

# CONNECT



APRIL 2024

## Summer Student Employment Opportunities

The PUD is hiring summer students – we have multiple positions available for the 2024 summer season for those students who are eligible and qualified. The positions cover a variety of roles ranging from Occupational Safety to Box Canyon Dam Maintenance.

Detailed position descriptions, summer employment guidelines, application requirements and deadlines can be found on the careers link of our website here: [Summer Employment](#).



Pictured: 2023 PUD Summer Student, Carter Thomas, who worked with the Information Technology Department last year.



## Please Keep Your Electric & Water Meter Accessible

*With the arrival of spring, be sure your electric meter is visible and accessible, clear of vegetation and debris, and free of other obstacles, such as stacked firewood, bicycles or toys. Please also remember to keep your water meter lid and box accessible so our staff can quickly read and access your water meter when needed. A clear box makes it easy to ensure that the lid fits properly, is safe, and can be quickly turned off in an emergency.*

*Please make sure that no objects cover or block access to the meter or meter box. Common items found blocking water meters include cars, trailers, garbage cans, landscape bark or gravel. It is important to trim bushes, trees, and grass that block the way or cover the meter. During the growing season, plants can cover a water meter box very quickly. Lastly, if your meter is located behind a gate that is normally kept locked, please contact us to arrange access.*

### COMMUNITY WATER SYSTEM UPDATES

Are you looking for Community Water System Updates? There is a section of our website dedicated to our water systems, please click here to find out more: [Community Water Systems](#).

Recent updates include information on the upcoming Sunvale Acres Distribution Line Replacement project as well as a Lead Service Line Inventory Survey that is ongoing.



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APRIL IS NATIONAL SAFE DIGGING MONTH  
811 WORKS FOR EVERYONE!

## SPRING IS HERE!

Please stay safe and stay out of rivers during high water.

Hello Spring! April typically marks the beginning of spring runoff, with the peak usually occurring the last week of May to the 1st week of June. Current snowpack levels for the Pend Oreille River drainage appear to be slightly less than average. In spite of the slightly lower snowpack, this year's winter snowfalls will likely cause runoff to be at near-normal conditions. However, other influences for snowmelt runoff include fall soil moisture and weather during the spring which can certainly impact predictions. You can view Pend Oreille River flow and elevation levels here: [Flow & Elevation](#).



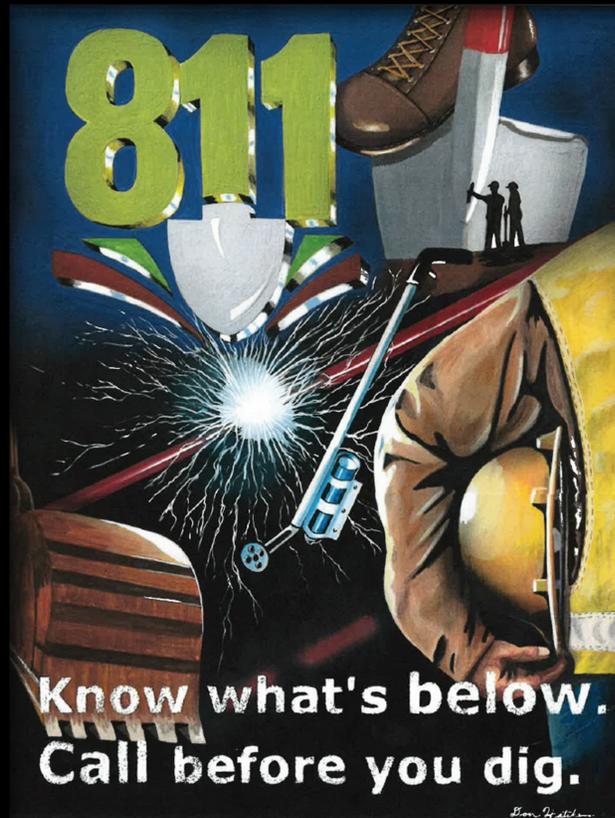
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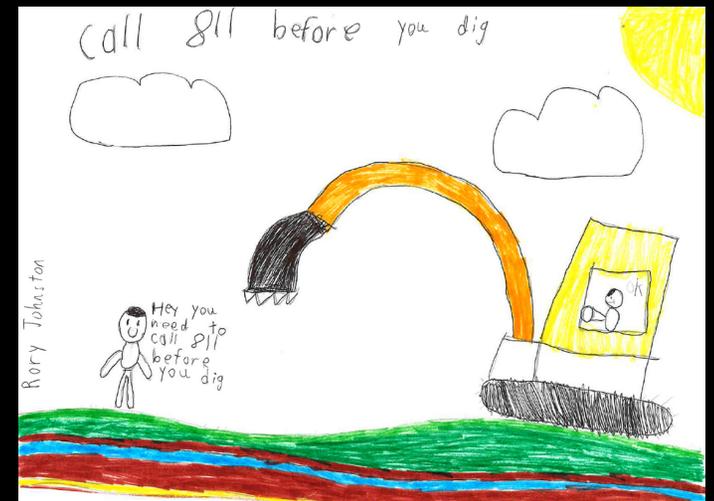
WINNERS of THE PUD's 7th ANNUAL 811 POSTER CONTEST:

Above - Don Hatcher, Newport Customer

Top Right - Kirk Minsal, Metaline Falls Customer

Bottom Right - Rory Johnston, 3rd Grade Stratton Student

Thank you all for your time, artwork, & entries - Congratulations!



If you are putting in a new fence, installing a mailbox post, or putting in a sprinkler system, 811 is for you. State law requires anyone digging a hole that is one foot deep or more to call 811 at least two business days before starting. Below outlines the process:

1. Notify your local one call center by calling 811 or making an online request 2-3 days before work begins.
2. Wait the required amount of time for affected utility operators to respond to your request.
3. Confirm that all affected utility operators have responded and marked their underground utilities.
4. Dig carefully around the marks.

To learn more or submit a locate request to 811, please visit: [Call 811.com](http://Call811.com)

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