

OPALCO Stewards 2021: Resource Material

The following links - from a quick look (Quick Facts and articles) to detailed reading materials - are provided for those who want to better understand the issues that OPALCO is facing today. Please reach out to us at communications@opalco.com if you have questions or want to learn more. We appreciate your time and commitment to being an engaged co-op member!

OPALCO's Energy Future:

Island Way Campaign: <https://energysavings.opalco.com/the-island-way/> (under construction)

– home page to all key info on energy transition

[OPALCO's Integrated Resource Plan](#)

Benjamin Franklin said, “When the well's dry, we know the worth of water.” Like water, energy is a fundamental part of our daily life and economy. OPALCO's plan provides a vision for increased local energy production, reduced dependence on the mainland, and increased local energy resilience built on a foundation of conservation and efficiency practices.

What is Community Solar: <https://www.opalco.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/Energy-Insights-Community-Solar-.pdf>

Washington State 2021 State Energy Strategy: <https://www.commerce.wa.gov/growing-the-economy/energy/2021-state-energy-strategy/>

OPALCO Quick Facts: Climate Impact and Our Energy Future, a four-part series on climate impact on energy in the Northwest:

1. Decarbonization: [Decarbonization https://www.opalco.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/quickfact-climate-impact-part-1.pdf](https://www.opalco.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/quickfact-climate-impact-part-1.pdf)
2. Decarbonizing Energy Generation: [Decarbonizing Energy Generation https://www.opalco.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/quickfact-climate-impact-part-2.pdf](https://www.opalco.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/quickfact-climate-impact-part-2.pdf)
3. Decarbonizing Energy Consumption: [Decarbonizing Energy Consumption https://www.opalco.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/quickfact-climate-impact-part-3.pdf](https://www.opalco.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/quickfact-climate-impact-part-3.pdf)
4. Energy Shortages: [Energy Shortages https://www.opalco.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/quickfact-climate-impact-part-4.pdf](https://www.opalco.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/quickfact-climate-impact-part-4.pdf)

Why Hydropower is essential part of Washington State Energy Strategy
<https://www.opalco.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/quickfact-hydropower.pdf>

OPALCO's 2020-2040 Long Range Capital Plan (funding capital projects)
www.opalco.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/OPALCO-2020-2040-LRP-DRAFT-20210120.pdf

What Does a Green Grid Mean, and Can Biden Make One?
<https://www.bloombergquint.com/quicktakes/what-does-a-green-grid-mean-and-can-biden-make-one-quicktake>

OPALCO Info:

- Co-op Newsroom: <https://www.opalco.com/newsroom/>
- This Electric Life Blog: <https://energysavings.opalco.com/electric-life-blog/> (member stories)
- Quick Fact Library: <https://www.opalco.com/newsroom/quick-facts/>
- Mission and Values: <https://www.opalco.com/about-us/mission-and-values/>
- Board Strategic Directives: <https://www.opalco.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/Board-Strategic-Directives-2019.pdf>
- About us: <https://www.opalco.com/about-us/>
- Understand OPALCO's Power Costs and Rates: <https://www.opalco.com/understand-your-power-costs/>
- OPALCO's Document Library: <https://www.opalco.com/resource-library/#r1fboardmeetingsandmaterials> – home of board materials, governing documents and policies, financial reporting, member information, data insights and more
- Co-op History: www.opalco.com/about-us/history-of-opalco/

OPALCO Programs:

- Switch It Up! On-bill Financing: <https://www.opalco.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/quickfact-switch-it-up.pdf>
- Electric Vehicles: <https://energysavings.opalco.com/energy-savings/electric-vehicles-evs/>
- Member Elections & Governance Committee: <https://www.opalco.com/elections-and-governance-committee/>
- Rebates: <https://www.opalco.com/rebates>
- Bill Pay Assistance Programs for Members in Need: <https://www.opalco.com/about-your-account/energy-assistance-program/>