

Kleinschmidt Supports Rock Island Hydroelectric Relicensing Project

VANCOUVER, WA, USA, September 20, 2022 /EINPresswire.com/ -- [Kleinschmidt](#) Associates, an engineering, regulatory, and environmental consulting firm, was selected by the Public Utility District No. 1 of Chelan County ([Chelan PUD](#)) to provide regulatory services for the [relicensing](#) of the Rock Island Hydroelectric Project on the Columbia River, in Wenatchee, Washington.



Rock Island Hydroelectric Relicensing Project

Chelan PUD is the owner and operator of the Rock Island Hydroelectric Project, located 12 miles downstream from the city of Wenatchee, Washington. The dam has a total installed nameplate capacity of 628.9 MW and was the first dam to span the Columbia River when it was completed in 1933. Kleinschmidt and Chelan PUD have worked together since 2020 to plan, prepare, and begin drafting the regulatory documents required by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) for relicensing under the Federal Power Act (FPA).

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Kleinschmidt is assisting with early engagement meetings with stakeholders, study plan development, and providing guidance to Chelan PUD on the use of the Integrated Relicensing Process (ILP). Work is currently underway on

the Pre-Application Document (PAD) with an anticipated submittal in the second half of 2023.

“Kleinschmidt values their relationship with Chelan PUD and is honored to be chosen for this important project”, says Jeff Deason, Regulatory Technical Director with Kleinschmidt, “We very much look forward to supporting the PUD through the FERC relicensing process.”

Chelan PUD is the licensee, owner, and operator of three hydroelectric projects in Central Washington State, which provide clean, renewable, and affordable power that benefits the economy of Chelan County and parts of the western United States. Relicensing is a multi-year

project, and Kleinschmidt is contracted to assist Chelan PUD in preparing for and meeting the upcoming FERC required milestones.

About Kleinschmidt

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