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Priest Rapids- Grant County PUD fact sheet. Informant. Kenneth Crow

Power allocation-Oregon The Angel amendment at the time of the legislation authorizing the Corps of Army Engineers to be deauthorized, that a reasonable amount for neighboring states.

Oregon to get 31 per cent of Priest Rapids power and have option on like amount from Wanapum Dam.

PG AND E, private, McMinville, city muni; Forest Grove, city muni; Milton-Freewater, city muni; 1 more; 4 per cent to Idaho and Montana leaving 65 per cent in state of Washington;
and

31 00 4 per cent determined by population centers, industrial loading and transmission. The formula for allocation.

Asked:

Construction date , beginning, Wanapum, Summer of 1958. Completion 4 to 5 years. Construction period, 4 to 5 years on each dam.

Priest Rapids deadline, 1,900 days, over four years. Contractor shooting at 4 years. Provision made for bonus.

Figures, Benefits. Building at Ephrata. Addition second story and auditorium last year, \$200,000.

PUD started ~~inxxxxxx~~ at Soap Lake in 1942 with four employees and 551 customers. In 1946 moved to Ephrata , customer load in neighborhood of 3,000, 25 to 30 employees.

In 1950 built own building, 5,000 to 6,000 customers and work force of about 50 people.

Opened branch office at Moses Lake in 1950 and in Quincy in 1951. and have added to Moses Lake Office twice. Quincy office addition just completed , Ephrata.

Now in the neighborhood of 13,000 accounts and 161 employees which includes 15 assigned to the Priest Rapids project.

Woule e City service man.

Warden, 2 service men

Grant County customers last year average used about 12,650 kw hours in 1955 at an average cost of 9.3 mills per kwh. One of highest uses in nation and one of lowest rates. Only three in nation used that much power.

By 1960 predict customers used in excess of 15,000 kwhours depending upon agricultural growth and equipment.

\$93,000,000 Priest Rapids prime contract. "heeling arrangement threw out cost of transmission lines.

\$1,500,000 included in bond issue for exploration work at Wanapum. Still using figure, roughly, of ~~\$660~~ \$349,000,000 for both dams.

Cooperation

Cooperation between PUD, Public, Power, Municipal Power Groups, all Chambers of Commerce, entire Washington delegations; Corps of Army Engineers and AEC (this qualified)

Reservoir of Priest Rapids Dam will go just below tail race of Wanapum Dam. Wanapum pool will back up just below tail race of Rock Island, about 30 miles.

Contractor: 500 men by end of October, work straight through.

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Car body (round, operator's car sits on it and swings)

Tracks, 40 feet long, wedges,

2 Crane

Ralph Johnson

R.H. Arnell, Kennewick (came from Folsom Dam project in Calif.

Stinson)

C.M. Severance, equipment supt.

R. Benton, Vantage, equipment foreman, 5 to 6 yard bucket

Home at Electric City Wash, worked on Coulee and came from Chief Joseph.

12 yard carryall, working on railroad siding.)

Jack Hale, Rt. 1, box 405, Yakima, iron worker.

O.N. Anderson, Schwarder station, lived at Yakima 10 years. |

iron worker

2 hours way road is now. blading needed to save cars

27 , six iron workers in one pool.

2 boats. Roy Abshire, Prosser, an operating engineer, shovel runner,
son, John H. Abshire, prosser.

WD 20 Carryall, 12 yards, and D8 push cat, two D-8 dozers,

Weights 26 to 27 tons with blade and drums.

Cat Operator: Bob Garoutte, lives at Mattawa, cafe operator,

Came from Moses Lake, 25 to 30 living there now.

Beside Carpenter's building: Office. to the south will be PUD office,
V.H. Caris, field engineer for MC and S, Came from L.A.

Herb Surcliff, assistant office engineer. "ill be finished in three more weeks. will take care of 60 . Came from Ephrata, will close there. Came from Noxon Rapids Dam, Montana, first time with MC and S.

Key personnel homes 9 to be built on gravel shelf, 16 units, bachelor quarters, laundry..

Shop and warehouse.

Due to Gravel 60 new 14 mile road on the 20th, base, 24th oil 29th to finish. This on schedule to the day, maybe a day late.

Carpenter Shop, storage, tool house, 23 to 25 carpenters, 4 from ellensburg local, Yakima, Vanta, Moses Lake, jurisdiction of Yakima 770, 16 laborers, eight Yakima, 8 moses lake.

W.C. Kunz, business representative carpenters union

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John Hellerud, Vantage, general supt, carpenter, Beverly, box 23.

E.F. Adams, president Local 614 Yakima, shop area.

Left: W.C. Kunz, business rep. Carpenters Union No. 770, AFL, Yakima

Andrew Leszczykowski, field representative, reo eastern Washington

District Council of International Hod Carriers Building and Common Laborers Union of America, affiliated with AFL.

James B. Heaton, business representative, Hod Carriers and General Laborers Local 614, Yakima. (And L.F. Adams, president Local 614, Yakima.

Priest Rapids field and photo trip to construction site 8/16/56

Speedometer reading, mileage at Yakima 13422

Sign at Vantage Bridge--to Jct 7c And 10, Othello 43, Pasco 90

Beverly. 7-C hugs river, keeps to left.

Beverly 10 miles from Vantage.. Road construction.

Milwaukie Railroad siding 3,500 hundred, crane, girders, sheet piling, piles of it, materials for constructing offices

Frank Glosser, rigger, Seattle, Rt. 1, Vashon Island, worked at The Dalles and Rock Island, lives at Vantage

Truck loads 18,000 or nine tons.

Tim Wilkins, Local 370 operating engineers, ~~1943-1944~~ crane operator, lives at Vantage.

Oiler, Edward Paulson, Moses Lake, lives in trailer house.

Crane, with 12 foot radius and 100 foot boom, can lift 80 tons.

Operates drag line, clam shovel, shovel

Road around bridge, following close to the river. Low bridge on old road.

Beverly School-- Mrs. Gertrude Morrison, director.

Repairs being made. Beverly School, Lower Crab Creek 160.

Last year closed year with 24 in two room school. Have enough now to fill school to capacity, 50. High school students from this end of Crab Creek go to Kittitas, others to Othello.

School under way, started three weeks ago at Royal City \$190,000 grade school, approximately 19 miles distant. Don't know where children will go. New buildings going up, businesses.

Priest Rapids trailer Court 1/2 mile south of Beverly, between Beverly and Sentinel Butte. Called Schawana, operated by Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Browe, partners with Larry Jorgenson of Othello. Have 15 just in, 72 can go into a quarter, plan 238 first unit, expansion to 1,000 as needed. Opened in June, three or four coming in a day. Lester Morrison owns the land.

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New road construction. Alongside river, row of road crew trailers, 11 silver, on bank of Crab Creek near confluence with Columbia.

New road bed, three dump trucks, closing camp in fill.

Drag line on south side of Sentinel Butte, butte blasted, columnar basalt knocked off.

Mileage 3438 at Beverly Gap.

River curves to the west, big arch curve, big.

Sign at road junction--all three, roads and sign, new..

(One road old access road) Mattawa Gape open 1 mile, due east up series of rolling swells of hills. (Mile turns out to be a couple.

Sign evidently made for upper road intersection. Speedometer reading

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Speedometer reading at Dam Site

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Along Figure 2 Ranch, green below, marshy, cattle grazing. Riding along on shelf, big as all outdoors, big bowl..

Sign on trucks, D.A. Whiteley co, 2x, filling in gap.

Beverly sign, slow to 25

Riverview barbershop, 6 pm to 9 p m Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

Signs on trailer court, watches repaired

Dam site..core drilling sheds. warmer..

Equipment assembly, bottom of dip before marsh crossing, wonder how heavy weight will get across.

left to right:

Mechanic--P.S. Haakerud, Pasco,

Pix ident at unloading ?

Loyal Davis, oiler, worked on Gorge High Dam

Crane shipped in from Gorge High Dam, the big one.

One from Tennessee, four others, Manitowoc speed cranes.

Biggest piece up to 120 foot boom, lift up to 45 tons, normal radius.

Courtesy conference : Granted by Percy M. Othus, special assistant to the district engineer, Army Corps of Engineers and J.W. Elliott, administrative officer, regarding fishery and Celilo ~~xxxx~~ at Yakima Agency, July 6, 1954: 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Time table of dam, if goes normal with appropriations etc.:

Will close dam, fill in eddy with rocks, water will start raising in October, 1956.

Area of fishery will be flooded by impounded water by 1957.

Relocation necessary: Union Pacific Railway on left bank or south shore June of next year. ~~Highway~~ Columbia River Highway, unaffected at that time.

Oregon trunk line is ~~00010000~~ railway passing through the village. It goes to Bend, Ore. It not affected.

By October, 1955, contractor will go into old village to begin removing houses. This is time set, to permit: After fall fishing of 1955.

New village consists of 34 acres. It lies just above the Columbia River Highway. The houses, owned by the Indian Bureau, individually responsible to sub-office at Portland

Program ~~00000~~ of Corps of Engineers in respect to Indian and fishery problems

1-Acknowledge Treaties of Indians, have rights by treaty.

Acknowledge flooding of fishery, destroyed for Indian purposes. and want to compensate. To do that, established the value of the fishery, roughly, \$700,000 a year; capitalized at 3 per cent. That would be a total of 23 1/2 million dollars. This figured on the ~~000000~~ basis of the Indian catch, about 2,600,000 pounds of salmon a year, estimated by the Engineers and Oregon State Fish ~~Commission~~ Fish ~~Commission~~ Commission

The figure was determined over a five year average, 1947 to 00 1951.

This started two and one -half years ago. Worked out a formula (bad term). Went to the various tribes concerned. Suggest they appoint four committees, Yakimas, Warm Springs, Umatillas and Nez Perce. Suggested these meet with Engineers.

Releases given in full consideration by the Umatillas and Warm Springs, approximately \$4 million each tribe. Paid \$200,000 initial payment several months ago. Balance is to be paid prior to flooding.

Could be ~~xx~~ a lawsuit.

The money is not paid to the tribes but is deposited in the United States Treasury to the credit of the tribes, then dispersed through Department of the Interior, under act of Congress.

The \$13,600,000 left for Yakimas.

~~Proposed that~~ Suggested that one million be budgeted for Nez Perce. Made it clear that rights were not determined but budgeted the money so it would be available. Told NP that the Army Engineers research did not indicate Nez Perce fished there, but determined that Nez Perce were fishing there now, and had for some past years. Made no breakdown of the tribes involved in the fishery.

Special act of congress, for the commonly known Celilo group provided they could be settled with on basis of \$3,750 per capita. Celilos have not organized as a group..

program for all based on--Complete release.

2-subordinate rights. These cover only the pool.

Homes, in old village, on private ground. Neufert, others.

Indians (Treaty) promised in Treaty right to live and dry fish etc.

A law a few years ago provides briefly, if move, if requested in one year, provides limited to 25 per cent of the value of the property. The property does not include the land, which is privately owned, but the improvements thereon.

Land Department (Real estate) handles appraisals, etc. of relocation.

Estimated: 20 families live outside of new village and that all are enrolled excepting too one or two.

Multiple problems. Problem of village. Problem of homes. But why village, why homes, when fishery passes. Same situation as individual living somewhere, where highway etc. comes through. Must move. Make way. Free to go where he wants, become absorbed by civilization.

Flooding, starting in 1956, will extend 32 miles up the river