Douglas County PUD is one of 191 of the nation’s more than 2,000 public power utilities to earn Reliable Public Power Provider (RP3) recognition from the American Public Power Association for providing consumers with the highest degree of reliable and safe electric service.

The RP3 designation recognizes public power utilities that demonstrate proficiency in four key disciplines: reliability, safety, workforce development and system improvement. Criteria within each category are based on sound business practices and represent a utility-wide commitment to safe and reliable delivery of electricity.

**Conservation**

The Wells Hydroelectric Project is a tremendous asset for Douglas County PUD customers. It provides clean, renewable, low-cost hydropower to our area. Even though the power enjoyed in Douglas County is among the least expensive in the nation, it should not be wasted. Here are some things you can do in the summer to reduce your consumption of this precious resource.

- ☑ Raise your thermostat by two degrees to reduce your cooling system load.
- ☑ Clean or change air conditioning filters regularly. Dirty filters cause air conditioners to work harder and use more energy.
- ☑ Remove dust from the coils of your refrigerator and freezer so they operate more efficiently.
- ☑ Close your blinds during the heat of the day and open your window during the cool evening to give your air conditioner a rest.
- ☑ Turn off heat producing indoor lights and home computers when not in use. Turn off unnecessary outdoor lights.
- ☑ Fire up the barbecue grill to move cooking outdoors.
- ☑ Adjust your dishwasher so dishes dry without heat.

We always like to hear what you have to say. Please, if you have any comments or questions write them down and send this back with your payment. Thanks~
Chelan-Douglas Community Action Council partners with Douglas PUD to deliver energy efficiency services. Depending on your qualifications, they offer no-cost or low-cost home energy audits. Weatherization reduces energy costs for families by improving the efficiency of their homes.

Weatherization technicians use energy audits to determine which energy efficiency measures are most appropriate and cost-effective to reduce home energy consumption in hot and cold climates.

Typical measures include installing insulation, reducing air infiltration, performing tune-ups and repairs to heating and cooling systems, replacing appliances to improve efficiency and safety, and replacing incandescent lighting with compact fluorescent bulbs. These energy efficiency improvements have resulted in average energy savings of 20% per household.

For more information about the Weatherization Assistance Program, please call Chelan-Douglas Community Action Council (CDCAC) at 509 662-6156, visit their website at cdcac.org