A Newsletter for Customers of Klickitat PUD



The KPUD water wastewater team received awards for its exemplary peformance. From left, employees Sharon Blodgett, Greg Watson, Rod Kiser, Tim McMurrin and Brandon Walter; Andy O'Neill from the state of Washington Department of Ecology; and KPUD Commissioner Ray Mosbrucker.

Outstanding Performance Recognized

The Washington State Department of Ecology recently recognized the Klickitat, Lyle and Wishram wastewater treatment plants as recipients for the 2014 Wastewater Treatment Plant Outstanding Performance awards.

Each plant was evaluated for compliance with its effluent limits, monitoring and reporting requirements, spill prevention planning, pretreatment and other regulatory activities to stay in full compliance with their discharge permits. These important obligations must be met to protect Washington's water quality.

Out of about 300 wastewater plants in the state, Klickitat PUD's systems are four of the 125 to achieve this full compliance with their National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit.

This is the sixth consecutive year of

achievement for Klickitat, eighth consecutive year for Lyle and fifth consecutive year for Wishram.

"It takes diligent operators and a strong management team, working effectively together, to achieve this high level of compliance," says Water Quality Program Manager Heather Bartlett. "Ecology appreciates the extraordinary level of effort your plant operators demonstrated throughout 2014. Talented and proficient operators are critical to successful plant operations and protecting the health of Washington's waters."

The communities of Klickitat, Lyle and Wishram, as well as the dedicated KPUD operators, are congratulated for their efforts, having worked hard to maintain compliance 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. ■

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER 2015

4—Free admission day, 4 to 8 p.m., Portland Children's Museum 5—Annual Columbia Gorge Aluminum Man Triathlon, (541) 296-9533 5—Bickleton Car Show and Flea Market, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. 5-7—Labor Day weekend celebration, Maryhill Winery, Goldendale 7—Labor Day; KPUD offices will be closed 8—Klickitat PUD commission meeting, 2 p.m., Goldendale 11-12—Relay For Life, Goldendale 11-13—Huckleberry Festival, Daubenspeck Park, Bingen 11-20—Spokane County Interstate Fair, Spokane 12—Broken Spur Rodeo, Goldendale: www. goldendaleevents.com 12—Ranch Sorting, Hood River **County Fairgrounds** 17-20—Portland RV and Van Show, Expo Center 22—Klickitat PUD commission meeting, 2 p.m., Goldendale 25—The Who Hits 50 Celebration, 7:30 p.m., Moda Center, Portland 25-10/4—Central Washington State Fair, Yakima **26**—Big River Arts and Crafts Annual Gala, 4 to 8 p.m., 1040 E. Broadway, Goldendale 26—Great Balloon Rally Weekend, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., McKinley Springs, Prosser

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3—Goldendale Motor Sports Maryhill Museum Car Show, Maryhill Loops Road

Attention, All Water Customers

During fire season, KPUD asks that all customers be prepared to adjust their outdoor watering if there is an unexpected power outage or fire reported in the area.

During power outages, pumps for wells still need power to fill the reservoirs. Thus, backup generators must be used. We ask that outdoor watering be rationed until power is restored.

When fire is reported in the area, everyone tends to go into emergency mode and saturate everything outside. This

is a natural response. However, when everyone has the same reaction and emergency fire personnel are tapping into the water system, there can be a huge impact on the level of water within the reservoir.

Please be considerate of everyone within the system, and use water wisely during the unlikely event of fire. We want everyone within the water system to have adequate water for fire protection. Thank you for your cooperation.