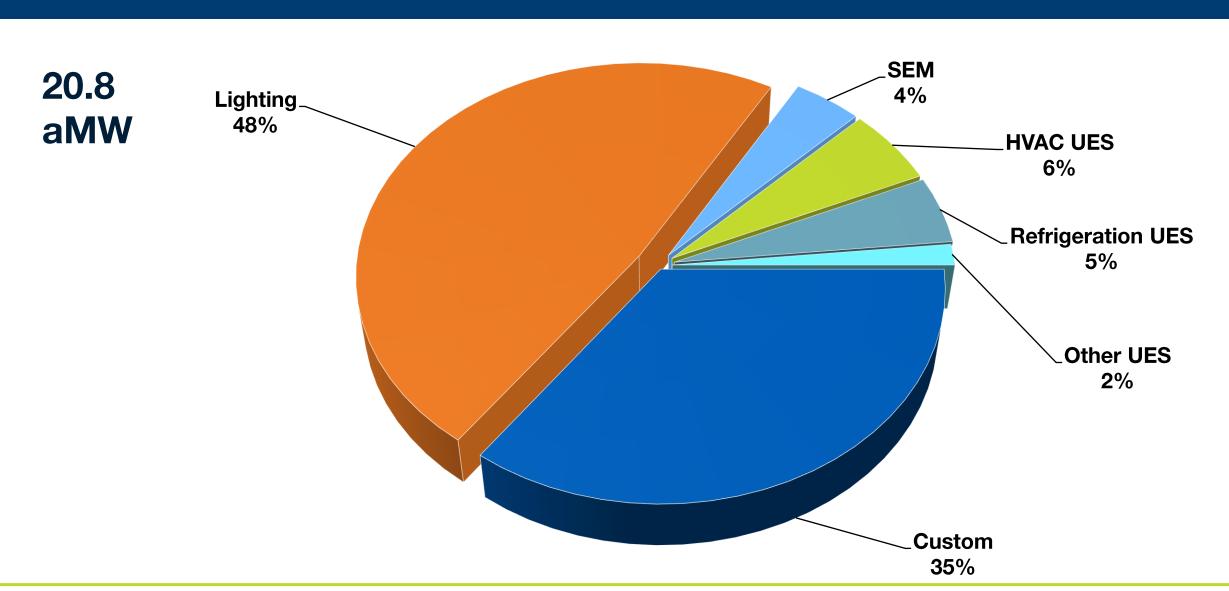
### Agenda

- FY 2024-2025 Rate Period Results.
- Nonresidential Lighting.
- Energy Management.
- UES Portfolio Highlights.

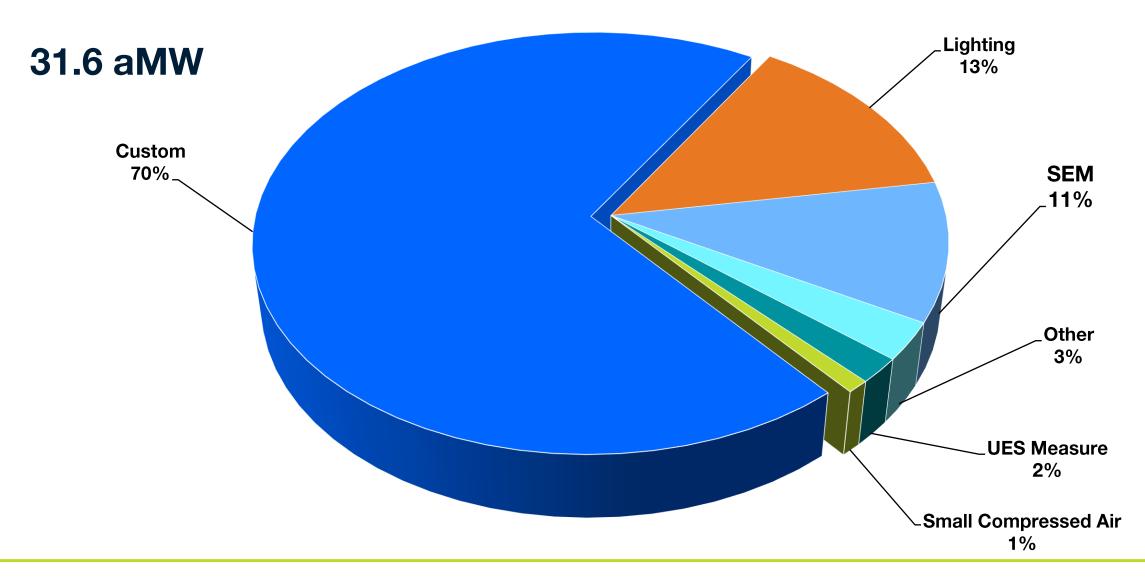




# FY 2024-2025 Commercial Savings



## FY 2024-2025 Industrial Savings



# Nonresidential Lighting



### FY 2026-2027 Incentives

Measure Series	Allocation 24-25	Allocation 26-27
Series A: Small Lamp/Fixture	\$2-5	\$4-10
Series B: LED Tubes (Type A)	\$2	\$4
Series O: LED Tubes (Type B/C)	\$8	\$12
Series C: LED General Indoor/Outdoor	\$20-\$210	\$40-\$280
Series D: LED High Bay	\$80-\$620 \$160-\$800	
Series E: LED Exterior	\$30-\$500	\$60-\$800
Series F: HID Screw-in Replacement	\$20-\$150	\$40-\$300
Series: G: LED Linear	\$0.13	\$0.25
Series H: LED Exit Signs	\$20	\$30
Series I: Signage	\$0.13	\$0.25
Series J: Decommissioning	\$0.13	\$0.25
Series K: Non-standard Measures	\$0.13	\$0.25
Series L: Controls	\$10-\$50	\$20-\$200
New Construction	\$0.13	\$0.25

### FY 2026-2027 Program Changes

### **Project Level Requirements**

Requirement	Allocation 24-25	Allocation 26-27
Minimum B/C Ratio	0.5 for all projects	0.5 for projects >200,000 kWh
Minimum Wattage Reduction (Retro)	25%	10%
Minimum Wattage Reduction (NC)	20%	10%

#### **Controls**

- Removed Networked Lighting Controls option from "General Indoor/Outdoor" and "High Bay" fixture retrofit measures.
- Added Luminaire Level Lighting Control measure- Allows controls to qualify for deemed incentives even when fixture upgrade is non-standard or ineligible.

### FY 2026-2027 Program Changes

### **New Baseline Eligibility Question**

Are replacement lamps for existing fixtures unavailable due to federal or state restrictions (eg ban on fluorescent lamp sales in Oregon)?

#### Related FAQ

- What about projects started in FY 24/25? Continue to use existing baseline.
- What about K-12 schools? Continue to use existing baseline.
- How do I establish code-baseline for a retrofit project? Trade allies unlikely to have permit paperwork with energy code compliance documentation. Comcheck offers a free platform to generate code baseline. BPA will accept either whole building or space-by-space method, but utilities should consider potential complexity of documenting square footage using space-by-space method.
- How do I establish cost for projects using code baseline? Two options: 1) Compare actual costs to an alternate bid, or 2) 25% of the installed lighting project materials.
- What about sites with mix of HID and fluorescent? BPA will accept 2 calculators, but utilities should consider potential complexity.

### **Online Lighting Calculator**

### **Recent Changes**

- New Allocation (RP\_FY26\_FY27) is now live.
- Admin access removed for all non-BPA users.
  - Contact <u>lighting@bpa.gov</u> for new users and/or utility configs.
- Project Summary Report runs automatically and accessible via Cloud.
- Measure Management area in Cloud is now read-only.
- Ability to transfer projects to trade allies via "Assign to Agency" function.
- Updated Online Lighting Calculator (OLC) User Manual (v2) released.

### **Online Lighting Calculator**

### **Planned Changes**

- Improve formatting of the Project Summary Report.
- Move Client Report to Cloud (like Project Summary Report).
- Re-create Utility Summary Report.
- Add option for multiple default rate schedules for each utility.





Hancock Software Bonneville Power Administration MINT Production Support

MINT Installation Page: updated 3-9-2025 5PM ET - build 1510 Production Build

- Windows 11 64-bit standard install kit
- Windows 11 64-bit MSI for Managed Desktops
- Apple MacBook installation package

Hancock MINT (Apple TestFlight)

AppStore iPad/iPhone Public build 1472

### **Online Lighting Calculator**

### **Available Utility Configurations in OLC**

- Contact Information.
- Default Energy and Demand Rates.
- Pass-through Incentive Amounts.
- Project Level Caps (Min B/C Ratio, Max \$/kWh, Max % Project Cost).

Reach out to <a href="mailto:lighting@bpa.gov">lighting@bpa.gov</a> for support.

# **Energy Management**



### **Energy Project Manager**

- More than 7 aMW worth of savings reported at 25 Energy Project Management (EPM) commercial and industrial sites in FY 2024-2025.
- Eligible for \$1.24M in EPM payments on top of standard measure incentives.

# An EPM can improve project outcomes, timeline, and return on investment.



Save more energy and money by maximizing energy savings



Reduce project implementation lead times



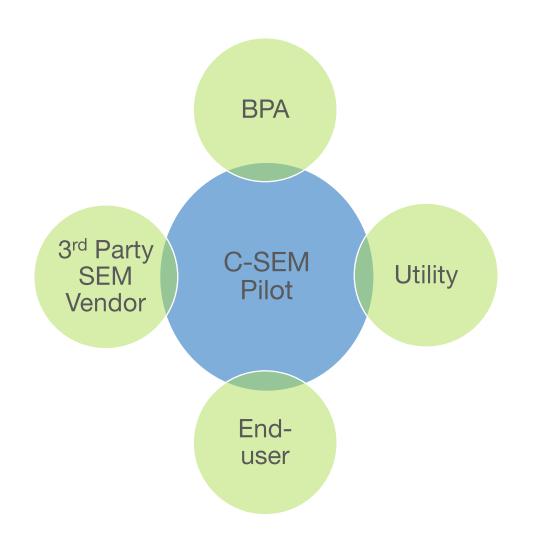
**Develop** a pipeline of future energy efficiency project opportunities



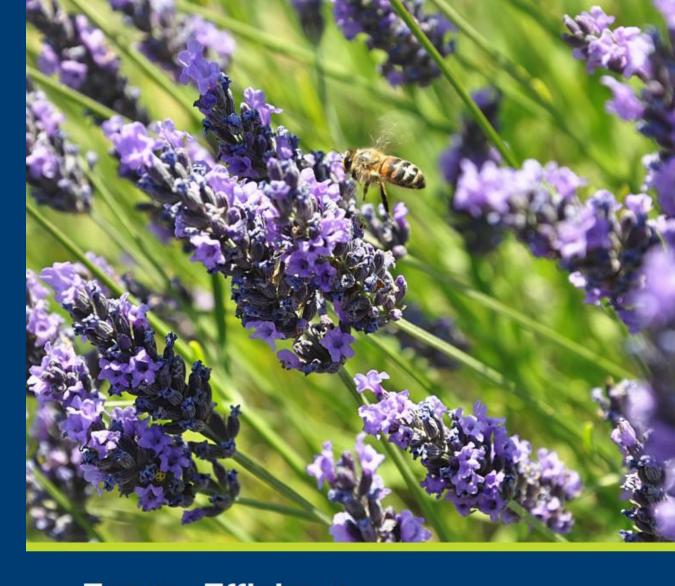
**Earn** an EPM payment in addition to energy savings incentives for completed energy efficiency projects.

### **Strategic Energy Management**

- Strategic Energy Management (SEM) generated nearly 4 aMW in savings across 85 commercial and industrial sites in FY 2024/2025.
- First Quarter (Q1) FY 2026: BPA will be engaging USB and any interested utilities in providing feedback on a commercial SEM program pilot design.



# UES Portfolio Highlights

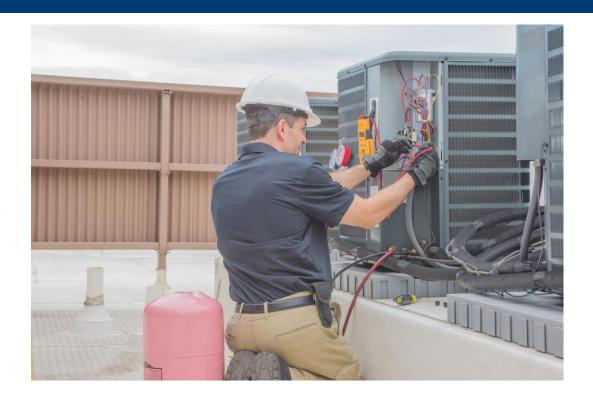


Energy Efficiency Implementation Manual 2026-2027



### **Commercial HVAC**

- 1. Air-Source Heat Pumps.
- 2. Ductless Heat Pump (DHP).
- 3. Supply Air Fan Control.
  - a. Variable Frequency Drive (VFD) on Air-Handler Unit.
  - b. Advanced Rooftop Unit Control.
- 4. Heat Recovery Ventilators (HRV).
- 5. Package Terminal Heat Pumps (PTHP).
- Connected Thermostats.
- 7. Variable Refrigerant Flow (VRF).
- Demand Control Kitchen Ventilation.



- Equipment Measure
- Controls Measure

## **Commercial Refrigeration**

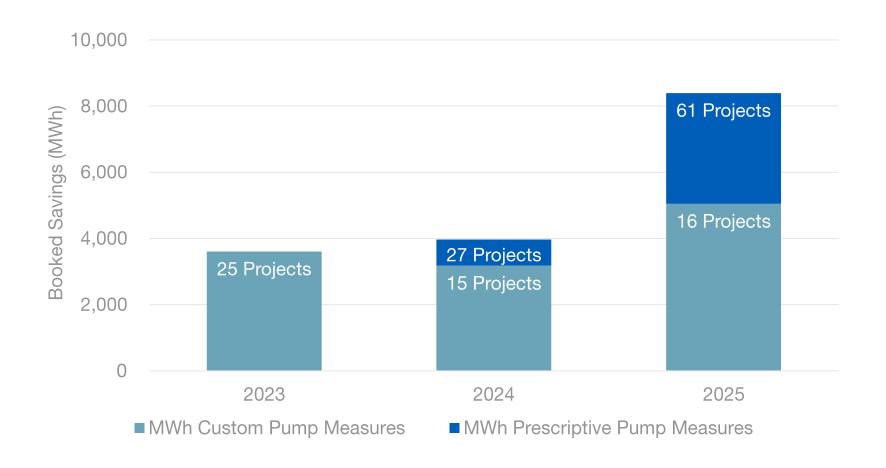
- 1. Case Door Retrofit.
- 2. Floating Refrigeration Controls.
- 3. ECM Evaporator Fans.
- 4. Evaporator Fan Controls (NEW).



- Equipment Measure
- Controls Measure

# **Clean Water Pumps**

- 1. VFD on Pumps.
- 2. Efficient Pumps.



- Equipment Measure
- Controls Measure



**Questions or Comments?** 

# Time for a break!



# Energy Smart Industrial Program Update

Jeff Bernacki

October 15, 2025

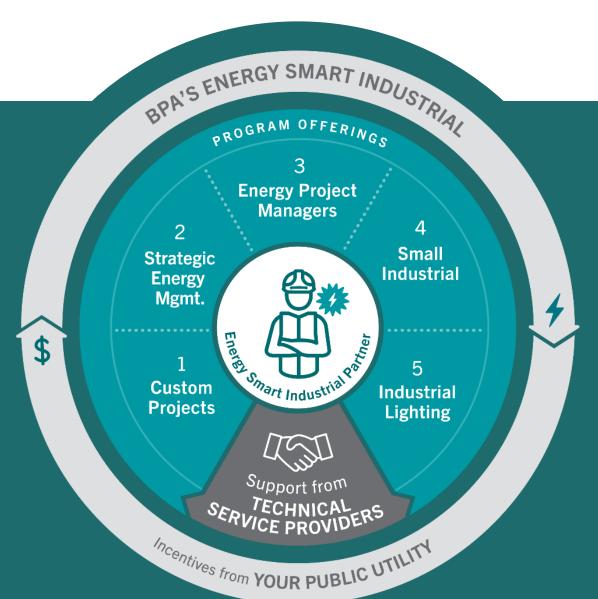


# What is the ESI Program?



Assists the public utilities and the industries of the Pacific Northwest with ELECTRICAL energy efficiency.

- Provides technical expertise and cash incentives to implement energy efficiency projects.
- Serves industries of all types, sizes, and budgets (including wastewater).
- The ESIP serves as a single point of contact for utilities and industries.



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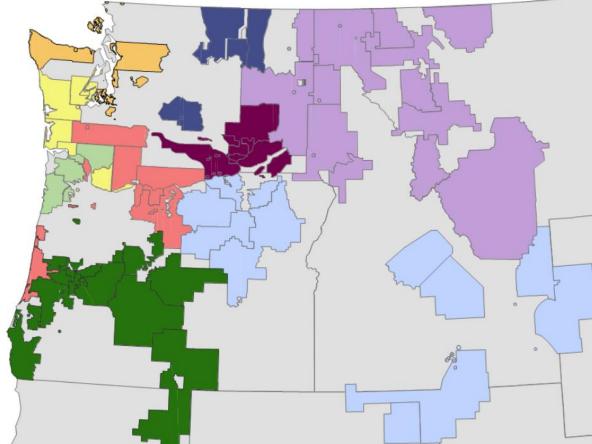
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# **Extending Strategic Energy Management's (SEM) Reach**



ESI is innovating to deliver a **full SEM experience** to industrial participants across a wide spectrum of scales and geographies.

# **Continuous Enrollment**

Sites start when the time is right for them

# **Opportunity** Identification

Multi-day tune-ups

or

One-day treasure hunts

# **Right-sized** M&V

Engineering calculations

or

Whole-facility energy model

# **Flexible** Learning

Peer learning webinars

and

Self-paced learning

### All SEM engagements include:

- 2-year performance period
- Regular check-ins Eligibility for Performance Tracking System

### **SEM Outreach Materials**





# Are your operations wasting money?

#### Your facility, systems, and people are unique.

Maximize your energy potential through Strategic Energy Management (SEM), provided through your local utility. Together we'll dive deep into understanding your facility's operations, find ways that it can run more efficiently, and ultimately improve your bottom line.

#### Acquire new skills and tools to reach your goals.

BPA's Energy Smart Industrial program delivers SEM in a comprehensive, tailored manner that adapts to the needs of each participating business and facility.

Through hands-on application, your team will be empowered to achieve lasting energy savings with minimal time, cost, or process disruptions.

Energy efficiency becomes accessible, actionable, and rewards operations of every size.

- Launch SEM with gusto! Industrial facilities are short on staff and long on priorities. ESI SEM helps you find and achieve low and no-cost quick wins.
- ✓ Build a strong energy team. Through structured support and self-paced learning, your energy team will develop skills to have greater energy awareness. ESI guides your organization towards self-sustainable energy management practices to deliver continuous value long after our work is complete.
- V Discover your facility's efficiency potential. A dedicated engineer will get to know your facility's unique processes and equipment, identify quick wins and assist your energy team with overcoming common efficiency barriers.
- ✓ Access great tools. Our self-paced SEM curriculum and project management software will get you started efficiently. They will help you learn and implement new strategies, organize projects, facilitate collaboration, and ensure long-term savings persistence.
- Secure long-term success. Beyond identifying savings during the SEM two-year engagement, you will establish the systems and practices to keep energy efficiency initiatives moving forward. Your energy team and facility staff will gain the confidence and capability to continuously improve your site's energy performance without external support.

#### PARTICIPANT CASE STUDY

#### Rosboro Lumber in Vaughn, OR

Emerald People's Utility District together with BPA's ESI team offered SEM to Rosboro Lumber, providing their energy team with technical skills, performance incentives, and improved O&M practices. By the second year of participation, the team implemented 15 low- and no-cost improvements that reduced the facility's energy consumption by 10%.



#### What could this mean for your facility?

For a typical facility using 5 million kWh of electricity each year, reducing their energy usage by 5% would save 250,000 kWh while reducing energy costs by \$15,000 annually. "SEM has been a gamechanger. It's opened my eyes to energy savings opportunities, and I'm making smarter decisions because of it."

John Shukle Electrical Supervisor at Rosboro Lumber

#### FAQ

#### What is included in SEM?

TREASURE HUNT: Partner with ESI's technical experts to identify, evaluate, and implement low and no-cost energy saving opportunities at your facility.

**TECHNICAL EXPERTISE:** Through regular check-ins and tailored engineering support, your energy team will expand their knowledge while gaining experience with SEM.

ON-DEMAND TRAINING: Self-paced learning modules feature core SEM topics such as how to form an energy team, identify energy-saving opportunities, and engage facility staff. Technical training modules can also boost your knowledge of the operation and efficiency of existing equipment and systems within your facility.

**PEER NETWORKING:** Connect with other industrial SEM participants regularly to share ideas, gain insights, and learn from each other's experience.

#### How long does a SEM engagement last?

SEM is a two-year commitment that enables you to identify opportunities, implement projects, and demonstrate improvements over time.

#### Where do the energy savings come from?

Energy savings primarily come from operations and maintenance (O&M) improvements such as, but not limited to: shutting off diling equipment, scheduling equipment more efficiently, eliminating compressed air leaks, lowering flowrates and operating pressures, and improving equipment sequencing. These savings may also be supplemented by implementing capital projects.

#### What range of savings is possible?

Savings vary by site, but 3–6% O&M savings is typical in the first year of SEM. Some sites have achieved more than 20% total energy savings at the end of year two.



#### Let's see how SEM can work for you.

Reach out to your Energy Smart Industrial Partner (ESIP) or electric utility representative.





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### **Data Center Resource Materials**



#### Your Partner in Data Center Excellence

Enhance your data center operations with technical support and utility rebates and incentives for qualifying new construction and retrofit energy saving projects. You can get paid to save energy while improving reliability and performance from your electric utility and the Bonneville Power Administration's Energy Smart Industrial (ESI) Program.

Contact your utility for specific eligibility details.

#### **Energy Efficient Upgrades**

#### **Controls & Monitoring**

- · Airflow management systems
- Data center infrastructure management (DCIM) implementation
- · Real-time monitoring solutions

#### **Cooling Optimization**

- Free cooling solutions
- High-efficiency computer room air conditioning and air handling (CRAC/CRAH) units
- · Hot/cold aisle containment
- Variable speed drives for fans and pumps

#### **IT Equipment**

- · Server consolidation
- Storage optimization

#### Power Infrastructure

- · Advanced power distribution
- High-efficiency engine heaters
- High-efficiency uninterruptible power supply (UPS) systems
- Smart power distribution units (PDUs)
- Transformer upgrades



# Energy Smart Industrial

66 I was really impressed with the skills the ESI team brought to the table. They knew exactly what to monitor and check. They handled the proposal and the incentive paperwork. And they made sure the process was fast and seamless."

Regional Manufacturing Manager

#### Why Act Now?

- x Rising energy costs
- \* Growing pressure for sustainability
- × Competitive advantage in your market
- x Incentives are available from your public utility!

#### 4 Easy Steps

- Confirm Eligibility
   Contact your utility for eligibility
  and available incentions.
- 2 Project Design

The ESI team can conduct a scoping or project assessment and report the energy efficiency measures with detailed price quotations for your experts to prepare a detailed design.

[3] Implementation

Once the project design is received, you choose the qualified contractor to implement the plan successfully.

Verification

The ESI team verifies the saving based on your project's design, while your utility processes the incentive payment.

#### Get Started Today

Contact your utility or Energy Smart Industrial Partner.









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# FOCUS ON FRESH TASTE, NOT ENERGY WASTE

New plant saves millions from facility-wide projects





#### **Project Overview**



Reser's Fine Foods production plant in Pasco, Washington.

Reser's Fine Foods built a new production plant in Pasco, WA. From the early stages of design, Reser's and their consultants partnered with ESI to ensure an optimally efficient design. Since, they have continued their energy efficiency progress with a range of additional projects.

#### Refrigeration

Reser's included a heat recovery system and upgraded essentially every component of the refrigeration system including efficient compressors, evaporators, condensers, and chillers.

#### Lighting

Reser's installed efficient LED lighting throughout both office and production spaces.

#### Equipment

And Reser's upgraded many of the water pumps, boiler fans, and an air compressor to variable speed.

#### **Annual Results**



7,180,000 kWh First Year Savings



\$360,000 Avoided Energy Cost



3,340 Tons CO<sub>2</sub>
Scope 2 Emission Reduction







What ideas do you have to save energy?

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#### A HEALTHY HARVEST OF ENERGY SAVINGS A blend of SEM and capital projects reaps rewards

LambWeston

## "RUN-AROUND" FOR ENERGY SAVINGS

Stategic Energy Management and Capital Projects Help Save Energy

**ENERGY SAVINGS REPORT** 

Capital Projects Improve Energy Efficiency and Future Capacity

#### framatome



#### **Project Overview**

In 2023, the Lamb Weston vegetable processing plant in Paterson, WA completed several efficiency projects with Benton REA and Energy Smart Industrial, The plant completed a 2-year Strategic Energy Management (SEM) engagement, installed a VFD air compressor and cycing refrigerated dryer. installed VFDs on many pumps throughout the plant, and upgraded a pneumatic conveying system to a mechanical conveying system



#### Optimized Settings

The plant identified the low-cost opportunity to raise the freezer suction pressure. This allows the efrigeration compressors to use less energy without mpacting the space temperature.

#### **Upgraded Compressor System**

The plant installed a VFD compressor that improved part-load efficiency and an air dryer that cycles on/off based on demand.

#### Added Pump VFDs

As part of plant-wide electrical upgrades, the plant installed VFDs on many pumps that had previously been throttled and ran continuously at full speed

#### **Annual Results**



830.800 kWh **First Year Savings** 





**386** Tons CO<sub>2</sub>

What ideas do you have to save energy?

**Project Overview** 

new Uranium Recovery Facility, but their energy team has been committed to sustainable operation and helped drive down the operating costs through energy efficiency.

HVAC is a critical system at Framatome's

#### Added Exhaust Heat Recovery

The "run-around" loop uses exhaust air to pre-heat the outside air intake in the winter and to pre-cool the intake in the summer, achieving energy savings year-round. The energy team fine-tuned the heat recovery controls during an SEM cohort to maximize energy savings.

#### Installed Fan VFDs

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Variable frequency drives (VFDs) on the facility's fans ensure that airflow and ssure requirements are met efficiently

#### **Annual Results**



336,000 kWh **First Year Savings** 





**156** tons CO<sub>2</sub>



**Energy Smart** Industrial

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**Project Overview** 





What ideas do you have to save energy?

Fruitsmart operates a fruit processing plant

and a cold storage in Prosser, WA. In 2023,

they implemented several projects to improve

refrigeration energy efficiency. The installed

Installing a central refrigeration control system

Controls Upgrade

hours from home

measures produced a substantial drop in year-

over-year energy-more than originally estimated.

enables more efficient operation in addition to being

a huge time-saver for the refrigeration team as they

are able to monitor from their office and even after

Condenser and Evaporator Fan VFDs

and lower power rather than cycling fans on and off.

This also improves cold storage temperature control

The VFDs allow the fans to run smoothly at lower speeds

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# A SMARTER WAY TO KEEP IT COOL

Custom refrigeration projects bring more savings than expected

#### **Annual Results**



+1 Million kWh **First Year Savings** 





16 tons CO<sub>2</sub>

#### **Project Overview**





TOP LEFT: Recirculating pump VFDs. TOP RIGHT: Membrane skid. BOTTOM LEFT: One of the two in ROTTOM RIGHT: Incentive clast check common image provided by the Supposition Supplementary.

The Port recently increased the capacity of their industrial wastewater treatment plant, investing in an energy-efficient design to lower operating costs

#### **Upgraded Turbocompressors**

This project consisted of replacing five positive displacement lobe blowers with two more efficient Sulzer HST 350 hp turbocompressor blowers. And with the addition of variable frequency drives (VFDs) on the turbocompressors even greater efficiency was achieved.

#### **Efficient Filtration Design**

The Port was presented with several design options and ultimately invested in a system that enables the pumps to meet flow requirements with less energy than alternative designs. In addition, VFDs increase the efficiency of the pumps during operation, maximizing system energy savings

#### **Annual Results**

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+2.200.000 kWh **First Year Savings** 



**Avoided Cost** 



+1.000 tons CO<sub>2</sub>





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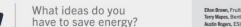
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# **Custom Project Lead Time**



**CR Approved** 

Average time between CPP and CR approval 360 days

Project
Assessment
(PAR)
120 days

Purchase, Install, Commissioning

210 days

Post M&V

150 days

Includes data collection, analysis, and Completion Report



# **ESI Custom Project Process**





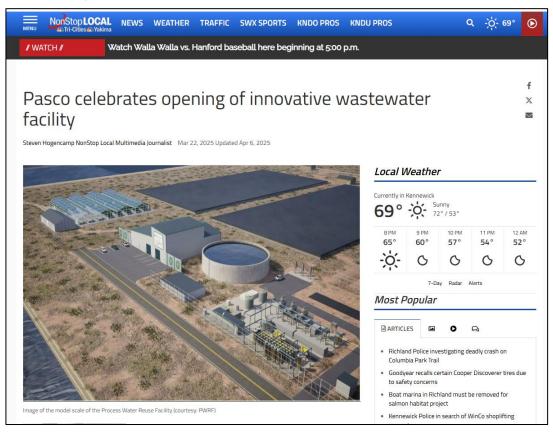
#1 – Call us when you hear about an opportunity #2 – Share Customer List with ESIP

# **Project Lead Reminder**

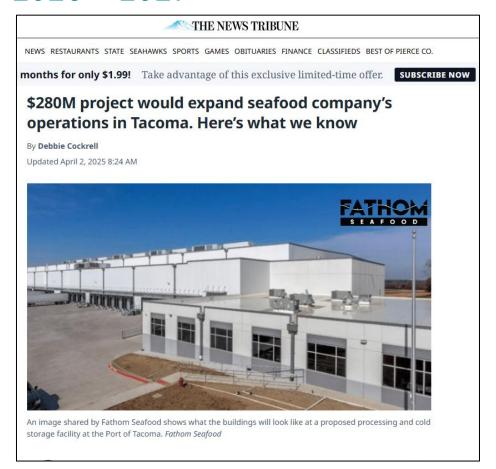


Let your ESIP know about project leads: new construction, expansions, etc.

*Spring 2025 M&V – 2.3M kWh* 



2026 - 2027



# Thank you!







Real Comfort. Real Savings. Real Smart.





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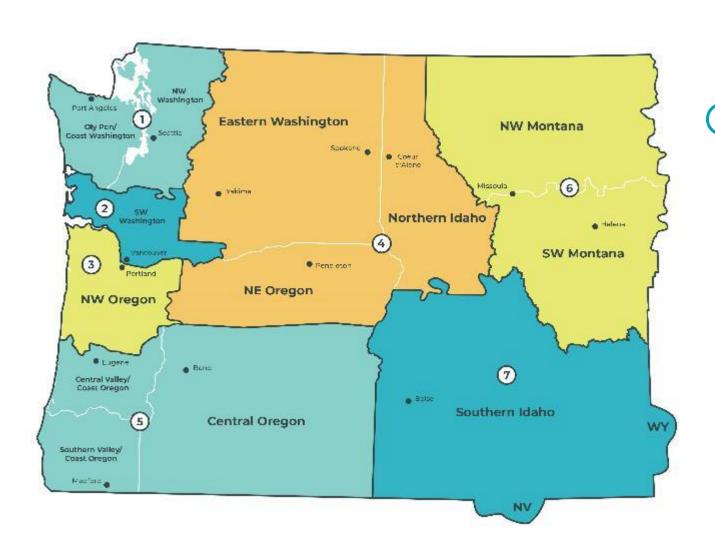
Homeowners

Contractors

Utilities

# **Comfort Ready Home | Field Team**







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# About the Program

Comfort Ready Home is a partnership between Bonneville Power Administration and its customer utilities.

Our goal is to increase the number of residential energyefficient insulation, windows, HVAC, and water-heating installations in the Northwest.

We aim to achieve this by connecting homeowners, contractors and utilities and providing each with the tools, resources, and support they need to prioritize energy efficiency.

### **BETWEEN JULY 1, 2024, AND JUNE 30, 2025, WE:**







utilities supported







Trained
827
contractors and utility staff in person



396
heat pump water heater installations

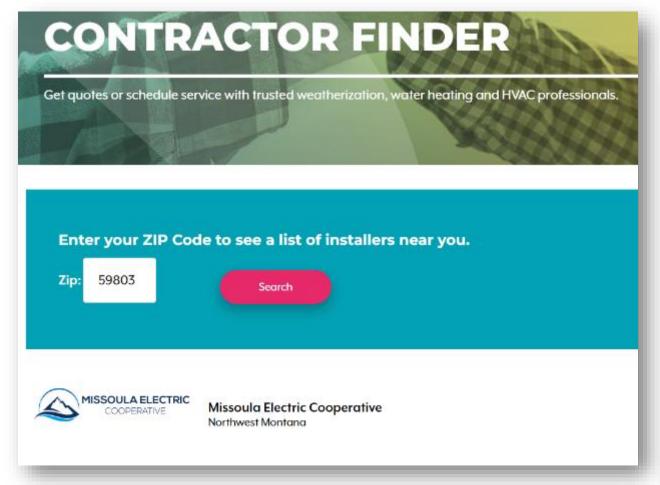
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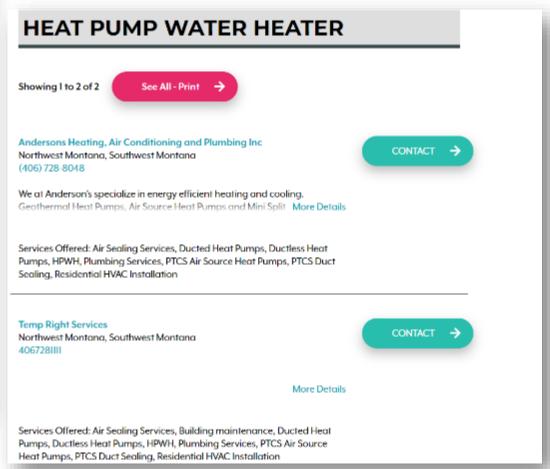


Hosted 13 workshops

# Take Advantage of the Contractor Search







# **On-Site Workshops**



Small group contractor trainings.

Heat Pump Water Heaters.

Home as a System.

Wall Insulation.

Heat Pump Best Practices.

Duct Sealing Best Practices – NEW!



# **On-Demand Training**





- Insulating Sloped Ceilings
- Attic Insulation
- Floor Insulation

# Learning Center

- Cold Climate Heat Pumps
- Manufactured Home Insulation
- Site Built Wall Insulation



Simple and Effective Floor

Insulation

Heat Pump Water Heater Opportunities + Installation Considerations (CRH-EiQ215)

HEAT PUMP WATER HEATER

INSTALLATION CONSIDERATIONS

**OPPORTUNITIES AND** 



# **Training and Educational Videos**





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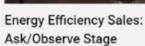
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# **Customizable Video – Rebate Roundup**

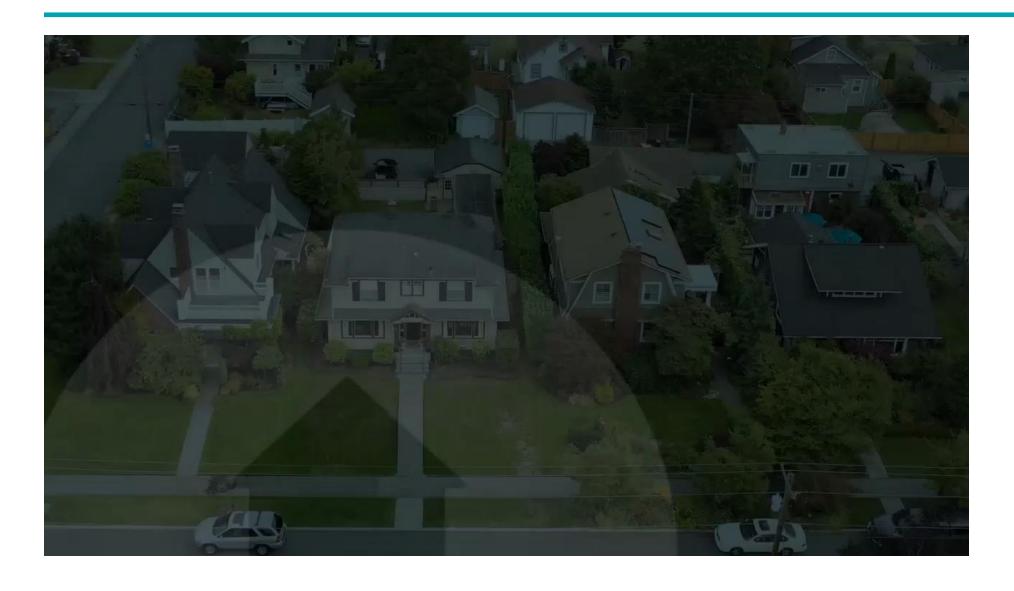


## **Module Options**

- Introduction
- Heat Pump Water Heaters
- Ductless Heat Pumps
- Air Source Heat Pumps
- Insulation
- Duct Sealing
- Windows
- Multifamily
- Outro







# **BUILDING A STRONGER PROGRAM**



#### **The 2025 Contractor Survey**

- Contractors who engage with Comfort Ready Home are highly satisfied.
- Overall awareness and usage of services is around 50%.
- We need to continue building pathways that make the Program more visible.
- 97% of respondents who used the Program's training and technical resources reported a positive experience.
- 71% of participating plumbers said the Greener Water Heater Promotion helped them sell more heat pump water heaters.
- 8 contractors began offering HPWHs for the first time.
- Contractors want help reaching customers and rebate information.

# LOOKING FORWARD

The Comfort Ready Home program is built upon a strong foundation of technical expertise and customer service. This has allowed us to expand and improve the support provided to utilities and contractors through the last year.

Looking ahead, we will continue to focus on providing and improving on our existing offerings, while also expanding to meet the changing needs of utilities and contractors.

#### Goals for 2025–2026 include:

1

Engage 95 utilities in the Utility Program Plan process 2

Provide 10 trainings throughout the region

3

Help utilities, contractors, and end-users navigate a changing incentive landscape 4

Reach 150,000 users
via the Program
website and
YouTube channel

5

Develop Duct Seal Best Practices small group workshop curriculum

We're excited to build on the progress made over the past year and to continue providing valuable resources and expertise to our utility and contractor partners.

# **Thank You!**

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# **Custom Projects: Best Practices and Lessons UTILITY ROUNDTABLES 2025**



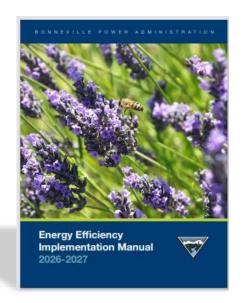
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# **Custom Project Overview**

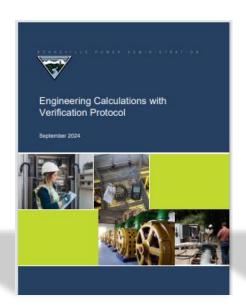
- Unit Energy Savings (UES) vs. Custom.
- Commercial versus Industrial.
- General Requirements.
- Custom Project Process.
- Project Success Story.
- Energy Smart Industrial (ESI).

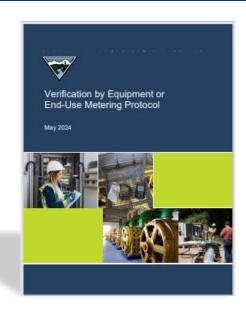


# **UES vs Custom**



- Standalone measures Pre-determined
   Savings & Incentives are on a per-unit basis.
- If eligible, UES is required instead of custom project.
- Streamlined to be quick and easy.
- BEETS bulk upload.





- Site specific savings.
- Work with BPA Customer Service Engineer or Energy Smart Industrial Partner (ESIP).
- May require energy audit and/or billing analysis.
- Entered in BEETS by CSE or ESIP.

# **Commercial vs Industrial**

- Office, retail, and assembly.
- Grocery and food service.
- Hospital and healthcare.
- Jails and prisons.
- K-12 schools and higher education.
- Lodging, residential care, and dormitories.
- Institutional buildings (i.e., government, fire station, municipal library, etc.).
- Warehouses (except manufacturing and refrigerated process loads).







- Manufacturing plants.
- Municipal utility services water supply and wastewater treatment.
- Wood and paper products industry.
- Food processing.
- Chemical processing.
- Data centers and some telecom facilities.
- Mining.
- Transportation and rail infrastructure.
- District Heating & Cooling systems.

#### **CONTACT YOUR CSE!**

**CONTACT YOUR ESIP!** 

# **General Requirements**

- No fuel switching, exception for major renovation projects with new all-electric baseline.
- Limited to one sector per project.
- Cost-effectiveness screen benefit/cost (B/C) ratio.
- None if  $\leq$  200,000 kWh ( $\leq$  800,000 kWh for Utility Distribution).
- B/C ratio must be ≥ 0.50 if > 200,000 kWh (> 800,000 kWh for Utility Distribution).
- Provide incremental or total cost documentation.





# **Custom Process**

- 1. Identify the project.
- 2. Contact your Customer Service Engineer (CSE) with details.

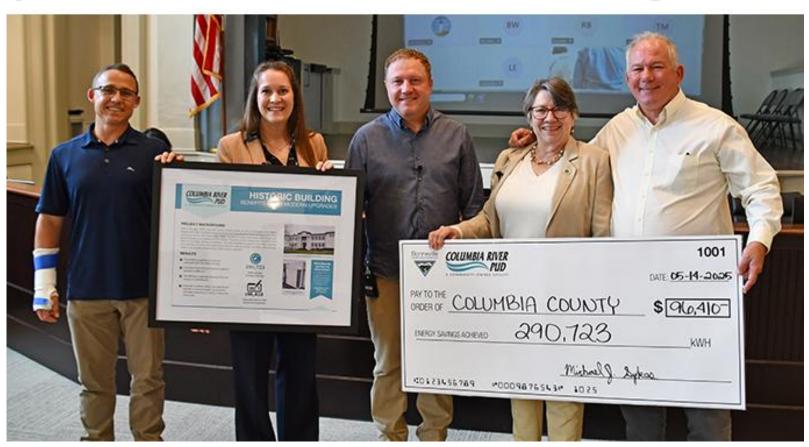
  May conduct energy audit, metering, and bill analysis.
- 3. Obtain project cost documentation.
- 4. End-user determines if the project moves forward and CSE enters project proposal in BEETS.
- 5. Implement the project.
- 6. CSE enters completion report in BEETS.May include metering, billing analysis, and modeling of savings.
- 7. BEETS workflow: Utility and BPA reviews and approval.
- 8. Submit invoice.





### **Custom Project Success Story**

### Energy efficiency upgrades breathe new life into 106year-old historic St. Helens building



BPA awarded CRPUD \$96,410 Energy Efficiency incentive payment for the John Gumm Building Renovation project

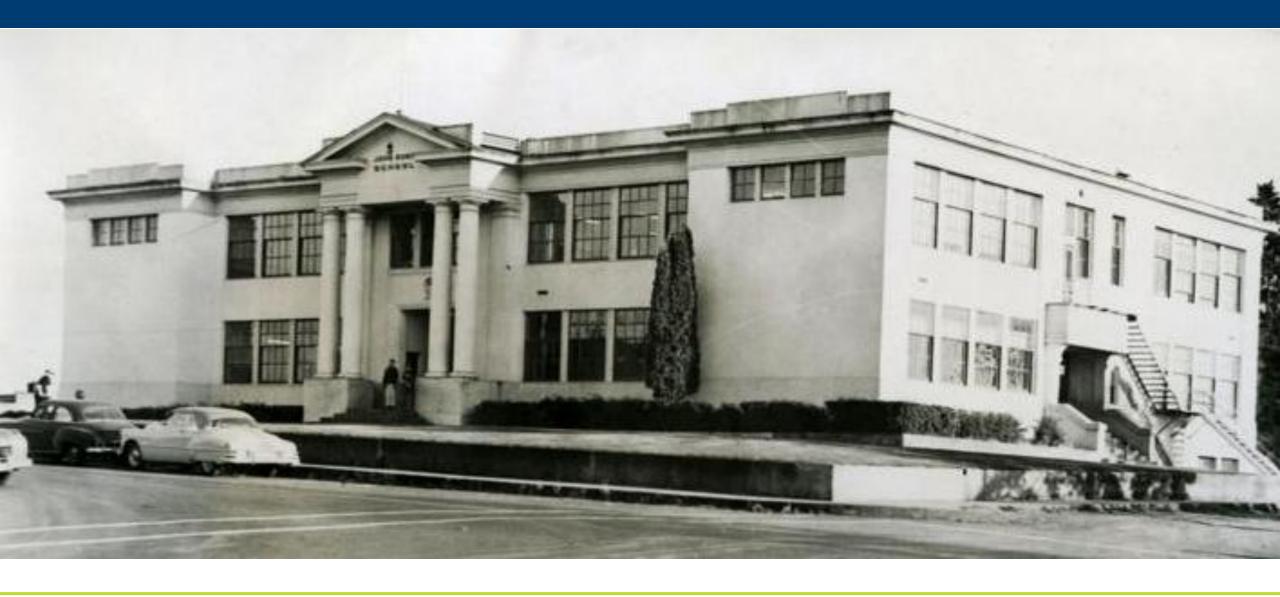
From left to right:

Mike Arend, CRPUD Energy Services

Columbia County Commissioners: Kellie Jo Smith, Casey Garrett, and Margaret Magruder

Michael Sykes, CRPUD GM

### **Major Historic Renovation**



### **Major Historic Renovation**



### HISTORIC BUILDING

BENEFITS FROM MODERN UPGRADES

#### PROJECT BACKGROUND

Built in the early 1900's, the John Gumm building served as the schoolhouse in St. Helens, Oregon until 1999. Columbia County purchased and remodeled the treasured historical building now known as the John Gumm Civic Office. As part of a larger multi-phase effort to enhance the functionality and capacity of their facilities, Columbia County worked with Columbia River PUD to find energy efficiency incentives. The utility identified a variety of attainable upgrades and incentives including high performance windows, lighting retrofits, insulation, heat recovery system, and variable refrigerant flow HVAC system upgrades.

#### RESULTS

- The building upgrades will save an estimated 266,582 kWhs annually.
- O Columbia River PUD provided an incentive payment of \$96,410.
- The efficiency upgrades will save time and money on maintenance.
- Improved workflow, safety, and operational flexibility to accommodate future growth, ultimately improving our ability to serve the community.



kWh Annual **Energy Savings** 



Columbia River PUD **Incentive Payment** 





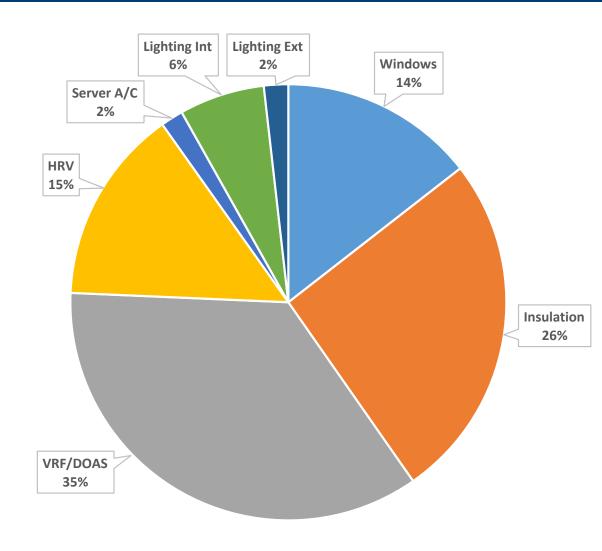
What ideas do you have to save money? nultiple energy efficiency Columbia River PUD

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Built in 1919 listed in the National Register of Historic Places.
- 30,000 square feet (SF), two-stories with basement.
- \$13.9 Million renovation cost.
- Ameresco Energy Services Co.
- Emerick Architects.
- Bremik Construction.
- Chosen Wood Windows.

### **Energy Savings Summary**

ENERGY SAVINGS	SITE	BUSBAR	INCENTIVE
EEM-1 Windows	38,578	42,072	\$ 16,828.66
EEM-2 Wall & Attic Insulation	68,856	75,092	\$ 30,036.77
<b>EEM-3</b> VRF with DOAS	94,333	102,876	\$ 31,891.44
EEM-4 HRV	38,672	42,174	\$ 13,074.06
<b>EEM-5</b> Server room A/C	4,448	4,851	\$ 1,503.77
<b>EEM-6a</b> Lighting Interior	16,895	18,425	\$ 2,395.25
<b>EEM-6b</b> Lighting Exterior	4,800	5,235	\$ 680.51
TOTAL = 46.7% Reduction	266,582	290,724	\$ 96,410.46



### Window Secondary Glazing Units

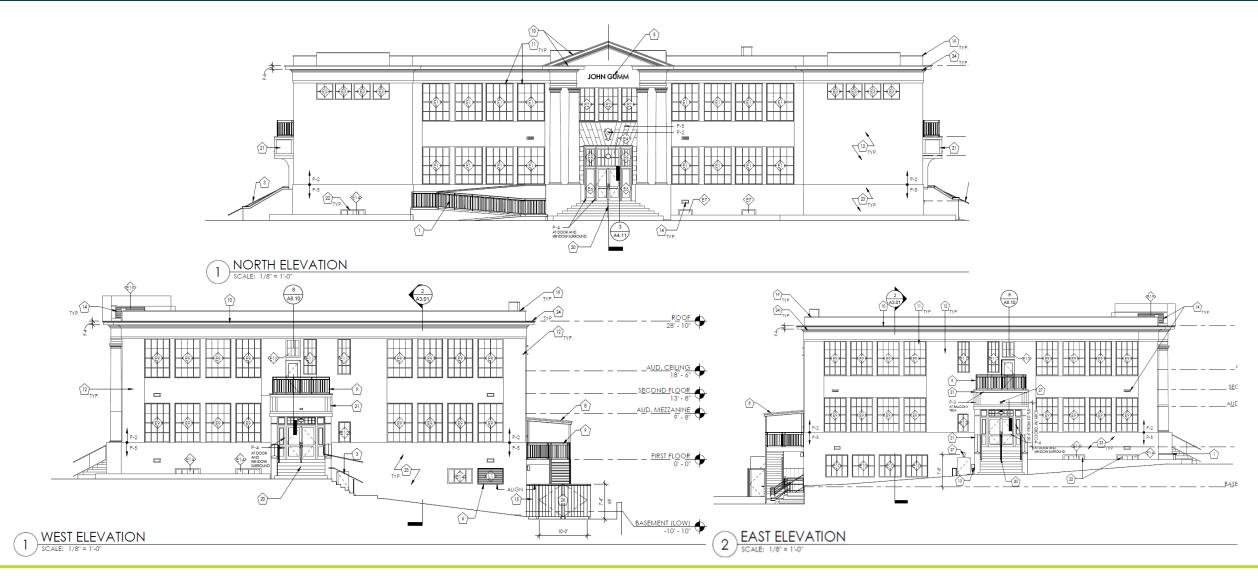




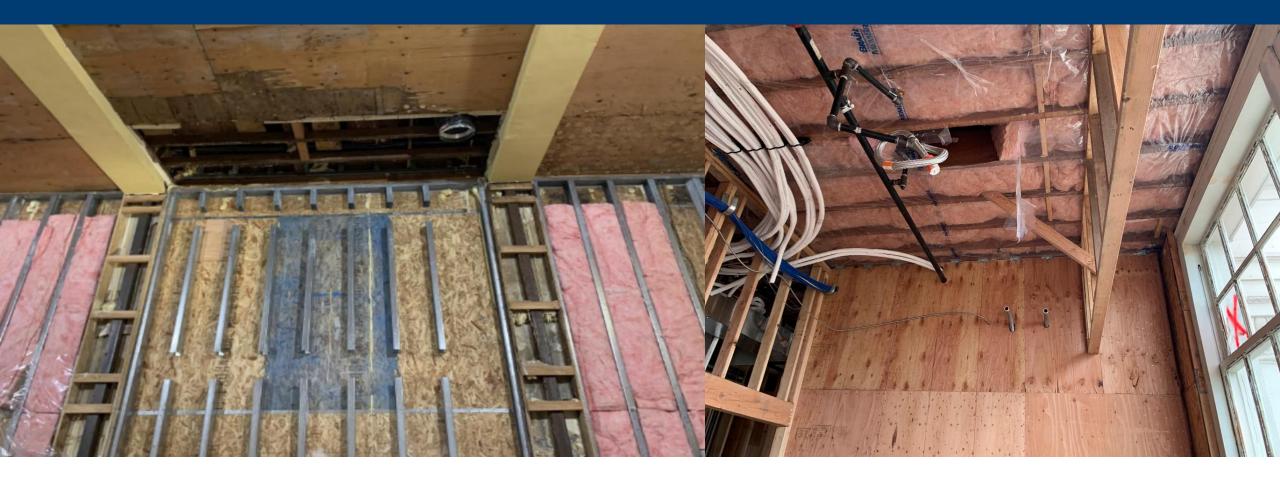
- Existing single-pane wood windows U-Value = 1.0.
- New Interior Secondary Glazing Units U-Value = 0.19, SHGC = 0.26.
- Interior Secondary Glazing units = 2,576 SF.



### Window Secondary Glazing Units



### **Insulation Upgrades**



- Wall insulation upgraded from existing R-2.5 to R-15.6.
- Attic insulation upgraded from existing R-10 to R-49.
- Floor joist insulation upgraded from existing R-3.5 to R-30.

### Variable Refrigerant Flow HVAC







- (Two each) 12-ton outdoor Variable Refrigerant Flow (VRF) units with heat recovery.
- (24 each) ducted indoor VRF fan-coil units.
- (Five each) ductless indoor VRF ceiling cassette units.

### **DOAS** with Heat Recovery Ventilator

#### Dedicated Outdoor Air System (DOAS)

 4,400 cfm unit with 64.1% sensible recovery effectiveness.





### Server Room A/C





- One-ton ductless heat pump (cooling only) with SEER 22.
- Code required SEER 13.

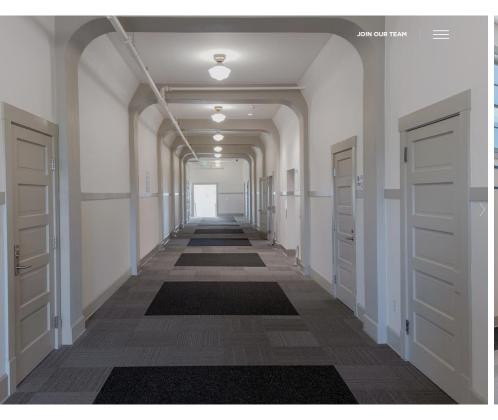
### **Interior LED Lighting**





- Code Allowable Lighting Power Density = 0.64 watts/ft2.
- Proposed Lighting Power Density = 0.43 watts/ft2 33% BETTER THAN CODE.

### **Interior LED Lighting**

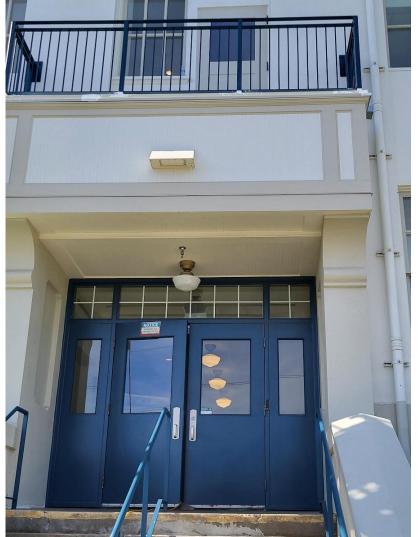




### **Exterior LED Lighting**

- Code Allowable Lighting Power= 1,756 watts.
- ProposedLighting Power= 767 watts.
- 56% BETTER THAN CODE.







### Phase 2 - Solar PV and Battery Storage

### OREGON DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY GRANT PROGRAM SUPPORTS RENEWABLE ENERGY AND ENERGY RESILIENCE DEVELOPMENT ACROSS THE STATE

Columbia County | Construction Resilience | \$992,116

Construction of a net-metered 32kW PV solar system with 125kW battery storage and backup power circuitry for county operations in the John Gumm building.

This project is part of a larger multi-phase effort by Columbia County to modernize its facilities. Future plans include the addition of rooftop solar panels and battery storage, reinforcing Columbia County's dedication to sustainability and climate resilience.

### **Questions and Discussion**





## **Energy Smart Industrial Projects Spotlight Jeff Bernacki, ESIP**

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#### **Overview**

#### **Project Spotlights**

- Review the project details.
- Highlight the energy savings.
- Discuss Lessons Learned for future projects/opportunities.

#### #1 – Superior Steel Fabrication

2 x VFD Air Compressor Upgrade.

#### #2 - Rosboro Lumber Springfield

Wood Chipper Decommissioning.

#### #3 – Grain Millers

Spiral Valve Compressor Upgrade.

#### #4 – City of Ashland Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP)

UV Disinfection System Upgrade.

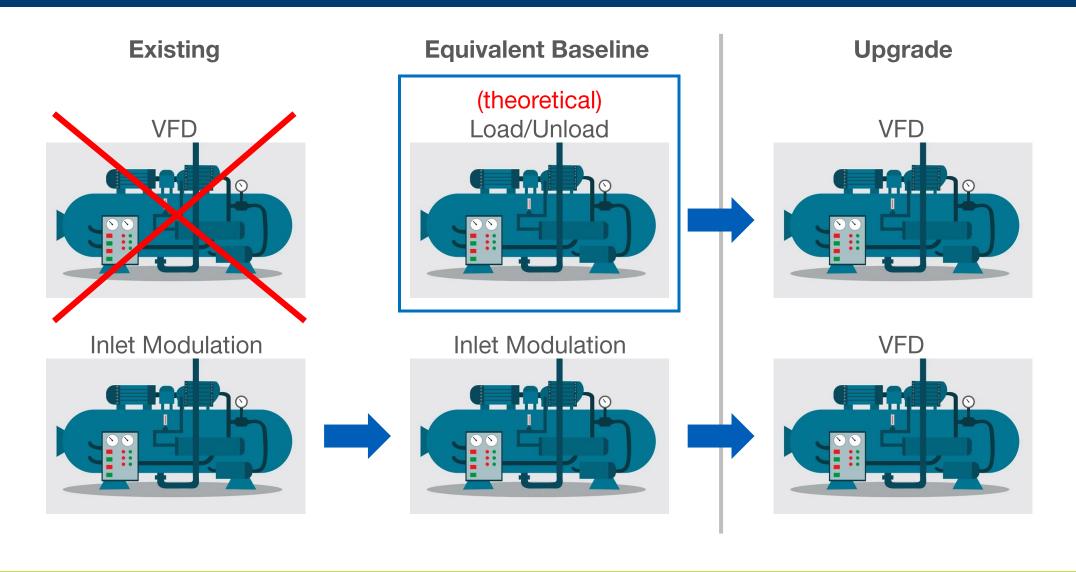




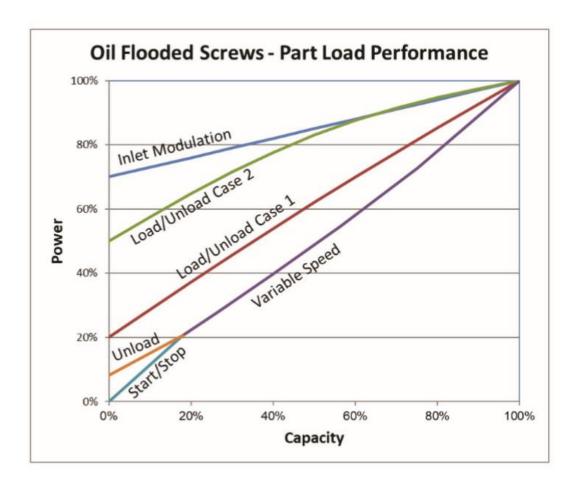












#### **Advantage of Load/Unload Control**

- These compressors are more efficient at part-load.
  - See Power graph on the left.

#### **Efficiency Standpoint**

 It makes sense to choose Load/Unload as the theoretical baseline.

Energy Savings = <u>262,861 kWh</u>





#### **Disadvantage of Load/Unload Control**

- These compressors need sufficient air receiver tanks.
  - The site did <u>not</u> have enough air storage.

#### **Practical Standpoint**

• It does <u>not</u> make sense to choose Load/Unload as the theoretical baseline.

Energy Savings = <del>262,861 kWl></del>





Energy Savings (Unreasonable Baseline) = 262,861 kWh

Energy Savings (New Baseline) = 830,185 kWh

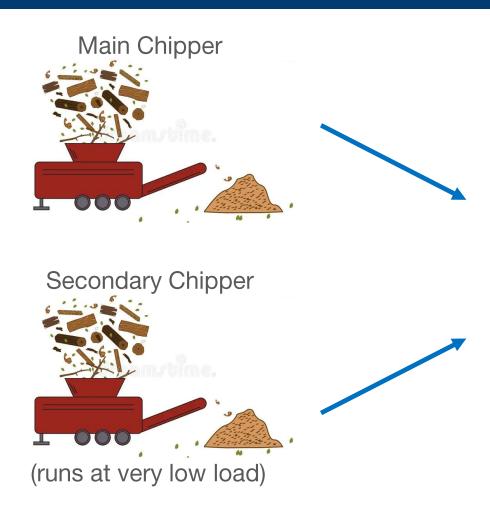
#### **LESSONS LEARNED**

- Major Renovation projects have complexity in defining a theoretical baseline.
- Choosing the correct baseline can have a significant impact in energy savings.
- Inlet modulation produced <u>216%</u> more savings.
  - More accurate based on what the site would have done.



### #2: Rosboro Lumber - Chipper Decommissioning













### #2: Rosboro Lumber – Chipper Decommissioning



ESI worked with the site's electrician to install data loggers on the chippers and analyze power data

Baseline Power (2 x Chippers) = 144 kW Upgrade Power (1 x Chipper) = 90 kW

Energy Savings = 109,016 kWh

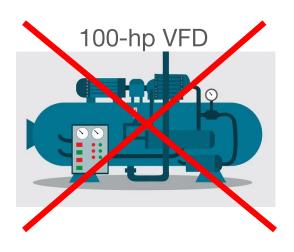
#### **LESSONS LEARNED**

- ESI is willing and able to come on site and set up data loggers on equipment of interest.
- Energy efficiency can come in the form of removing equipment without adding anything new.
- The site will save \$7,600/yr by removing the old chipper.

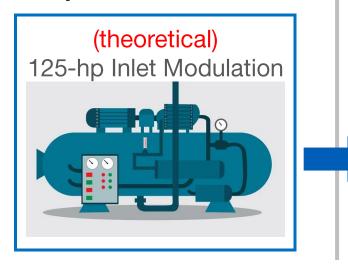


### #3: Grain Millers - Spiral Valve Compressor

#### **Existing**

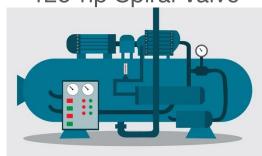


#### **Equivalent Baseline**



#### **Upgrade**

125-hp Spiral Valve

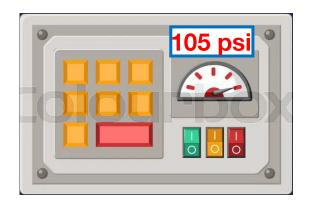


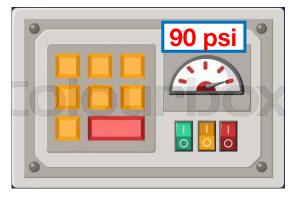
- Previously existing VFD compressor failed, not worth repairing.
- Site chose spiral valve compressor, as it is better in harsh environments.
- Vendor specified inlet modulation as the baseline compressor.





### #3: Grain Millers – Spiral Valve Compressor





#### **Energy Savings**

12,546 kWh 76,895 kWh

#### **LESSONS LEARNED**

- ESI's influence helped the site reduce its discharge pressure and save more energy.
- The site will save an additional \$4,500/yr by reducing unnecessary pressure.

#### Lower discharge pressure means lower power:

1% power per 2 psi for screw compressors

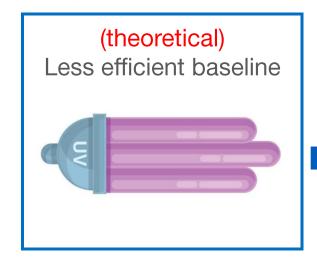


### #4: Ashland WWTP - UV Disinfection System

#### **Existing**



#### **Equivalent Baseline**



#### **Upgrade**

More efficient upgrade





- Previously existing UV system was at end of life, needed more capacity → Major Renovation.
- Less efficient, less expensive UV system option used as theoretical baseline.
- More efficient UV system was purchased, incremental cost above baseline is eligible.



### #4: Ashland WWTP - UV Disinfection System

UV lamps (up close)





Baseline UV System Power = 45.5 kW Upgrade UV System Power = 11.8 kW

Energy Savings = 362,222 kWh

#### **LESSONS LEARNED**

- Wastewater Treatment Plants (WWTPs) have excellent opportunities for energy efficiency.
- New construction almost always has opportunities for energy savings, using incremental cost.
- The site will save \$25,000/yr by operating the more efficient UV system over the equivalent baseline.

ESI worked with the site's electrician to install data loggers on the UV system and analyze power data



### **Questions?**



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**Questions or Comments?** 

### Time for a break!



### **Utility Roundtable Share Out**

What's on your mind? Please share or ask anything you like.

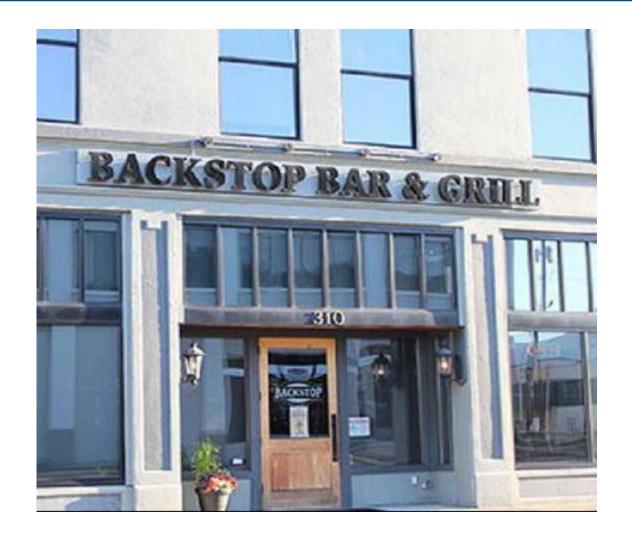
- Recent successes?
- Concerns/challenges now or in the future?
- Future opportunities or areas to improve?
- What are you excited about?

### **Utility Roundtable Share Out**

- Lessons learned from end of rate period?
- What do you wish you knew?
- Additional support you may need from BPA?

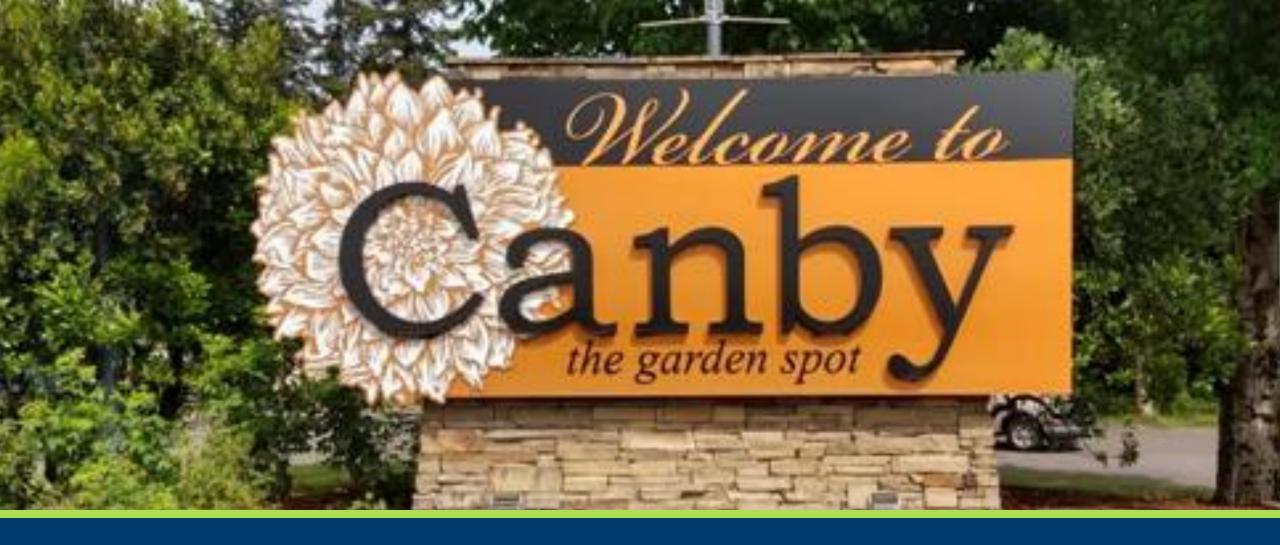
### **After Hours Networking**

- No-host dinner and networking at Backstop Bar & Grill at 5:30 p.m.
- Located one mile away from our meeting at 211 N Grant St, Canby, OR 97013.



# Adjourn!





# Oregon Utility Roundtables 2025 Welcome to Day 2!

Oct. 15-16, 2025





## Residential and Income Qualified Sector UTILITY ROUNDTABLES 2025

Oct. 15-16, 2025



#### Agenda

- Residential Sector Updates:
  - Residential Accomplishments.
  - Rate Period IM Updates.
  - CRH Updates.
  - Residential Pipeline.
- Income Qualified Updates.
- Discussion.



# **Residential Accomplishments**

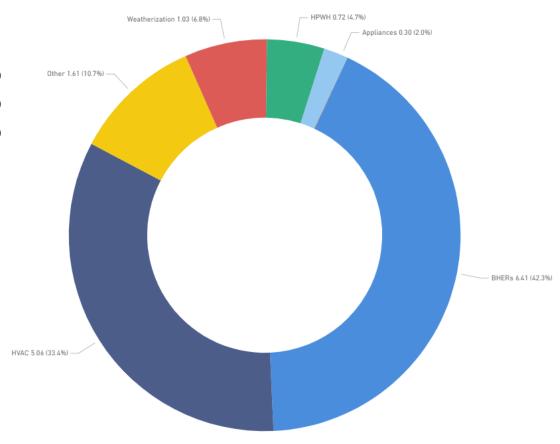
	Savings (aMW)			Reimbursement		
	BP22	BP24	% Change	BP22	BP24	% Change
Total Residential	17.63	15.14	-14.1%	\$61,254,291	\$73,919,012	20.7%
EEI Only	17.41	14.29	-17.9%	\$50,072,291	\$60,405,896	20.6%
DFD	0.01	0.29	2800.0%	<i>\$75,4</i> 86	<i>\$2,787,602</i>	3592.9%
Low Income	0.87	1.98	<b>128.2</b> %	\$22,699,020	\$47,573,891	<b>109.6</b> %
EEI Only	0.65	1.33	104.6%	<i>\$11,577,45</i> 6	\$34,695,062	<i>199.7</i> %
DFD	0.0041	0.09	2086.5%	\$15,050	\$2,153,315	14207.7%

#### Residential Accomplishments continued

#### **Total Residential Savings FY 2024-2025**

•	Behavioral Home Energy Report (HER)	= 42.3%
•	Heating, ventilation, air conditioning (HVAC)	= 33.4%
•	Other*	= 10.7%
•	Weatherization	= 6.8%
•	Heat Pump Water Heaters (HPWH)	= 4.7%
•	Appliances	= 2.0%

<sup>\*</sup>Other includes electric vehicles (EV) chargers, thermostats, new construction, and custom projects.



#### Rate Period IM Updates

- Installed Cost requirement.
- By Request Distribution Channel removal.
- Energy Savings & Incentive Payments.
- Multifamily New Construction Qualified Programs List (QPL) update\* (coming soon).
- Unitary HPWHs

   New Construction.
- Prime Window and Patio Door Replacement.
- Residential Custom Projects.



#### Webinar on Reporting Residential Costs in BEETS

Webinar hosted on Oct. 2 covering guidance on reporting cost data and eligibility of income qualified repair costs will be posted on the BPA Energy Efficiency's Presentation and Webinars homepage soon.



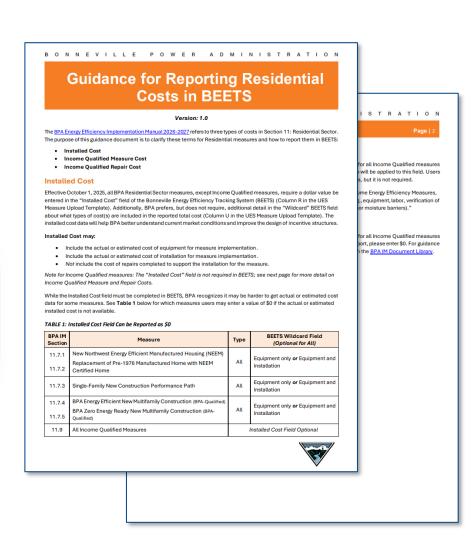
#### **New Guidance Document: Reporting Costs in BEETS**

# Posted in the **BPA Document Library** under "Residential"

Residential Sector

• Guidance for Reporting Residential Costs in BEETS

(https://www.bpa.gov/energy-andservices/efficiency/document-library)



#### By Request Distribution Channel

- Removed "By Request" Measure Distribution Channel.
  - 11.3.1 ENERGY STAR Level 2 Networked Electric Vehicle Chargers.
  - 11.4.1 Thermostatic Shut-Off Valves (TSV).
  - 11.6.3 Advanced Smart Thermostats.
  - 11.8.7 Door Sweeps.



# **Energy Savings and Incentive Payments**

Measure#	Measure Name	Previous Payments	New Payments
11.2.1	Clothes Washers	\$25-\$100/unit	\$36-\$125/unit
11.4.2	Unitary Heat Pump Water Heater – 40 gallon (BPA-Qualified)	\$700/unit	\$1400/unit
11.4.3	Unitary Heat Pump Water Heater – 50 gallon (BPA-Qualified)	\$800-\$900/unit	\$1600-\$1800/unit
11.4.4	Split-System Heat Pump Water Heater	\$1100/unit	\$2200/unit
11.5.1	Ductless and Ducted Mini-Split Heat Pumps	\$800/unit	\$920/unit
11.5.2	Air-Source Heat Pump Conversion from Electric Forced-Air Furnace to Air-Source Heat Pump	\$1000/unit	\$1250/unit
11.5.3	Air-Source Heat Pump Conversion from Electric Forced-Air Furnace to Variable-Speed Air-Source Heat Pump	\$1200/unit	\$1560/unit
11.5.4	Variable-Speed Air-Source Heat Pump Upgrade	\$200/unit	\$600/unit
11.8.2	Prime Window and Patio Door Replacement	\$6-\$16/sf	\$8-\$20/sf

# **Energy Savings and Incentive Payments**

Measure#	Measure Name	Previous Busbar Savings	New Busbar Savings
11.2.1	Clothes Dryers	191.13 kWh – 517.09 kWh	253.03 kWh - 569.29 kWh
11.4.3	Unitary Heat Pump Water Heater – 50 gallon (BPA-Qualified)	1470.72 kWh – 1856.62 kWh	1528.92 kWh – 2063.51 kWh
11.5.1	Ductless and Ducted Mini-Split Heat Pumps	953.83 kWh – 3251.30 kWh	545.28 kWh - 3248.14 kWh
11.5.9	Duct Insulation	1.53 kWh – 1.58 kWh	2.46 kWh - 3.53kWh
11.6.2	Communicating Line Voltage Thermostats	80.00 kWh	79.52 kWh - 80.43 kWh
11.8.1	Insulation (Including Exterior Insulated Doors)	0.06 kWh – 4.54 kWh	0.06 kWh - 4.07 kWh
11.8.2	Prime Window and Patio Door Replacement	7.72 kWh – 18.16 kWh	8.00 kWh - 23.4 kWh
11.8.3	Low-E Storm Windows	6.94 kWh – 16.29 kWh	8.42 kWh – 21.48 kWh
11.8.5	Air Sealing	0.26 kWh – 0.27 kWh	0.37 kWh

#### Multifamily New Construction QPL Update

- Updated Qualified Programs List.
  - 11.7.4 BPA Energy Efficient New Multifamily Construction (BPA-Qualified).
  - 11.7.5 BPA Zero Energy Ready New Multifamily Construction (BPA-Qualified).
- Based on updated analysis on state codes and voluntary new construction certification program requirements.
- New Approach to "locking-in" qualified program.
  - Building Construction Permit Date.

#### **Unitary Heat Pump Water Heaters – New Construction**

- HPWH in new construction now <u>allowed</u> in Montana, Wyoming, Idaho, California, Utah, and Nevada.
  - 11.4.2 Unitary Heat Pump Water Heater 40 gallon (BPA-Qualified).
  - 11.4.3 Unitary Heat Pump Water Heater 50 gallon (BPA-Qualified).
- Not available in Oregon or Washington.



#### **Prime Window and Patio Door Replacement**

- Removes Double-Pane Pre-condition "metal frame only."
  - 11.8.2 Prime Window and Patio Door Replacement.

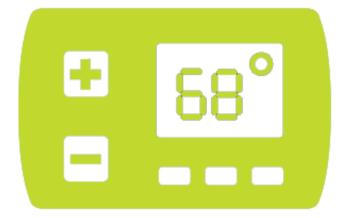


#### **Residential Custom Projects**

- BPA does not develop energy savings estimates for new multifamily construction custom projects that address multiple end uses or whole building measures.
- BPA may develop energy savings estimates for custom projects that address a single targeted end use, (e.g., central heat pump water heaters).
- For the whole-building analyses, customers may either leverage the UES
  measure BPA Energy Efficient New Multifamily Construction or develop and submit a
  custom project per Section 4 of the Implementation Manual using their own
  resources.

#### **Residential Pipeline**

- High-Performance High-Capacity Heat Pump Research.
- Room Heat Pumps.
- Cold Climate Heat Pumps.
- Combination (Combi) Systems.
- Central Heat Pump Water Heaters.
- Low Profile (Low Boy) Heat Pump Water Heaters.
- Heat Recovery Ventilation (HRV).
- Behavioral Home Energy Reports (alternative approaches).





**Questions or Comments?** 

# Income Qualified Offerings



#### **Income Qualified Updates**

- Snapshot of increased uptake.
- Name change is official.
- Income qualifying multifamily units.
- Workgroup.
- Income qualified repair cost reference table.
- Updated resources.



#### **Increased Uptake!**

FY 2024 had the highest number of utilities that have claimed Low Income measures within the last three rate periods!

Fiscal Year	# of Utilities
FY 2018	46
FY 2019	42
FY 2020	37
FY 2021	39
FY 2022	37
FY 2023	42
FY 2024	50
On Average:	42

#### **Increased Uptake!**

- 230% increase in funding from FY22 to FY24.
- 124% increase in savings from FY22 to FY24.



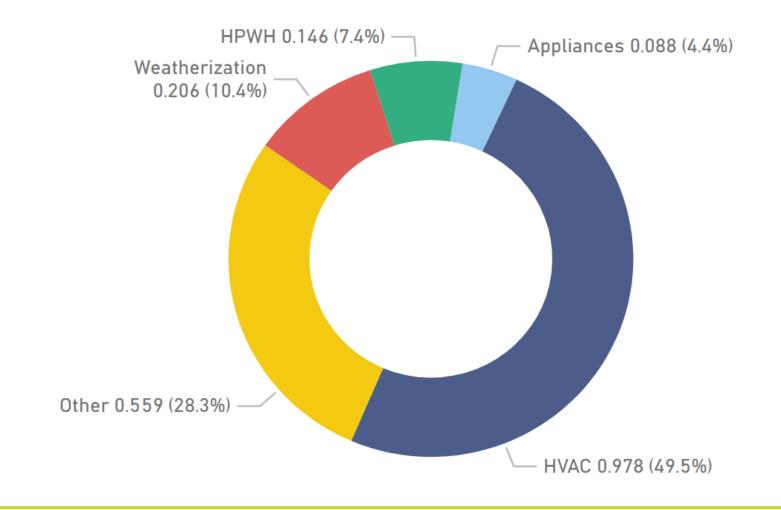
Most Popular measures: Heat Pumps, Insulation, and Appliances.

#### So far in FY25:

- Over 3,000 washers and dryers installed, more than double than FY24.
- Over 1.7 million sq feet of insulation installed, which is 26 football fields worth!
- Over 1,500 ductless heat pumps, nearly 600 ducted heat pumps, and 43 packaged terminal heat pumps installed.

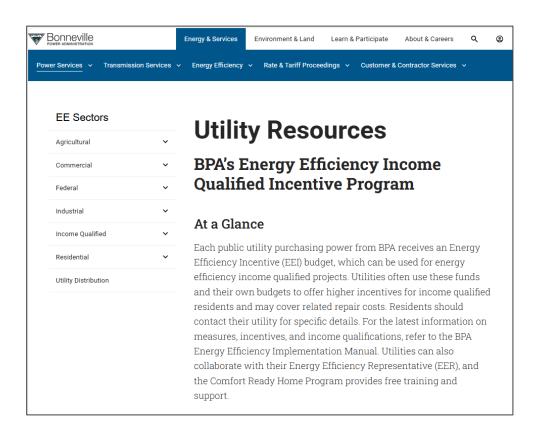
#### **Income Qualified Successes!**

Low-Income Residential Savings - aMW



#### Name Change is Implemented!

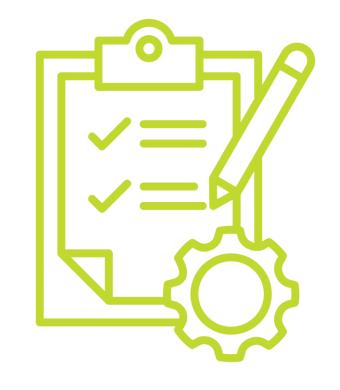
Program name is officially changed from "Low Income **Energy Efficiency**" to "Energy Efficiency Income Qualified (EEIQ)." Some website links have changed as a result.



https://www.bpa.gov/energy-and-services/efficiency/eesectors/energy-efficiency-income-qualified

#### Low Income Qualification Clarification

"Household eligibility is based on gross income and is defined in the Federal Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) as 200 percent of the poverty income levels. Alternatively, approved statewide or tribal eligibility definitions may substitute for federally established income qualified levels, if available."



# **Income Qualifying Multifamily**

Clarification added in the IM that you can income qualify and serve a single multifamily unit without having to serve and income qualify the entire building.

- Clarifying an existing policy.
- If needing to serve the whole building, utilities can still income qualify at least 50% of the units.



#### Highlighted Changes Effective Oct. 1

- Requiring two fields when entering projects in BEETS.
- Disallowing cost coverage of full roof replacements.
- Implementing new policy for repair cost coverage.
  - For an income qualified project with a measure cost of \$1,000 or higher, related repair costs will be capped at 300% of the reported income qualified measure cost.



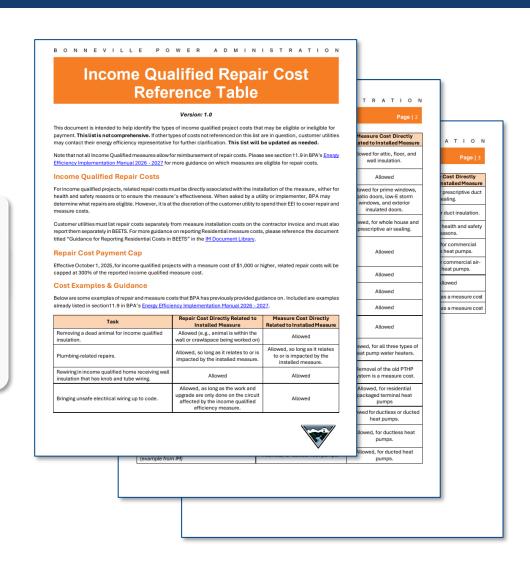
#### **New Reference Document: IQ Repair Costs**

Posted in the **BPA Document Library** under "Residential".

#### Income Qualified

- Income Qualified Project Information Form + Income Verification (Optional Customizable Word Document)
- Income Qualified Project Information Form + Income Verification (Optional Fillable PDF)
- Income Qualified Eligibility Form (Optional)
- Repair Cost Reference Table

(https://www.bpa.gov/energy-andservices/efficiency/document-library)



#### Recorded Webinar: Repair Cost Reference Table

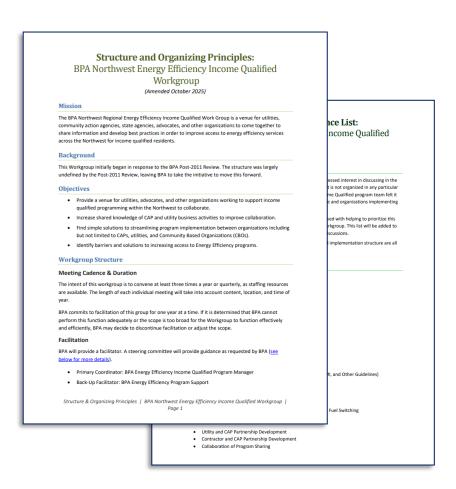
- Hosted webinar on October 2, 2025 covered:
- IQ measure cost vs. install cost.
- Reporting IQ measure and repair costs.
- Repair cost cap policy.
- Eligibility of tasks as repairs vs. install costs.
- Nuances of repair costs.
- Presentation slides and webinar to be posted in the <u>EE Presentations and Webinars</u>.



#### **Energy Efficiency Income Qualified Regional Workgroup**

#### Last meeting held Oct. 6, 2025.

- Winter meeting date to be determined.
- Hosted three times a year.
- Presentations and facilitated discussions.
- Selected Steering Committee.
- Posted on <u>Income Qualified Page</u>.
  - Agendas and Resources from Previous Meetings
  - Workgroup Charter.
  - Discussion Topic Reference List.
  - Resources from previous meetings.



Click on each page to access the documents online

#### Recorded Webinar: Starting an EEIQ Program

#### Recorded webinar from July 17, 2025 covering:

- Basics of starting an EEIQ Program.
- Available measures and documentation.
- Claiming repair costs.
- Outreach and coordination.
- Income qualification.
- Presentations from two utilities.



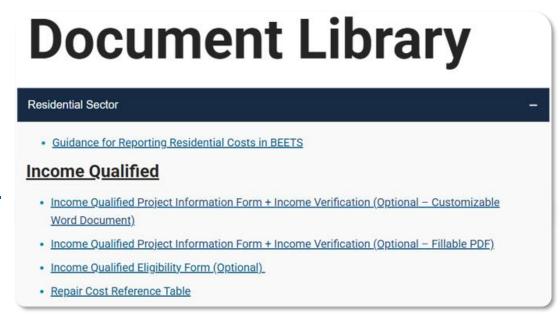
**EE Presentations and Webinars** 

**Presentation Slides** 

Recorded Webinar

#### **Updated Income Qualified Program Resources**

- BPA Energy Efficiency Income Qualified Homepage.
- Income Qualified Optional Form and Income Verification Template (customizable).
- Income Qualified Repair Cost Reference Table.
- Coming Soon:
  - Updated Income Qualified Quick Start Guide.
  - Tribal Grant Application and Supporting Materials.





**Questions or Comments?** 

#### Thank you!

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# Central Electric Cooperative

# Income Qualified Program

October 10, 2025



#### Program Offerings

- Ductless Heat Pumps (DHPs).
- Heat Pumps/Duct Sealing.
- Insulation/Air Sealing.
- Unitary Heat Pump Water Heaters (HPWHs).
- Clothes Washer and Dryers.
- Windows.



#### How do Members Sign Up

- Option 1: CEC calls member who has received Energy Assistance Program (EAP).
- Option 2: Member calls CEC (aka high bills).
- Option 3: Referral from Community Action Program (CAP) Agency or HVAC Contractor.





# Obstacles

- Limited contractor network.
- Increased cost per home.
- Administration burden.





#### Results

2022

- Total Homes Upgraded:
  - > Approximately 30.
- Average Cost Per Home:
  - **>** \$7,723.
- Energy Savings per Home:
  - > 2,860 kWh.

2023

- Total Homes Upgraded:
  - Approximately 49.
- Average Cost Per Home:
  - **>** \$9,263.
- Energy Savings per Home:
  - > 3,184 kWh.

2024

- Total Homes Upgraded:
  - Approximately 55.
- Average Cost Per Home:
  - **>** \$15,994.
- Energy Savings per Home:
  - > 4,791 kWh.



## Plans for the Future

• Split heat pump water heaters:

Whole house air sealing:







## Questions?





## Time for a break!





## **Energy Efficiency Marketing Team UTILITY ROUNDTABLES 2025**

Oct. 15-16, 2025



## **Meet the Marketing Team**



Mike Gross
Marketing Lead



Rachael Ettelman
Marketing
Specialist



Maggie Bagan Marketing Specialist



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Robin Moodie

Marketing

Specialist

## Skillset and Services

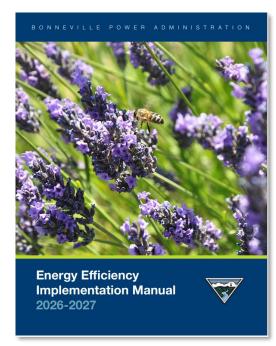


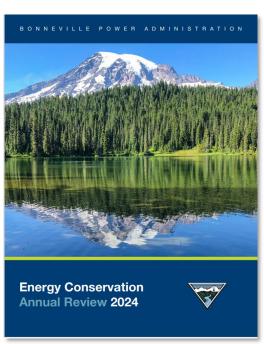
## **Collective Skills**

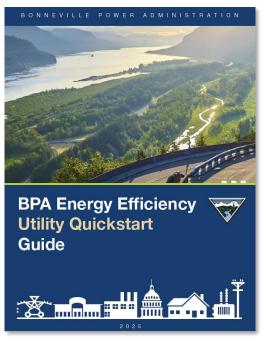
Graphic Design **Production Design** Technical, Public Relations, Copywriting, and Editing Presentations Instructional and Social Media Videos </>> Web Design **O** Marketing Strategy and Planning

## **Marketing Team Publications**

- Energy Efficiency Implementation Manual.
- Energy Conservation Annual Review.
- Energy Efficiency Action Plan.
- Energy Efficiency Utility Quickstart Guide.







## Services

### **Marketing and Design**

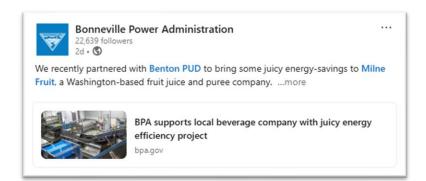
- Photos and graphic design production for images, logos, and icons.
- Marketing materials customization:
  - Custom fillable forms,
  - Social media content,
  - Flyers, or
  - Bill stuffers/post cards.
- Recommendations and support for marketing projects and campaigns.



## Services

#### **Press Kits:**

- Press releases,
- Articles,
- Case studies,
- Project success posters, and
- Social media posts.





### HISTORIC BUILDING

BENEFITS FROM MODERN UPGRADES

#### PROJECT BACKGROUND

← Back to Newsroom

**Energy efficiency upgrades** breathe new life into 106-year-old historic St. Helens building



\$96,410 incentive payment.

BPA Energy Efficiency teamed up with Columbia County and Columbia River PUD to revitalize a historic building with modern energy-saving upgrades.

building served as the schoolhouse in St. Helens, sed and remodeled the treasured historical building As part of a larger multi-phase effort to enhance es, Columbia County worked with Columbia River e utility identified a variety of attainable upgrades vindows, lighting retrofits, insulation, heat recovery ystem upgrades.



kWh Annual

**Energy Savings** 



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Columbia River PUD **Incentive Payment** 



John Gumm building exterior with new windows

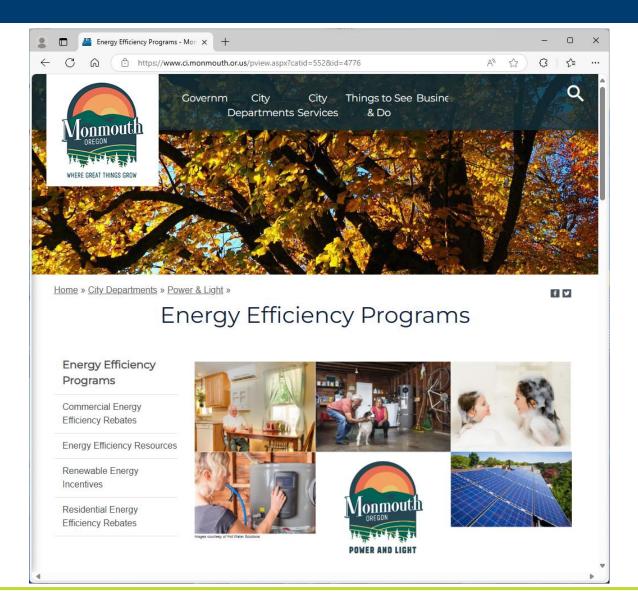


What ideas do you have to save money?

## **New Services**

#### **Website Recommendations**

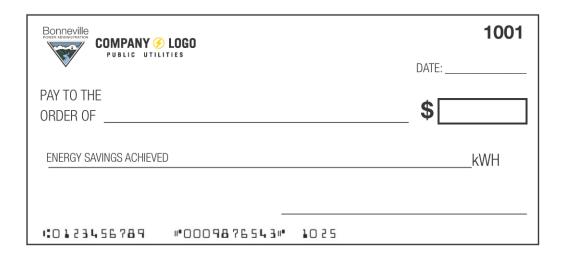
- Review existing website and make recommendations.
- Graphics production.
- Search engine optimization.
- Improve user experience.
- Increase program visibility.



## **New Services**

### **Big Check**

- · Laminated.
- Customized with logo.
- Re-usable with dry erase markers.
- Great for photo ops for case studies, articles, etc.





## **Updated Templates: Flyers**



water, ratines, uniformity, decrease the amount of fertilizer required, or potentially even increase crop quality and yield. Your utility offers services and incentives to their members for eligible energy-efficiency measures.

Contact your local public utility to learn how you may be eligible for incentives to increase energy and water efficiency in the following areas:

#### New High-Efficiency Irrigation Pumps

Over time, some irrigation pumps may become worn out, leak water, and become less efficient. Or your old irrigation pump might not be a good match to your current irrigation system requirements. Installing a new more efficient pump will help restore your irrigation system to the best operating point and save energy. If you install a Variable Frequency Drive (VFD), you can save even more energy.

#### > Variable Frequency Drives

VFDs are designed to adjust your irrigation pump motor speed to match your changing irrigation (flow and pressure) requirements. The VFD controls the frequency of the electrical power supplied to your motor. Even small speed adjustments using a VFD can create big energy savings, often as much as 10 – 20 percent. You will also get greater precision and tighter control over water distribution and pressure, and help the pump match-flow requirements. A BPA spreadshet is used to estimate energy savings and apply for utility incentives.

#### > Irrigation Hardware Upgrades

New sprinklers, regulators, nozzles and gaskets, can reduce the pressure required at the pump, save water, improve water application uniformity, and save energy. As equipment wears out, making the switch to more energy-efficient hardware is one of the easiest ways for you to start saving water and power.

#### SA) and Mobile Drip (MDI)

ion application for all of your crops through the converting your center pivot that are closer to the ground. This greatly reduces water evaporation during ssure and energy necessary to irrigate your crop. MDI uses pressure controlled in the ground and eliminates evaporative water loss in the air and on the foliage, we adopted MDI with good results.

acreage uniformly. However, many fields are not uniform. Some terrain would nore water in other areas. ZVRI equipped pivots can control the irrigation down r and energy savings and improves yield and crop quality in many cases. Your tost sharing opportunities.

#### mp Testing

ting may identify opportunities to increase the efficiency of a pumping plant portunities may include lowpressure conversion for center pivots and laterals, d rebuilding or replacing pumps, and trimming pump impellers. A cost share is

#### tegies for Drought Resiliency

, LEPA, MDI

- ✓ Pump Test/System evaluation cost share incentives
- ✓ Drought tolerant crop varieties
- nps
- and wineries)

✓ No till drill
✓ Collaboration with NRCS EQIP

#### \*\*\*\*

lany processing applications et inneries—VFDs, and refrigeration are all ligible opportunities for utility incentives fith new cleaning technology, water sage can be reduced at the winery.

#### YOUR UTILITY CAN HELP!

Call your local utility today to learn more about Agricultural energy-efficiency and available incentives for energy-saving improvements and ways to improve drought resiliency.



Making the switch to a connected thermostat gives you more control over your building's HVAC system and can help you manage and reduce your energy consumption and costs.

Connected thermostats control the HVAC system in order to maintain zone temperatures via the internet. Connected thermostats provide internet access to alerts and monitoring, and control from a remote location.

Programming capabilities allow you to more accurately match HVAC operation with actual occupancy (for example, scheduling setback temperatures during evenings, holidays and breaks), while ensuring desired temperatures are maintained during occupied hours, thus minimizing energy usage.

COMPANY @ LOGO

YOUR UTILITY CAN HELP!
Call your local utility today to learn more about commercial energy-efficiency and available incentives for connected thermostats.

# Available Incentives \$150 for qualifying connected thermostat installastions \$50 Incentive per programming verification. The thermostat is eligible for up to four verification payments within two years of the

#### INCENTIVE REQUIREMENTS

#### n conditions\*:

it must replace an existing thermostat that is not web enabled.

#### n be electric or gas.

4/7 occupancy, or semi-conditioned spaces are not eligible. s only. Not eligible for an ARC payment.

#### on conditions:

rmostat:

n existing HVAC supply fan and serves a single zone.

sted on the Qualified Products List.

rmostat must be programmed as follows:

#### onnected to the internet.

are setback is used for unoccupied hours (heating and/or cooling, as applicable).

ule uses auto mode for unoccupied hours (e.g., during unoccupied hours or he fan will only run when there is a demand for heating or cooling).

luration set to three hours or less.

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pical project payback, includ ntives, is about 2-3 years.



#### INCENTIVES

We offer incentives for qualifying connected thermostat installations, and per programming verification. The thermostat is eligible for up to four verification navments within two years of

#### TY CAN HELP!

ility today to learn more rcial energy-efficiency



and available incentives for connected thermostats.

## **Updated Templates: Postcards, Bill Stuffers**



## **Updated Templates: Social Media Posts**





**Questions or Comments?** 



## UTILITY ROUNDTABLES 2025 Utility Distribution Sector

Oct. 15-16, 2025



## **Utility Distribution Strategic Priorities**



### **Utility Distribution**

Increase communication with <u>utility management</u> to promote the value of Utility Distribution measures.

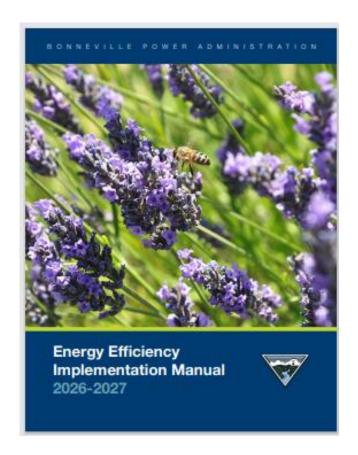
#### **2026-2027 Priorities**

- Continue to encourage Re-conductor and Transformer Measures.
- Renew Marketing for Conservation Voltage Reduction (CVR) projects.
- Re-Introduce Daily Demand Voltage Reduction (D-DVR).

## Implementation Manual – Section 12 What Measures are in this Sector?

### Two main groups: FY 2026+

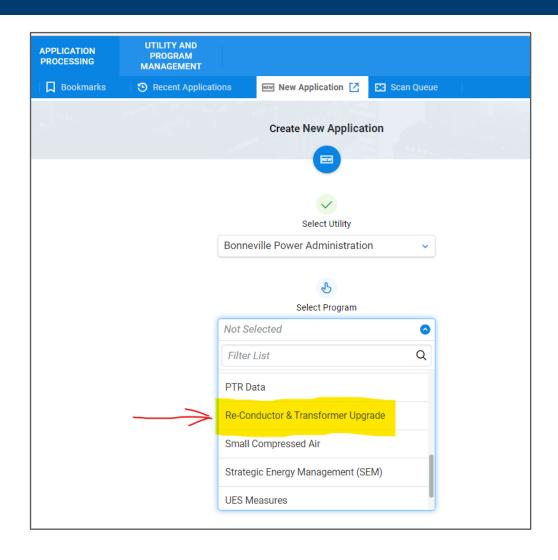
- 1. Re-conductor and Transformers (35-year measure): **\$0.38/kWh.** 
  - Several other measures: voltage increase, power factor correction, etc., but they are infrequently submitted/reported.
- 2. Conservation Voltage Reduction (CVR) / Voltage Optimization (VO) (10-year measure life): \$0.33/kWh incentive.



## Reconductor-Transformer (RT) Calculator: Program in BEETS

#### What is it?

- New streamlined process for these two measures, an alternative to custom project submittal.
- Project support document files can be attached to the calculator (all in one file).
- More automated data entry fields.
- Can handle up to six transformer and six reconductor measures in one file.



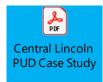
## Reconductor Measures Can Also Be Custom Projects

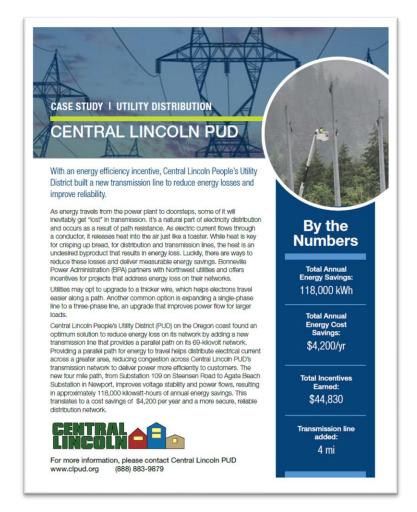
- When a reconductor project gets complicated.
- It can-not be addressed via RT-file.
- We leverage Load-Flow models executed by utility engineers or consultants.
- Outputs from the model (Peak kW Loss) are used to calculate Energy Savings.
- Tony Koch prepares the Custom Project details and enters into BEETS.

## **Utility Project Submittals in FY 2025**

		Busbar Energy Savings
Utility	Program / Savings Type	(kWh/year)
Inland	Re-Conductor & Transformer	401,882
Idaho County	Re-Conductor & Transformer	117,835
Flathead	Re-Conductor & Transformer	268,061
Vigilante	Re-Conductor & Transformer	185,224
Coos-Curry	Re-Conductor & Transformer	390,686
DOE-RL	Re-Conductor & Transformer (Transformers)	29,867
Oregon Trail	Re-Conductor & Transformer	32,014
Cowlitz	Re-Conductor & Transformer	92,583
Vigilante	Custom Projects Option 1 - Reconductor	122,012
Fall River	Re-Conductor & Transformer	5,924
Kittitas	Re-Conductor & Transformer	371,794
Snohomish	Custom Projects Option 2 - Reconductor	29,691
Benton PUD	Custom Projects Option 1 - CVR	887,019
Vigilante	Custom Projects Option 1 - Reconductor	74,068
Lakeview	Re-Conductor & Transformer (Transformer)	89,530
Central Lincoln	Custom Projects Option 1 - Transmission Line	117,974
	FY25 Total (kWh/year)	3,216,164
	aMW	0.37

## A Special Project to Highlight

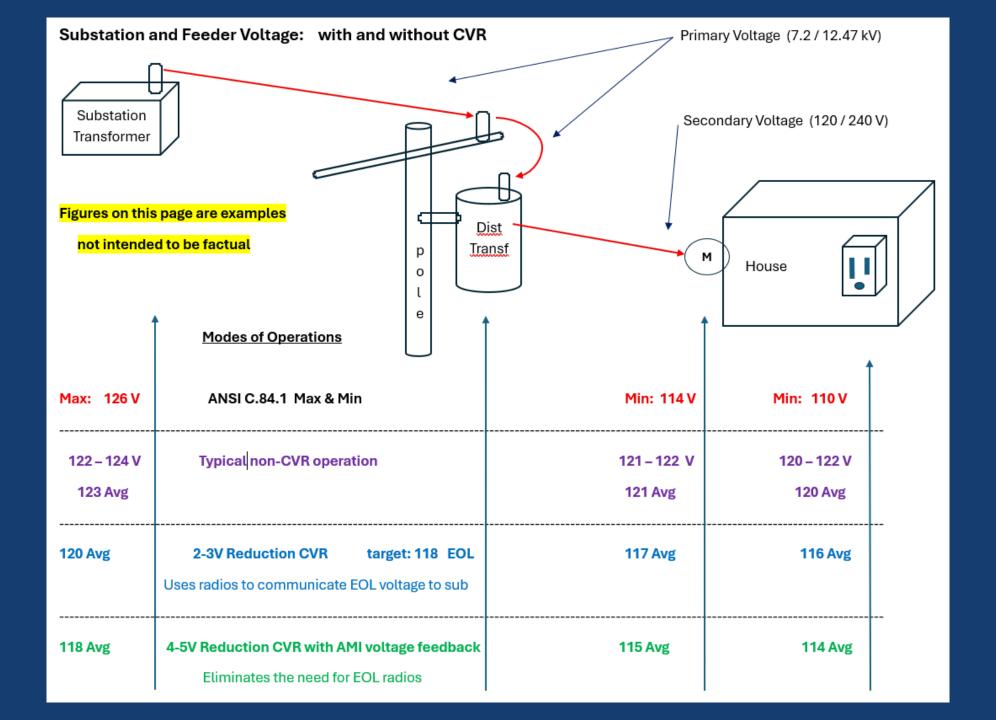




## Clallam PUD: Deploying CVR projects with AMI Data



- Clallam has traditionally implemented CVR using Primary end of line voltage.
- The PUD is currently in CVR-factor data gathering for two substations.
- CVR-factor calculation relies on turning the CVR voltage setting On and Off on a daily-basis. A CVR-factor is calculated, usually using ~6 months of daily On / Off data, for a specific substation, and reflects the native load of the substation.
- The following page illustrates some different CVR operating modes.

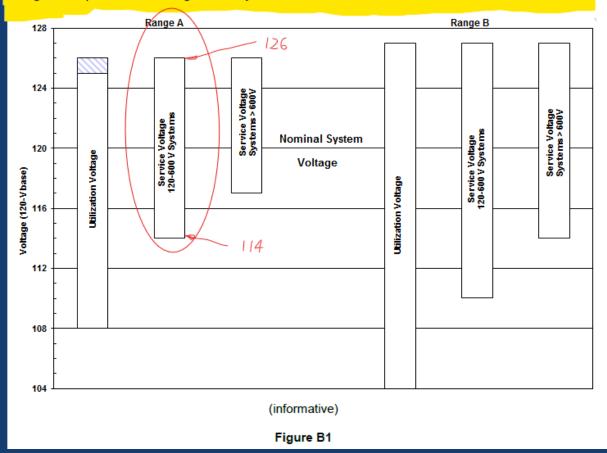


#### Annex B

#### Illustration of Voltage Ranges of Table 1

Figure B1 shows the basis of Range A and Range B limits of table 1. The limits in table 1 were determined by multiplying the limits shown in this chart by the ratio of each nominal system voltage to the 120V base. [For exceptions, see note (c) to Figure B1.]

A technique commonly called Conservation Voltage Reduction (CVR) is sometimes used for energy and or demand reduction. Determination of the value of CVR is beyond the scope of this Standard. However, it is recommended that the application of CVR should be limited to voltages in Range A for normal operation. Range B should be reserved for emergency, infrequent operation. CVR systems should not be designed to operate below Range B for any condition.



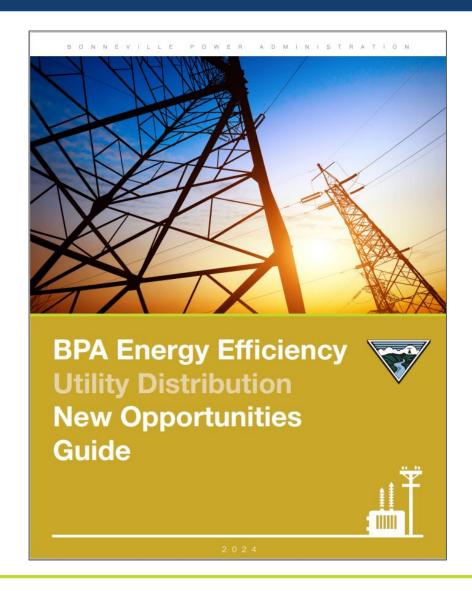
## Re-Introduction of Daily DVR Energy Savings Pilot Program

- BPA has been working for the past year+ to enhance the Daily Demand Voltage Reduction (DVR) offering.
- BPA will host a customer webinar on Nov. 13 to discuss Daily DVR in more detail.
  - Invite your Distribution Engineering staff to the webinar.
- BPA developed economic analysis tools that specifically quantify the overall benefit to utilities.
- BPA will address the possibility for hybrid CVR and Daily DVR in the webinar.

## **Utility Distribution: New Opportunities Guide**

A marketing document to share with other staff...

https://www.bpa.gov/-/media/Aep/energy-efficiency/utilitytoolkit/uds-nog.pdf







## Closing Remarks Thank you, Surveys, and Safe Travels!



## Efficiency Exchange Conference Raffle



## Adjourn!





## Don't Forget the Survey:

