

Energy Independence Day Event
July 3, 2003, 11:30 am
Peshastin, WA



Thanks for joining us in dedicating the newest residential turbine installed under Chelan PUD's pioneering SNAP (Sustainable Natural Alternative Power) program, and the first turbine installed as part of Our Wind Coop!

Don and Beverly Grim will be celebrating with a cookout at their Peshastin home (50 miles east of Stevens Pass) on July 3, 2003, beginning at 11:30 am. Invitees include local media, political officials, utility representatives, Our Wind Co-op project staff and partners and prospective turbine owners.

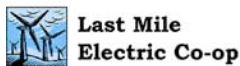
The installation of this turbine -- which will generate power onto the Chelan PUD electric distribution grid at a premium rate -- represents a big step forward for small-scale wind power in the Northwest. It is the first to receive upfront capital leveraged from the private market through sales of Green Tags from the Bonneville Environmental Foundation, and is an example of what individuals and businesses pay for when they contribute to green power programs through their local utility. The Grims' pioneering effort proves that support for green power is making a real contribution to a local, homegrown energy supply.



In the future, cooperative financing coordinated by Northwest SEED, the Last Mile Electric Cooperative, and Climate Solutions could make it possible for many farmers, small businesses, and rural homeowners to leverage much of the installation costs of a small wind turbine. "Our Wind Co-op" plans to combine contributions from angel investors, Green Tag sales, and other supporters into an investment fund that provides the start-up capital.

A distributed network of wind turbines and other renewable energy resources will provide a more secure, sustainable, and affordable power supply in Washington. Northwest SEED is proud to be involved in initiatives that help break down financial barriers to wind turbine ownership. Join us in congratulating the Grims and announcing the successful launch of a cooperative finance tool that could bring energy independence to the rural residents of Washington!

Suggested donation \$5 for food & drink.



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