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Chair Bailey and Members of the Committee,

My name is Barbara Trout and I am on the Board of Tillamook People's Utility District. I am here on behalf of the Oregon People's Utility District Association (OPUDA). OPUDA's members include five People's Utility Districts (known as PUDs) which provide electric service in Oregon. We've provided the Committee with district maps showing the large territories we serve, including nearly two-thirds of the Oregon coastline, parts of Columbia and Multnomah counties, Lane County, and as far east as Wasco County.

In Oregon, PUDs are governed by five-member Boards of Directors that are elected by voters in each PUD's service area. Each Board of Directors sets rates based on the costs of providing service. Most PUD's power supplies are provided by the Bonneville Power Administration at rates that are less than that of any of Oregon's for-profit utilities. PUDs pass on these lower power costs on to their customers. Each board member is elected to represent the communities served, and board meetings are open to the public.

Oregon's electric PUDs collectively serve over 193,000 people and deliver over 4 million megawatt hours of electricity to Oregonians annually. OPUDA member utilities provided 379 family wage jobs in rural communities in 2012, representing more than \$46 million in salary and benefits, much of which stayed in our local communities. PUDs also pay property taxes and franchise fees. During 2011-12, we paid nearly \$8 million in property taxes and franchise fees to the counties and cities we serve.

Oregon PUDs provide their customers with electricity that is more than 93% carbon-free, which is one of the highest rates of clean energy in the United States. That 93-percent carbon-free power comes from the Bonneville Power Administration, including hydropower, wind power, and power from the Columbia Generating Station. In addition, PUDs have developed additional renewable energy including cogeneration, wood waste, bio-mass, agricultural waste, landfill gas, and "fish-friendly" hydropower. Oregon's PUDs offer innovative energy solutions supporting renewable energy such as solar and wind, energy efficiency programs and conservation as a resource. Oregon PUDs have invested more than \$46 million in energy efficiency and conservation programs saving more than 250 million kilowatt hours.

A diverse mix of conventional and renewable power supply resources is crucial. A solid mix of power sources reduces operational and financial risk, and helps PUDs maintain safe, reliable, and affordable service for customers now and in the future. "Cost to customers" is a critical consideration when considering what new power resources are truly sustainable and affordable to the public.

Oregon has made significant investments in conservation, has achieved tremendous energy savings, and has already deployed the highest concentration of renewable generation in the country through the Pacific Northwest's Columbia/Snake River Federal Hydro System. Oregon PUDs are eager to serve as a resource to assist you with future energy and load growth planning. We have several energy experts on our team and we know we can help craft a balanced, long-term energy plan for the state.

Thank you.

Central Lincoln PUD – Newport

Columbia River PUD – St. Helens

Northern Wasco County PUD – The Dalles

Emerald PUD – Eugene

Tillamook PUD – Tillamook



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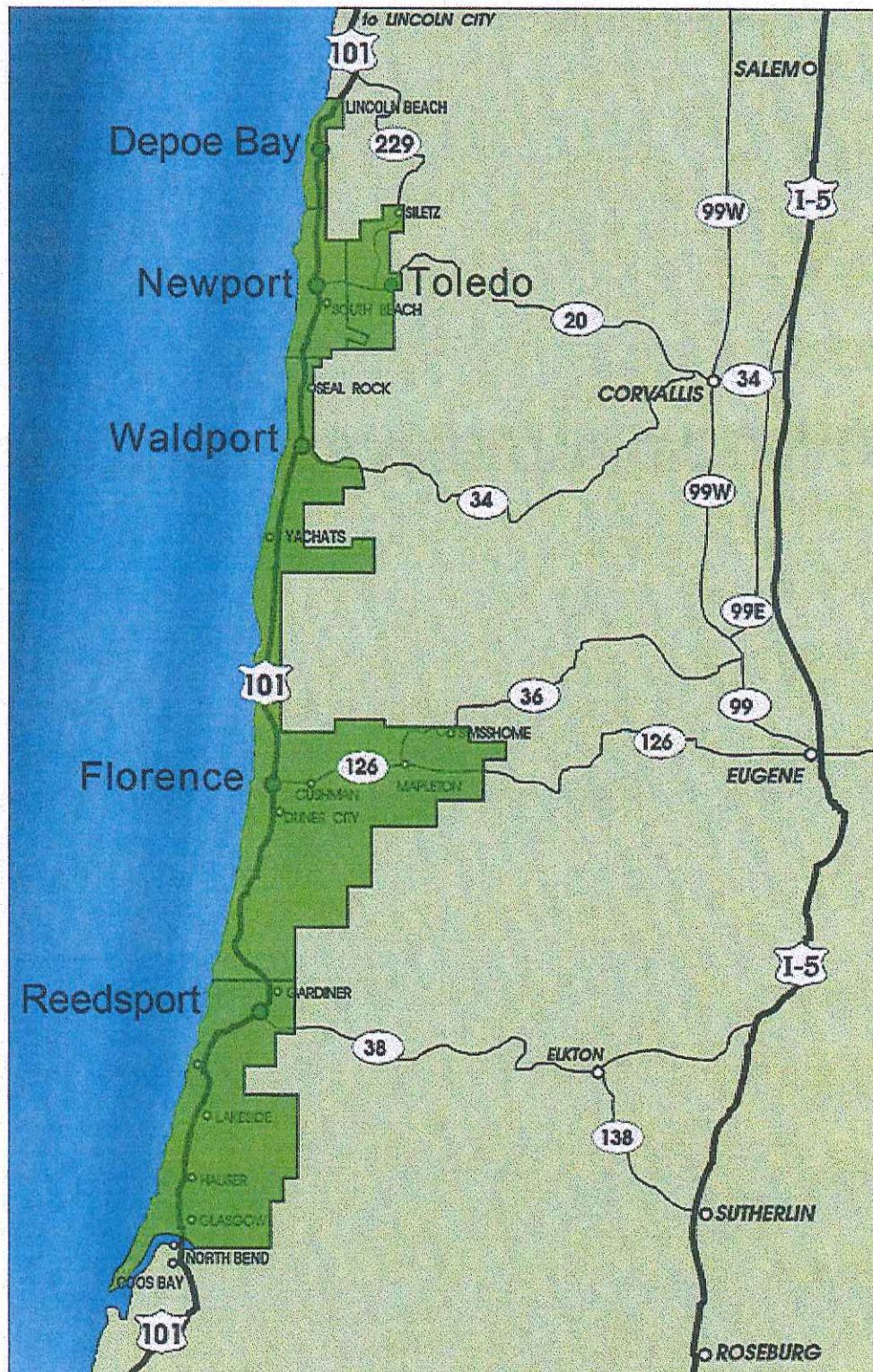
OREGON PUD SERVICE TERRITORIES

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Northern Wasco County PUD – The Dalles*

Columbia River PUD – St. Helens

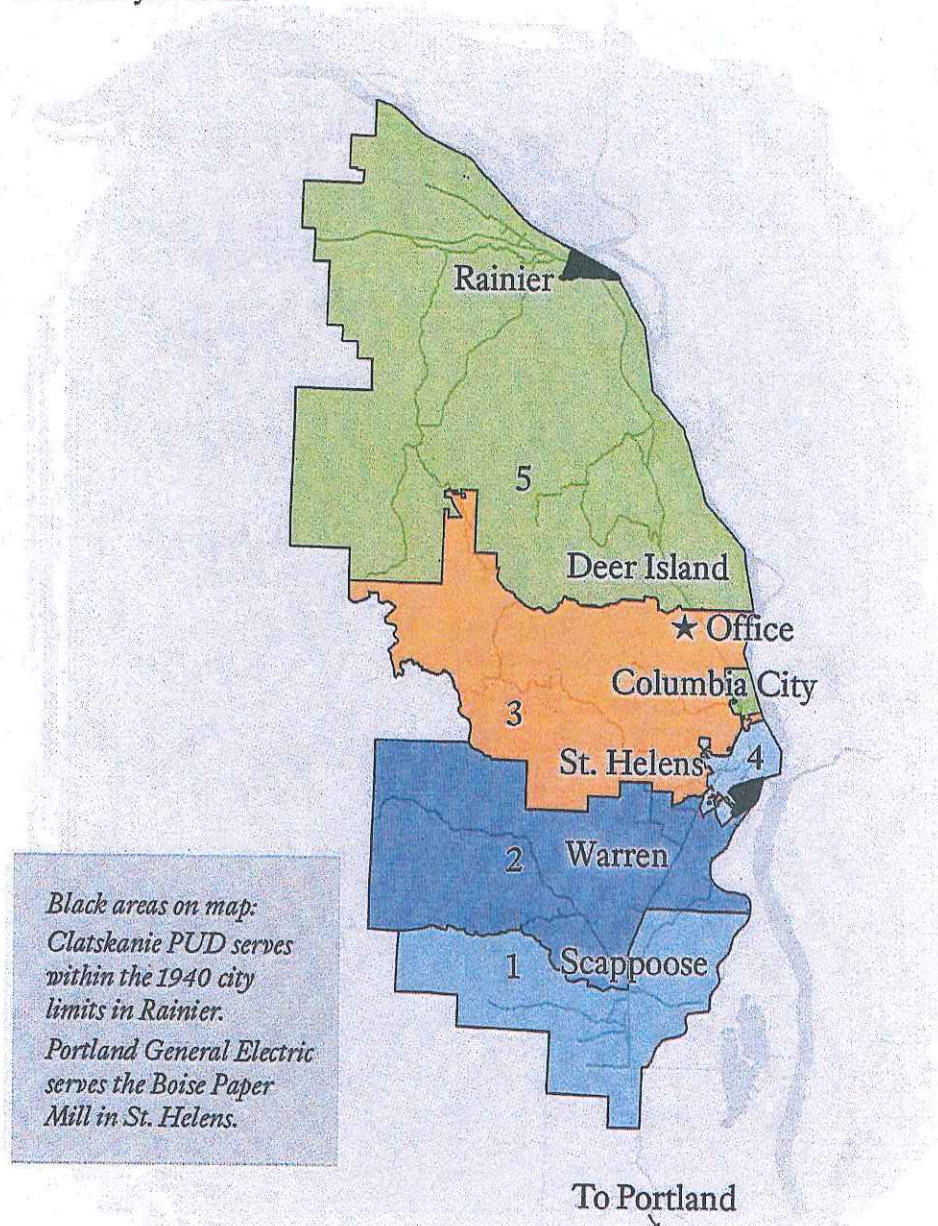
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Central Lincoln People's Utility District Map

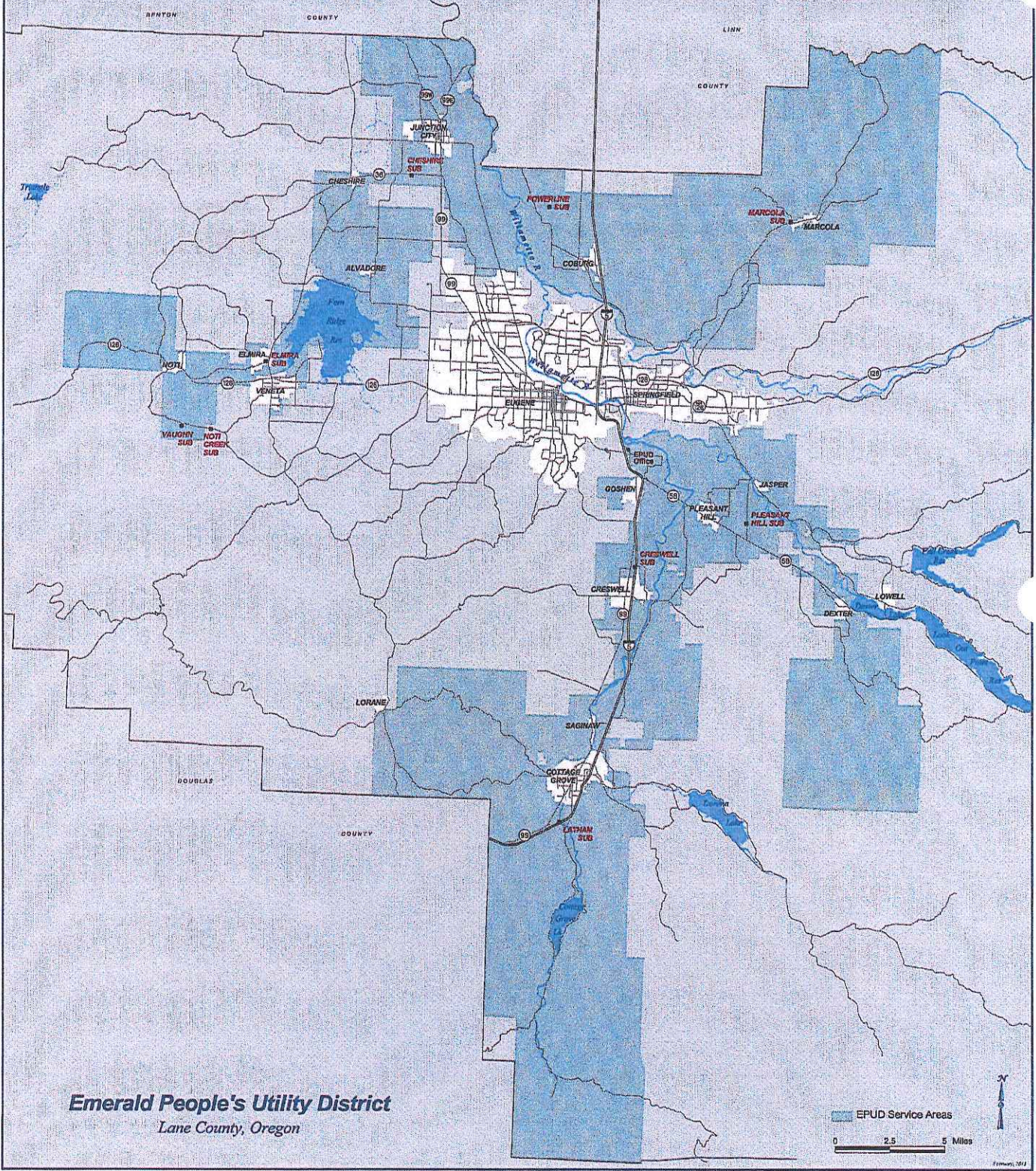


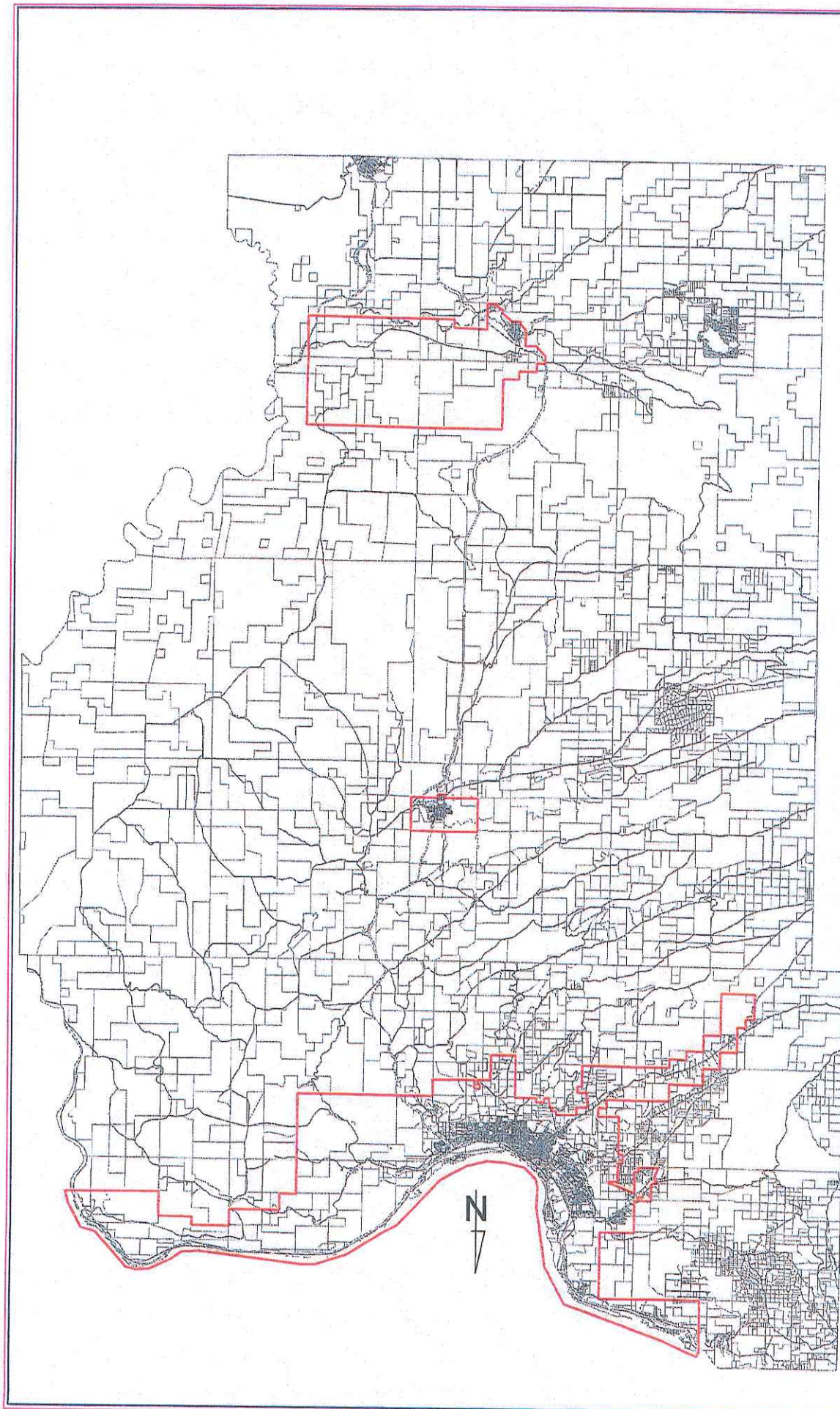
Board of Directors

A five-member Board of Directors sets rates and policies for the PUD. Board members are elected by the voters within the PUD's political boundaries and serve four-year terms.



EPUD SERVICE AREAS





Northern Wasco County PUD
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Service Territory Map

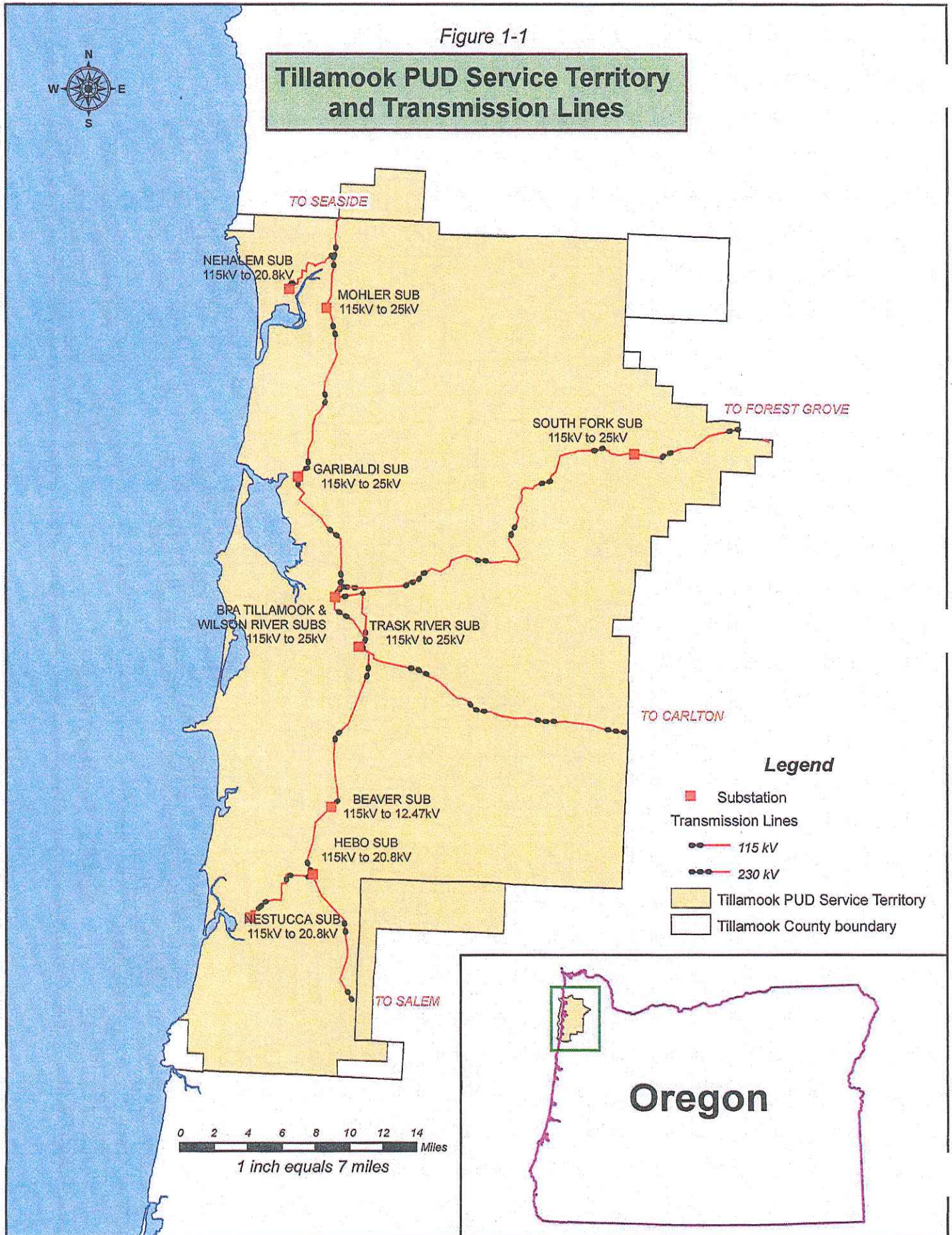
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Tillamook PUD Service Territory and Transmission Lines



Oregon People's Utility District Statistics 2012-2013

Utility	Location	Total Accounts	People Served	kWh Sold	# of Employees	Total Salaries & Benefits	Property Taxes & Franchise Fees	Conservation Grants to Customers	K-12 Energy Savings (kWh)
Central Lincoln PUD	Newport, OR	38,375	55,000	1,311,039,280	129	\$ 16,408,537	\$ 3,810,739	\$ 17,562,463	713,292
Columbia River PUD	St. Helens, OR	18,604	42,830	477,344,000	53	\$ 6,129,040	\$ 896,301	\$ 3,988,107	1,424,317
Emerald PUD	Eugene, OR	20,446	47,380	420,833,565	75	\$ 9,343,603	\$ 899,673	\$ 19,676,160	1,035,829
Northern Wasco PUD	The Dalles, OR	9,855	22,667	550,475,175	39	\$ 7,378,958	\$ 1,034,339	\$ 1,148,288	432,291
Tillamook PUD	Tillamook, OR	20,546	25,255	475,450,719	83	\$ 6,874,709	\$ 1,324,408	\$3,904,295	1,465,078

Total:

107,826 193,132 3,235,142,739 379 \$ 46,134,847 \$ 7,965,460 \$ 46,279,313 5,070,807

K-12 Grant Dollars	
\$	125,934
\$	291,347
\$	412,161
\$	4,520
\$	298,948

\$ 1,132,910