



PSE Profile in Skagit County (2008):

Customers: 57,500

Employees and contractors: 130

Power load: 187 megawatts (MW), average;
330 MW, peak

Power-delivery facilities:

- 1,900 miles of neighborhood power-distribution lines
- 240 miles of high-voltage transmission lines
- 33 substations

Power-generating facilities:

- Baker River Hydroelectric Project
- Fredonia Generating Station

Taxes paid:

- Property taxes: more than \$2.2 million
- Electric taxes: more than \$2.4 million
- Sales taxes: more than \$14,000



New Baker River fish hatchery complex

Electric-system investments:

- Major safety, operational, and environmental expenditures (estimated at \$360 million over next 30 years) for Baker River Hydroelectric Project, including key fish-enhancement projects (e.g., state-of-the-art floating surface collector, trap-and-haul facility, hatchery)
- 17 major distribution-system projects over the next three years



Lower Baker Dam

Powerful Choices for the Environment (energy education):

- Concrete Middle School
- Lincoln Elementary (Mt. Vernon)
- Skagit River School House (homeschoolers in Concrete)
- Mt. Baker (Mt. Vernon)
- Anacortes Middle School

Community involvement:

- Funding contributions to 20 community organizations, including Upper Skagit Bald Eagle Festival, Swinomish Earth Day Celebration, Leadership Skagit Program, Skagit Land Trust, and Skagit County Community Action Agency
- Providing low-income and bill-payment assistance
 - » The Salvation Army Warm Home Fund: \$16,800 in 2007-08
 - » PSE's HELP (Home Energy Lifeline Program): more than \$290,680 in 2007-08

Energy efficiency / renewable-energy programs:

- Fifty-three "net-metered" Skagit County customers who generate own renewable power, representing nearly 13 percent of all PSE customer participation
- 761 Skagit County participants in PSE Green Power Program
- In 2008, approximately 100 Skagit County businesses took advantage of PSE's commercial grants and rebates for energy-efficiency upgrades, totaling about \$900,000 in grants and rebates, and approximately 4.1 million kWh of energy saved