



## KPUD Offers Payment Options

Klickitat PUD offers its customers a variety of options for paying monthly bills.

In addition to the usual method of check or cash, KPUD accepts drafts from bank accounts and debit or credit cards.

Customers also have the option of paying online

or calling a customer service representative and paying over the phone with a debit or credit card. KPUD does not accept the “check by phone” payment method.

- **Drafts:** KPUD can deduct monthly bill payments directly from a customer’s checking or savings account, or from a customer’s debit or credit card. This relieves the worry about due dates, writing checks or finding a stamp. Instead, a draft automatically takes care of paying the bill.

When choosing this option, customers will receive a monthly statement, ahead of withdrawal, showing the date of and amount of the draft. Remember, if you use this option with

your credit or debit card, it is important to inform KPUD if the expiration date changes on your card.

- **Online:** Payments can be made online at <https://online.klickpud.com>, or [www.klickpud.com](http://www.klickpud.com) and choosing “Make a Payment” from the lefthand column.

To log in, you will need your account number. Your PIN number is the last four digits of your account number and the first letter of your last name. You also can register as a first-time user with your account number and your meter number.

This online program accepts credit or debit cards. You also can view your last 12 statements online, graphs of your kilowatt-hour use and recaps of your payments, or request minor changes to your account.

If you are a rural customer who reads your own meter, click on “Your Account Maintenance,” then “Submit Meter Reading.” Enter your read in the box provided. Choose calculate to confirm the reading/usage. Then you can save the reading or save the reading and pay your bill.

Thank you for using our online services. If you have any questions or concerns, we are here to help. Call customer service for more information at (509) 773-5891 or (800) 548-8357. ■

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## Consider What’s Up and What’s Below When Planting Trees

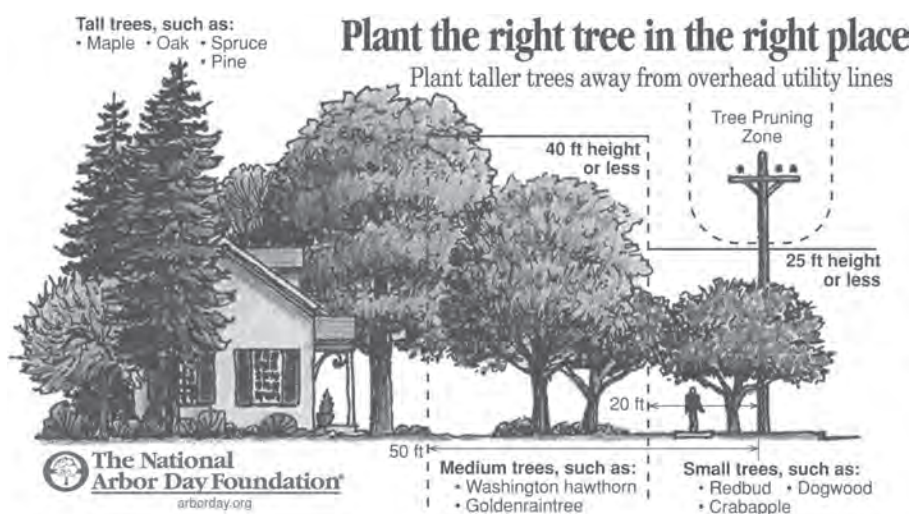
Trees beautify homes and property, but care should be taken when planting trees near power lines. Each year, power outages are caused by storms that bring trees or limbs down on lines.

You can help minimize outages by taking a power-friendly approach in landscaping your property. Avoid planting trees under power lines.

If you are planting within 30 feet of a power line, plant trees that will grow no higher than 25 feet. Larger trees should be planted more than 30 feet from lines.

Remember to look at the power lines to your house, as well as the main line along the street or right of way.

To reduce energy costs, plant leaf-bearing trees east, south and west of your house. You will stay cooler in the summer, while enjoying winter sunlight. Site evergreens and shrubs to block cold



winter winds. When planning a digging project, call (800) 424-5555 toll free at least two business days before starting to be connected to Washington’s statewide

one-call center, which will notify affected utilities of your digging plans. Service personnel will mark underground service lines for no charge. ■