The Power Line

Douglas PUD Customer Newsletter

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Summer Conservation

As the weather starts to warm up in the spring and summer, so does your home. We are providing some tips and tricks to help our customers stay cool while keeping their energy bills affordable.

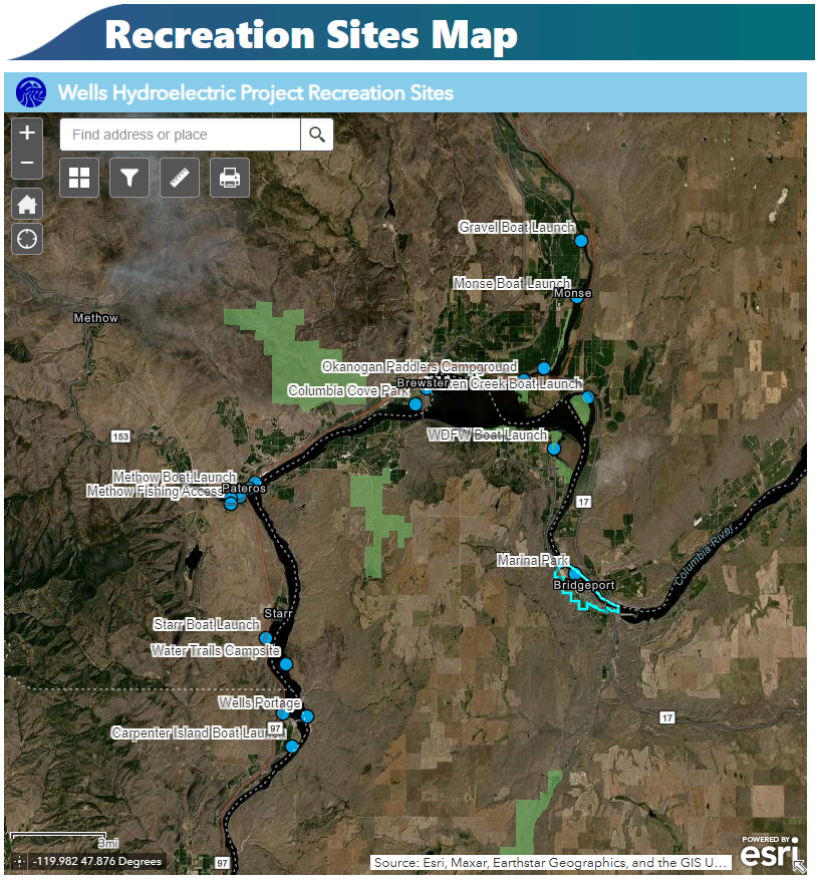
Start the spring and summer off right by performing annual maintenance on your cooling equipment. Change old filters and vacuum out the vents. Set your thermostat at 78 degrees, the recommended cooling temperature setting by the Department of Energy. If you are leaving for an extended period, raise your thermostat a couple of degrees.

Closing your window blinds during the day will help to keep the heat out of your home. On cool nights opening your window will allow for cool air to come in, allowing you to turn off your AC and give it a much-needed break.

Our final tip for you is to pay attention to heat-generating lights and unused appliances. Try to utilize natural light as much as possible. Unplug appliances that are not being used. Make sure to wash full loads of dishes and clothes, it saves energy and limits your appliances from overworking and generating more heat.

These are very simple changes in behavior. Remember the most affordable way to save energy is to be mindful of our habits and make changes when we can.

Parks and Recreation Facilities



Summer is a great time to explore the Wells Reservoir. As a hydro operator, Douglas PUD strives to provide and maintain high quality recreational opportunities on lands upstream of our Wells Project for residents and visitors to the area. We are committed to preserving the natural beauty of the Columbia River.

As part of our Federal Energy Regulation Commission license for the Wells Project, Douglas PUD has developed 20 recreational facilities along the shoreline of Wells Reservoir.

These facilities include parks, campgrounds, trails, swimming areas and boating facilities. All of Douglas PUD's boat launches are free. We also offer outdoor educational opportunities with interpretive exhibits located at Wells Overlook Interpretive Center and at various locations around Wells Reservoir.
Check the website for a map of recreational facilities:
https://douglaspud.org/environmental-stewardship/parks-and-recreation/

Time for the Budget Plan!

The Budget Payment Plan lets you pay your annual electric bill in equal monthly installments automatically from your bank account. This provides our customers predictable bills and no due date worries. Spring time is the right time to sign up. If you are interested in paying the same amount each month, winter, spring, summer and fall, the budget plan is made for you! Call our office at 509-884-7191 to learn more.