

The Sixth Northwest Electric Power and Conservation Plan

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## Pacific Northwest Region The 1980 Regional Power Act

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Northwest Power and Conservation Planning Act of 1980 (PL96-501)

Authorized States of ID, OR, MT and WA to form an "interstate compact" (aka, "The Council")

Directed the Council to develop 20-year load forecast and resource plan ("The Plan") and update it every 5 – years

 "The Plan" shall call for the development of the <u>least cost</u> mix of resources

"The Plan" shall consider <u>conservation (energy efficiency)</u> <u>its highest priority resource</u> equivalent to generation with a 10% cost advantage over power generating resources

Mandated <u>public involvement</u> in Council's planning process.

# Planning Approach

 Recognize that the future is uncertain and develop a resource strategy that mitigates the risk of unpredictable future changes

Uncertainties include
economic growth and need for
electricity, fuel prices, hydro
conditions, resource costs,
and climate policy

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## Utility Reaction to Council's First Plan Was "Mixed"

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# Fact: Coal Provides 19 Percent of Region's Energy

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### Goal: Meet Most of Region's Long-Term Load Growth with Conservation

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## **Summary 5-Year Action Plan**

Develop 1,200 average megawatts of conservation by 2014

- ~90% of the anticipated load growth.
- ~500 aMW (40%) comes from Federal equipment standards.
- HPWH and ductless heat pumps a significant technology for residential sector.
- Evaluate midway through Action Plan
- Develop cost-effective new generation if needed for energy, firm capacity or flexibility
- Improve power system operation and capability to improve market access, provide ancillary services, and integrate wind generation
- Research and demonstrate promising new technologies for improved efficiency, demand response, and generation

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## 6<sup>th</sup> Plan Resource Portfolio\*

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\*Expected value build out. Actual build out schedule depends on future conditions

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## There's Still "Mass Quantities"

6th Plan Technically Achievable Conservation Potential by Sector

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# **Efficiency Plus What Else?**

In the face of uncertainty about future carbon-control costs:

- Wind and cost-effective smaller-scale renewables including geothermal, biogas, woody residues, hydro and hydropower upgrades are prudent, with or without an RPS requirement
- New gas-fired baseload or peaking plants as needed by individual utilities to provide energy or reliability or flexibility (wind integration) reserves.
- Prepare to reduce reliance on coal.

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## Why So Much Conservation?

#### ■ We found more.

- New technology & applications + Federal standards are accelerating and expanding scope.
- Over 300 measures evaluated.
- Half the costs of new generating resources.
  - \$30-\$40/ MWh vs. \$90-\$120/MWh+ for new generation
- Mitigates risks of volatile fuel prices & unknown carbon costs.
- Generates jobs.
- A key element in reducing carbon emissions.

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## **Conservation Potential by Year**

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### Conservation Detail (MWa by 2029)

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# Select New Measures in 6th Plan Conservation Assessment

New Measure or Practice	MWa by 2029	\$/MWh*
Residential Heat Pump Water Heaters	500	\$26
TVs & Set-Top Boxes	470	\$(5)
Computers & Monitors	360	\$60
Distribution Efficiency & Voltage Optimization	400	\$9
Industrial System Optimization Measures	200	\$16
Residential Ductless Heat Pumps	200	\$70
LED Street, Area, Facade & Parking Lighting	140	\$40
Computer Server Rooms	130	\$(2)
Dairy	10	\$2

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#### <u>Residential Measure Detail</u>

Other Residential Measures Showerheads Lighting **Ductless Heat Pump** Weatherization Heat Pump Upgrades **New Construction Shell Residential Appliances** Heat Pump Conversions **Computers and Monitors** Television and Set Top Box Heat Pump Water Heater

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Savings in MWa by 2029

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## **Industrial Conservation Potential**

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#### **Industrial Savings Potential by Measure**

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#### Mr. Toad\* Is Riding The Longest Sustained Period of Utility Conservation Program Savings in Three Decades

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### But....Meeting 6<sup>th</sup> Plan Goal Will Require 2X – 3X Increase Investments in Energy Efficiency

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# It will be more difficult!