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Additional Information
Revenues from wind farm power are invested in county

By Jade McDowell
The Dalles Chronicle

When the wind industry arrived in Sherman County it brought with it new resources and opportunities for the county's residents. Strategic Investment Program payments from wind farm owners in lieu of property taxes have helped fund schools, been distributed directly to citizens and paid for a variety of infrastructure upgrades and other projects.

One example of how wind money has benefited the county is through the Sherman Development League, a nonprofit founded in 2000 to "enhance the social, cultural and educational environment of Sherman County." Its loan and grant programs got a major boost when the organization was chosen to receive hundreds of thousands of dollars from the enterprise zone of one of the Klondike wind farms.

"The Sherman Development League has done so much for Sherman County," said Patti Fields, director of the Sherman County Historical Museum, which was awarded one of this year's grants.

"Everybody in the community tries to spread the grants around and make use of them," Fields said.

Chenowith manager garners state honor

By Kathy Ursprung
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Roger Prowell, manager of Chenowith Water PUD, was surprised by a reception in his honor as he received a Friend of Rural Water Award prior to the PUD's monthly board meeting Tuesday, March 12, at the Mid-Columbia Fire and Rescue station.

Prowell suffers from an aggressive form of ALS or Lou Gehrig's Disease and plans to leave the PUD at the end of July.

"It's a highlight of my life," he said of the award, citing other honors he has received from the association as additional highlights including manager of the year in 2011 and an earlier outstanding performance award.

Because of his condition, Prowell wasn't able to attend the association's annual conference, so Jason Green, the association's executive director, traveled to The Dalles to hand it over personally, even though Prowell's friend Spencer Cashwell of Bend had accepted the award on his behalf.

The award acknowledges individuals who "regularly go above the call of duty. They represent the Oregon Association of Water Utilities through their work ethic, integrity, leadership and the servant attitude," Green wrote in a press release.

"He has taught for the association for 10 to 12 years," Green told the group assembled Tuesday, including Prowell's parents, wife and grown sons. "He is highly respected among the industry and a number of people were saddened that you weren't able to make it to the conference."

Prowell enjoyed working his love of hunting and the outdoors into his presentations. In 2011, for example, his presentation was titled, "Water, elk, wisdom of the herd."

Prowell proudly accepted the award.

"Thomas Edison said, 'I never worked a day in my life — it was all fun.' That's the way I feel. I've never had a bad day here," he said, adding later; "I have the best staff on the planet. They are highly certified and they keep things running."

Prowell also praised his board of directors, saying they told him to "go forth and do good.

Prowell helped the PUD recover from difficult times under a previous administration. Since arriving in 2007, he helped the PUD get rates that covered expenses, improve its physical infrastructure and add more staff certifications."
A beer for the man who kept Bend’s water pure

By Hillary Bonvou

Roger Powell spent more than two decades fighting through Bend’s Crooked watershed, checking for lightning-sparked wildfires and raising awareness of water quality issues among city employees.

As the city’s water quality supervisor, Powell worked with the U.S. Forest Service to limit recreation inside the watershed to hiking and create a permit entry system to ensure people do not contaminate the water.

Larry Sidor, master brewer at Crooked Fermentation Project and Powell’s friend, said brewers have Powell to thank for the high quality of city water today. “It’s amazing water to brew with,” Sidor said.

To celebrate Powell’s work on the watershed, Sidor crafted a special batch of beer called Crooked Springs Prohibition Lager. On Tuesday, a dozen of Powell’s family and friends gathered at the brewpub to taste the beer. The Bend City Council took the first sip earlier this year to name the city’s drinking water source springs after Powell, in recognition of his work on the watershed during his 24-year career with the city.

“I fully collaborated with other brewers and malt suppliers and hop suppliers,” Sidor said. “I guess, why not honor somebody who’s the single biggest part of your ingredients? And Bend water, at least what comes from Bridge Creek, it’s fantastic water.”

For his part, Powell said the city’s water is ideal for brewing beer because the quality is consistently high, whether the city is drawing most of its water from Bridge Creek and Tumalo Creek, or from groundwater wells. “There are subtle differences, but slight enough so you don’t have to change the recipe much,” Powell said. The city draws water from the source springs on Tumalo Creek down into Bridge Creek where the city water intake facility is located.

Powell, who grew a beard, has an amnesia form of the neurodegenerative disease ALS, or Lou Gehrig’s Disease. ALS affects nerve cells in the brain and the spinal cord and can cause paralysis during later stages of the disease.

Powell retired from his work with the city in 2008. Sidor was working for Deschutes Brewery when he met Powell.

“One of the things I do when I am in a municipality, I try to get to know all the shakers and movers and things that affect the community I’m with,” Sidor said.

He frequently ran water quality tests, and “I got to know Roger from that, because I think he wanted to know, Who is this guy asking all the questions about the water?”

Same-sex marriage case ripples in states

By Matt Pearce

Los Angeles Times

Same-sex marriage is picking up steam in the states.
Today, a white Jesus image is ingrained in American culture. "When we live in a world with a billion images of white Jesus, we can say he wasn’t white all we want, but the individual facts of our world say something different," Blum said.

"Jesus is white without words. It’s at the assumption level," Blum said. "Lodged deep down inside is this assumption that Jesus was a white man. That’s where I think (Kelly) is speaking from."

**What is white?**

There also is a desire to fit Jesus into modern racial classifications. In America today, this logic goes, Jews are white. Jesus was a Jew, so Jesus must be white.

Yet Jews did not originate in Europe, and for centuries were considered to belong to a non-white race of their own. Only recently have they been moved into America’s “white” column, along with Irish and Italians.

"The categories of white and black, coming out of the American experience, it just doesn’t make a lot of sense to apply them to Jesus," said Joseph Curran, an associate professor of religion at Misericordia University.

"The best inference is what part of the world he was from — he looked like a Palestinian because he was from that part of the world," Curran said. "Does that mean he was black or white? I don’t think those categories matter much."

For Carol Swain, a scholar of race at Vanderbilt University and a "Bible-believing blower of Jesus Christ," the whole debate is totally relevant.

"Whether he’s white, black, Hispanic, whatever you want, who he is, what’s important is that people find meaning in his life," Swain said.

"As Christians we believe that he died on the cross for the redemption of our sins," he said. "To me that’s the story of the story that matters — not what skin color was."

### Beer

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When Sidor called Prowell to pitch the idea of a special beer earlier this year, Prowell requested a lager. Sidor said lager is the perfect type of beer to highlight the pristine water from the city’s source springs.

Sidor began brewing the beer in early November. He waited until the city was drawing nearly all its water from Bridge Creek and Tumalo Creek in order to maximize the amount of spring water in the beer. But Sidor also knew that because of Prowell’s ALS, he needed to brew the beer quickly.

"I was in a real hurry to get it out there, so Roger could test it," Sidor said. He plans to bottle some of the beer and create labels based on a painting of the springs that Prowell likes.

In addition to city water, Sidor used corn and barley to brew Prowell Springs Pre-Prohibition Lager. It’s a traditional recipe, similar to what German immigrants began brewing in the United States in the early 1800s.

### DMV

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The state is still in the process of certifying courses. Snow said, and for students currently in a driver’s education course, their instructor might not be ready to provide the driver-test waiver. Snow recommends calling the driver education instructor directly before signing up to take the course. She wasn’t sure of the specific requirements instructors will have to meet to qualify.

David House, with the DMV, said most requirements will "exceed" the current standards. There will still be an established route, and drivers will have to tackle several scenarios, including lane changes, traffic stops and even the dreaded parallel parking test.

For those who take a course and receive the driver-test waiver, they must still meet other DMV requirements, including having a permit for six months, participating in 50 hours of driving experience with a driver older than 21, and passing the safe driving practices test at the DMV.

The state does not require anyone to take a driver’s education course. Financial assistance is available for those who would like to take a test but are unable to do so financially.

"Oregon doesn’t require you to take a driver education course, but studies have shown ... you’re a better driver if you take a formal driver education class," Snow said.

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Bend water supply defender dead at 65

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Roger Prowell, a longtime guardian of the city's water supply, died Wednesday. He was 65.

A 24-year employee of the city of Bend, Prowell took on the job of protecting the Bridge Creek Watershed, one of Bend’s two sources of drinking water. Co-worker and longtime friend Spencer Cashwell said Prowell immersed himself in his work, coming to know the roughly 4,000-acre watershed through frequent hikes, until “it was like he had every rock named.”

Prowell had amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, or Lou Gehrig's disease, a degenerative disease that attacks the nervous system. As the disease progressed over the last year, the city and Crux Fermentation Project both took steps to honor him. The city began the process of naming the previously unnamed source of Bridge Creek “Prowell Springs,” while brewer Larry Sidor created Prowell Springs Pre-Prohibition Lager.

Sidor unveiled the beer last month at a ceremony attended by Prowell, his family and friends, and presented it as his way of recognizing Prowell's commitment to pristine city water.

Patrick Griffiths, Bend’s water resource manager, said Thursday was a sad day for those who knew and worked with Prowell.

“Roger was my original mentor and original boss, and I miss him dearly,” Griffiths said. “He really was the backbone of the surface water system and led the realization of how important surface water is to our community.”

Cashwell said Prowell wasn’t thinking about water when he started working for the city in 1984. He’d recently earned a teaching degree, and with an eye toward taking a short break to figure out what to do next in his life, Prowell took a job with the city streets department.

Cashwell said Prowell had been patching asphalt and putting up road signs for maybe a year and a half when the water department recruited him.

The water supervisors at the time recognized they didn’t have anyone with the capacity to read through thousands of pages of documents and draw up a plan for protecting the Bridge Creek watershed, Cashwell said, but thought Prowell might be the right man for the job.
"He’s an intellectual guy. You could tell you were talking to one of the smartest men on the planet in just a brief conversation,” Cashwell said.

Prowell started with the city just five years after the Bridge Creek Fire torched 4,300 acres in and near the Bridge Creek watershed. Recognizing the damage another fire could do to the water supply, the water department turned to Prowell to develop a plan to keep ash and sediment out of the water system.

The first filtration system at the Bridge Creek intake came out of Prowell’s efforts, Cashwell said, but in order to receive an exemption from treating its water for waterborne pathogens, the city had to find a way to restrict access to the watershed.

Working with the U.S. Forest Service, Prowell crafted an agreement to limit access to the watershed to hiking only, including the then heavily-used trail running along Bridge Creek, Cashwell said. The Tumalo Falls trail was developed as part of the effort, he said, creating a more scenic alternative to the Bridge Creek trail.

Wendy Edde, the city’s stormwater supervisor, said Prowell was dedicated to protecting the watershed on and off the clock. When lightning storms would roll through the area, Prowell would head to one of several vantage points overlooking the watershed, Edde said, watching for any strikes that might trigger a wildfire.

“There’s different levels of how someone can do a job, and he really took great care and did it to the best of his ability,” she said. “He made a difference we’re still feeling today.”

Edde said Prowell was vigilant about keeping Bridge Creek clean in order to protect those who could be seriously harmed by even minimal contamination.

“He was always about protecting the most vulnerable in our community,” Edde said. “He would always talk about the need to have really good water ‘for the grannies and the babies.’ He was always looking out for people.”

Prowell is survived by his father, Milton Prowell, wife Susan Prowell, and sons Erik and Brett Prowell.

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In The End

With my tenure on this earthly plane coming to somewhat a quick terminus, I would like to share some final thoughts on the elixir of life, our beloved eternal water.

We, as professional purveyors, hold the essence of our communities in our hands and in our hearts. If you do not have water in your heart, the water quality in your system will suffer from lack of emotional attachment/connection/pride/love. Water is entwined with all of life, with our civilization, with our vision and dreams of the future. We are the water, without our skills and thoughts .... homes become drought plagued.

As water centered humans, our deep immersed mission is to irrigate the flowering of the human mind, to spring and flow toward complexity and understanding of our place among the galaxies, to refresh our basic organic molecules that drive our poetry and creativity and reflect mountains and the moon on quiet lakes.

As purveyors, we are closer to the beauty and magic of water and can appreciate fluid mechanics while holding water’s secrets and inspirations close to our inner beings. Water has dissolved our personal differences into a greater good, a purpose driven life.

A purpose driven life filled with desire to purvey life giving water to future generations more efficiently, of higher quality, of increased flows to our hydrants and stronger and more balanced hydraulics. Our desire to do this good task never ends, we purveyors have eternal duty and honor, a lifetime filled with a vision and hope and direction. Is not this a perfect life?

Roger Prowell