

## Check it Out and Save Energy!

Clallam County PUD announced a new partnership with the North Olympic Library System (NOLS) that offers residents a way to measure energy use in their homes. Patrons of the NOLS can check out a Kill-a-Watt<sup>TM</sup> Energy Detector Toolkit at any NOLS library branch for up to a week at a time. Included with the device will be instructions and other helpful energy consumption information.

The Kill-A-Watt<sup>TM</sup> device is used to measure the amount of electricity various household appliances use. It calculates how much money or energy is being spent on an hourly, daily, monthly or yearly basis. Energy use is measured in watts and translates that into kilowatt hours (kWh), the same unit of measure used on electric bills.

The great thing about this partnership is that it is one that can truly help PUD customers understand where their energy usage is greatest and how they can cut down on that usage and ultimately save money.

Studies show that people using electricity monitors



will save between 5-20% on their bill by watching their energy use and

making effective changes. Common changes include:

- Unplug small appliances
- Upgrade to ENERGY STAR products
- Replace incandescent bulbs with Compact Fluorescent Lamps (CFLs)
- Reduce overall energy consumption



"Over the past several months the PUD has been reminding customers that we are your partner in energy conservation," says Doug Nass, PUD General Manager. "Partnering with the local libraries just makes sense. What better way to get these easy-to-use energy efficiency tools into the hands of the public?"

Clallam County PUD and the North Olympic Library System hope you will take full advantage of this energy conservation partnership.

To learn more, visit:

[http://www.clallampud.net/conservation/res\\_WattDetector.asp](http://www.clallampud.net/conservation/res_WattDetector.asp)

**PUD Mission: Providing reliable, efficient, safe and low-cost utility services in a financially and environmentally responsible manner.**

### PUD Commissioners

Our Board holds public meetings most Mondays at 1:30 p.m. at our Port Angeles office, 2431 East Highway 101.

Call (360) 565-3231 or (800) 542-7859 for more information.

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# Be Prepared for Unforeseen Power Outages

The PUD's outage management system identifies outage sites by the phone number used to report them. If your contact information has changed, and you have not notified us of that change, please do so now. Help us help you! Call 360-452-9771 or 800-452-7859.

As Fall and Winter arrive so do increased chances of power outages. Are you prepared? This month we take a quick look at what you need to do if the power goes out.

1. **Check your fuse or breaker box** for blown fuses or tripped breakers. If they're OK, see if your neighbors have power.
2. **Call us immediately.** You will be asked for details on the outage.
3. **Turn off all electrical appliances** to help prevent damage to your electrical items when power is restored.
4. **Listen to the radio** for updates on major storms. If you have internet access, check the PUD web site for outage information.
5. **If your lights are too dim or too bright** once power is restored, turn off the power at the breaker or fuse box and call the PUD.

**Report Outages to: 360-452-9771 or 800-542-7859**

## Downed Power Line Safety

- Call the PUD immediately if you see any downed power lines.
- Stay back 100 feet or more from downed power lines AND anything they touch. Keep kids and pets away.
- If a power line falls on your vehicle, don't get out! Wait for help.
- If a power line is touching someone, stay away. Call 911 for help!

Watch for more information next month on how to prepare for a power outage, or visit the PUD web site today!



## Celebrating Public Power

Clallam County PUD is celebrating **Public Power Week, Oct. 2-8**, along with more than 2,000 other electric utilities that collectively provide electricity on a not-for-profit basis to 46 million Americans.

Public Power Week is a chance for the PUD to articulate why the public power formula works in Clallam County. The PUD is absolutely dedicated to providing top-notch service and the lowest rates possible.

The PUD is proud to have served Clallam County since 1940. For the PUD commissioners and employees, the hard work is rewarding since our customers are our neighbors and friends. We know how vital electricity is for the people of Clallam County, and we continue to find ways to deliver it reliably, safely and with special attention to the environment.



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## Do You Have a Disaster Readiness Kit?

It's always a good idea to have a disaster readiness kit on hand in the event of a power outage or other, more serious, situation. This means having your own food, water and other supplies in sufficient quantity to last for at least three days.

The Clallam County Emergency Management Department has valuable information available on their web site at [www.clallam.net/EmergencyManagement](http://www.clallam.net/EmergencyManagement).

Here is a basic look at what you will want to have on hand in case of an emergency:

- ✓ Flashlight
- ✓ Battery Operated Radio
- ✓ Extra Batteries
- ✓ Bottled Water
- ✓ Wind-up or Battery Operated Clock
- ✓ Telephone with Cord
- ✓ Manual Can Opener
- ✓ Non-Perishable Food
- ✓ First Aid Kit
- ✓ Warm Clothing
- ✓ Sleeping Bags
- ✓ Medications
- ✓ Important Phone Numbers
- ✓ Pet Food

**Note:** This list is not intended to be all-inclusive, and the PUD recommends you visit the Clallam County Emergency Management web site for more detailed information.

## Fuel Mix

Your PUD's electricity comes from the following fuel mix:

Biomass:	0.29%
Coal:	4.88%
Hydroelectric:	83.89%
Landfill Gas:	0.01%
Natural Gas:	1.93%
Nuclear:	8.86%
Other:	0.14%
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

