## **Engage Series**

Uniting Registered Apprenticeship Programs and Tribal Workforce/ College Career Centers for Apprenticeship Recruitment





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## Moderator



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## Center of Excellence Overview

CARTINENT OF LINES OF AMERICAN

- U.S. DOL initiative to increase systems alignment across apprenticeship, education, and workforce
- Led by Safal Partners; 5 national partners
- We provide no-cost TA including:
  - Monthly webinars
  - Quarterly virtual office hours
  - Individual TA/coaching sessions
  - Online resources (desk aids, guides, frameworks, etc.)









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# U.S. DOL Guest Speakers



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# Today's Presenters



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My Maritime Career
Apprenticeship
Program



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# Agenda

- Welcome and Introduction
- Cyber and Tech Industry Intermediary Registered Apprenticeship Program
- Avista Training Programs
- My Maritime Career Apprenticeship Program
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
   Northwestern Division Hydro Power
   Plant Training Program
- Q&A





# Cyber and Tech Industry Intermediary





# U.S. DOL Cyber Leadership





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- technical expertise to build and/or facilitate approval of a customized program for your organization's own sponsorship if preferred
- ongoing technical assistance to successfully launch and sustain your customized program
- connections to federal, state, and local resources including funding support through tax credits
- direct limited incentive funding on a per-apprentice basis to assist with non- wage program costs
- help identifying potential candidates through a network of partners including two- and four-year colleges and universities, military installations, workforce systems partners, and community-based organizations serving individuals
- ongoing program support such as marketing and administrative assistance

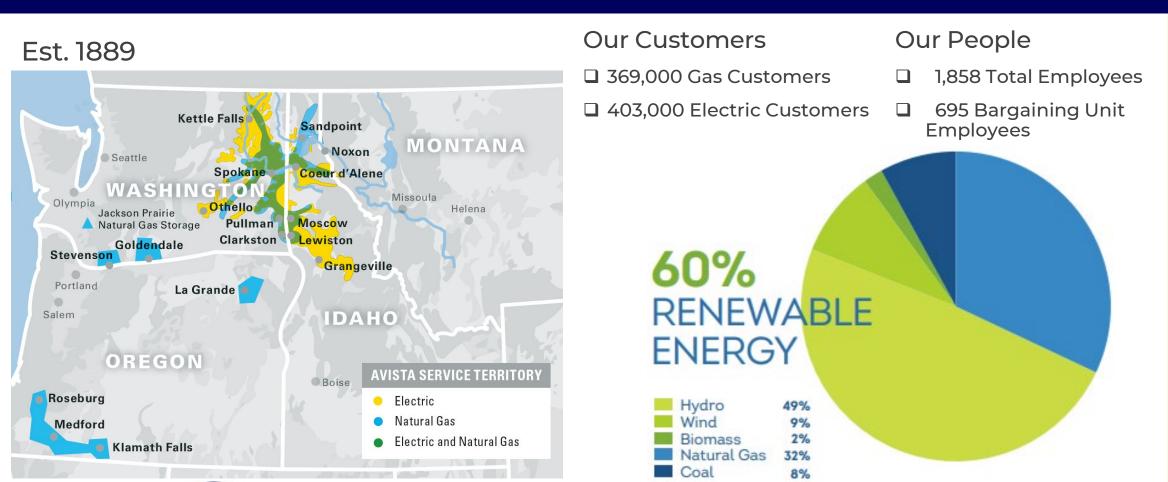


# Avista Training Programs





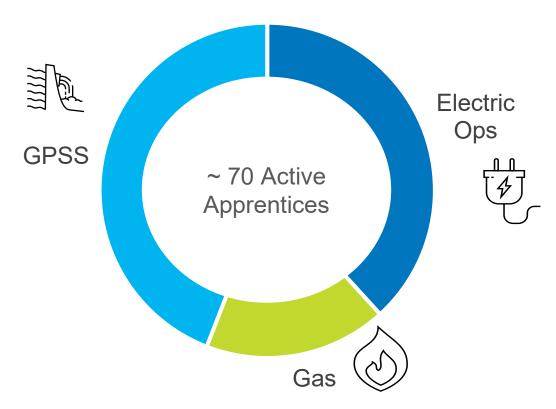
## Avista Utilities Overview







# Avista Registered Apprenticeships



- Registered since 1949
- 13 Apprenticeships\*
- Long-standing program management and governance model with IBEW Local 77





<sup>\*</sup> Not all apprenticeships have active apprentices at this time

# Apprenticeship Occupation Overview



## Generation [GPSS]

- Hydro & Substation Operator
- Electrical Mechanic
- Protection Control Meter **Technician**
- Mechanical Structural Mechanic



# Electric Operations

- Lineman
- Flectric Meterman
- Cableman



#### **Gas Operations**

- Gas Mainfitter
- Gas Meter Technician
- Gas Serviceman
- Fleet Mechanic\*\*



### **ET Operations**

- Communications **Technician**
- Network Technician



# Apprenticeship Process Overview

#### **Minimum Qualifications**

- High School or GED
- CDL\*
- Avista Employee \*

#### **Term and Training**

- 2,000 8,000 Hours
- Min 144 Hrs Related Instruction
- Avista In-House Instructors
- Avista Pays for All Outside Tech Training
- Structured Work Process / Task Books

#### Wages & Governance

- Joint Committee [Union & Management]
- Monthly Reviews
- 6-Month Step Progressions
- First Step App: ~\$40/hr
- Top Out: ~\$50 \$60/hr

\*CDL NOT required for all positions [Helper / Crewman / Groundman Entry Level Positions are Typical but not Required]



# Workforce Opportunities / Addressing Challenges



#### Craft Student Program

#### Pilot Program

- High School Craft Employee
- Learning and process similar to apprenticeship
- Supported by Journeyworkers and IBEW Local 77



# Pre-Apprentice Training

#### **Enhanced Training**

- Focusing on 3 entry level, temp positions
- 3-week onboarding and training program
- Structured program management and governance similar to apprenticeship



#### Incremental Improvements

#### Collaborative Efforts to Improve Programs

- Periodic program reviews with Journeyworker committees
- Enhancing apprentice feedback and processes
- JATC Roundtables



# My Maritime Career Apprenticeship Program





# - MY MARITIME CAREER

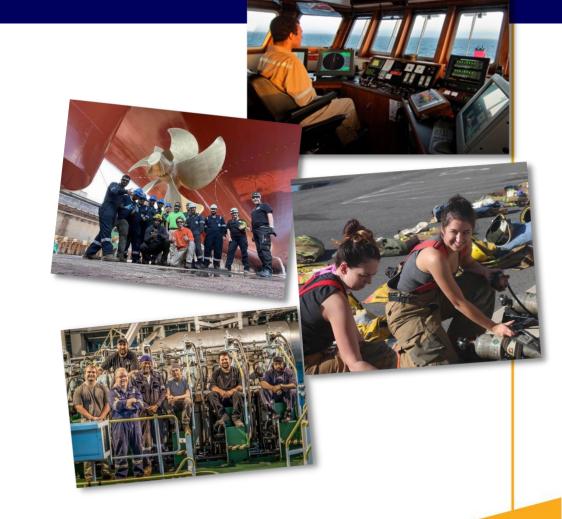






## What Is the Merchant Marine?

- United States Civilian Mariners (Sailors, Seafarers)
  - Power America Transport goods, commodities, and passengers
  - Sail on a variety of American owned, flagged, crewed vessels
    - Freighters, tankers, container ships, tugs/barges, towboats, ferries, cruise ships, riverboats
  - MSC civ mariners carry vital USNS cargoes





## What Do the Jobs Look Like?



#### **DECK DEPARTMENT**

- VESSEL NAVIGATION, WATCH STANDING
- Care of cargo
- Maintenance of deck area
- Anchoring, mooring



#### STEWARD DEPARTMENT

- PREPARATION OF MEALS
- Stock supplies/pantry
- General housekeeping aboard



#### **ENGINE DEPARTMENT**

 OPERATION, CLEANING, AND MAINTENANCE OF ENGINE/PROPULSION SYSTEMS





## Paul Hall Center

- Founded in 1967 in Piney Point, Maryland
- Nation's largest facility for deep sea and inland waterway mariners
  - Training for entry level Unlicensed Apprenticeship
  - Advancement training for credentialed mariners
  - Programs for transitioning military veterans



- Tuition free, room & board included
- Serves unlicensed mariners in three departments (deck, engine, steward)
- Accredited by the Department of Labor and United States Coast Guard



# Harry Lundeberg School of Seamanship

- Part of the Paul Hall Center
- Operates the Unlicensed Apprenticeship Program
  - Combination training classroom, simulation, practical assessments
  - About a year to complete
  - Eligibility
    - Age: 18+
    - US Work Eligible
    - No degree necessary
    - MMC, TWIC eligible

- No probation or parole
- Meet physical requirements
- Drug free



# Unlicensed Apprenticeship

- Deck and Engine Rated mariners
  - Most in demand
  - Achieve rating faster than on own
- Steward Chief Cook
  - Trained to lead vessel galleys



Guaranteed 1st Job



Accelerated Advancement



Tuition-Free



· Room & Board Provided



# Apprenticeship Phases (Deck and Engine)





16 WEEK ON SITE TRAINING
General shipboard knowledge

• 120 DAY AT SEA
• -Entry Employment

- 60 DAYS AT SEA
  In the department of your choice
- 4
- Complete On Site Training 3-4 weeks FOWT/AB





# UA Apprenticeship Phases (Steward)



16 WEEK CLASSROOM

-General shipboard knowledge & safe cooking

200 DAYS AT SEA
-Not concurrent, employment

5 WEEKS CLASSROOM
-Completion of Chief Cook coureses







# **UA Application Process**

Step

Submit application online - My Maritime Career

Complete interview at local port, basic math & english testing

2 Step

Obtain necessary documentation (Passport, TWIC, start MMC)
Obtain union physicals, drug test, vaccines, dental examination

Step

Scheduling letter sent
Travel arranged with admissions
Arrange uniforms



# Unlicensed Apprentice - Costs



TWIC \$125

Passport \$160

MMC \$140

**Union Exams \$270** 

Uniforms \$475

Total \$1,170

- Union Exams cover the following:
  - UA Physical, Drug screening,
     MSC Shots
    - \*Additional drug screen\$60
    - \*Functional Capacity \$165
- Travel not included in costs



# U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Northwestern Division Hydro Power Plant Training Program





# Northwestern Division (nwd)

#### HYDRO POWER PLANT TRAINING PROGRAM (HPPTP)

- JASON GOODFELLOW
  - HPPTP MANAGER
  - CHIEF JOSEPH DAM
    - SEATTLE DISTRICT









# U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)

#### Mission:

Provide vital public engineering services in peace and war to strengthen our Nation's security, energize the economy, and reduce risks from disasters.

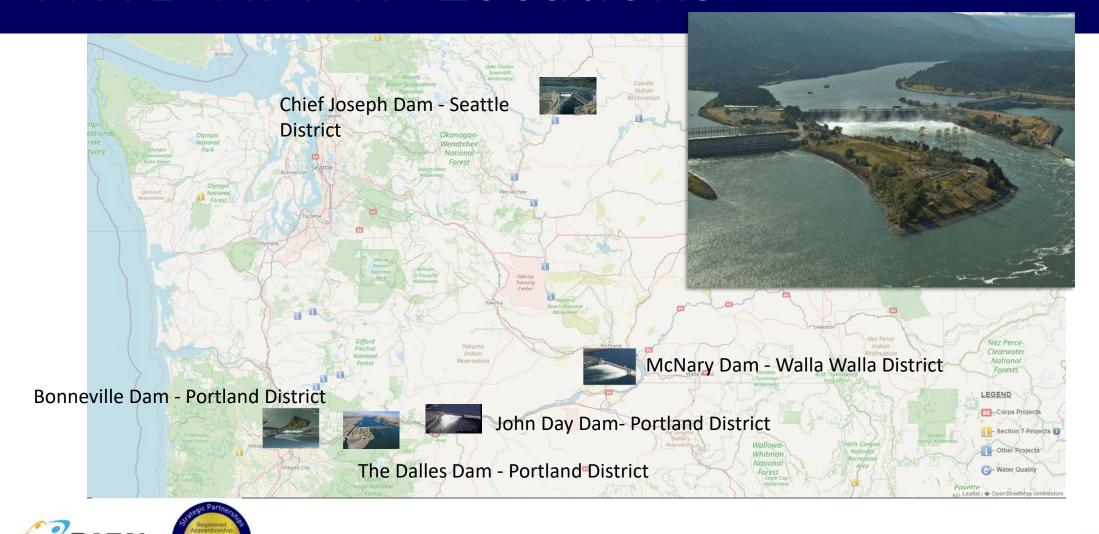


- 9 Divisions
  - Transatlantic Division has 2 Districts overseas in Afghanistan
  - Support to over 100 countries
- 46 Districts across the U.S., Europe, and Asia
  - Northwestern Division Districts
    - Walla Walla
    - Seattle
    - Portland
    - Omaha
    - Kansas City





# NWD HPPTP Locations



## NWD HPPTP

- The mission of the Apprenticeship Program is to enable students to assimilate "corporate" knowledge quickly by using a variety of training methodologies.
- The program's primary goal is to produce and maintain highly skilled Journey Level workers to ensure continuous and reliable operation of hydropower facilities within the NWD.
  - The program is designed to provide trainees, apprentices and Journey Level workers with a thorough and up-to-date knowledge of the operation and maintenance of the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers' hydropower facilities.
  - This will be accomplished by giving students a strong background in theory and plant system operation, that will enable them to make use of the high quality On the Job Training (OJT) provided in the field.







## HPPTP Crafts

This training program provides specific orientation, guidance and instruction on the various aspects of hydroelectric power station operation and maintenance. The three craft occupational specialties include:

- Power Plant Operator
- Power Plant Electrician
- Power Plant Mechanic











# Hiring and Structure

- Hiring is based on the respective district/project's needs.
- Program is designed for entry-level positions.
- A 4-year program with potential to receive credit for previous experience, as determined by the respective district's programs.
- Placement is determined by respective district's requirements.





# Wages and Benefits

Wages are based on the Northwest Power Rate Schedule:

• Year 1 Trainee: \$33.52

Year 2 Apprentice: \$42.53

Year 3 Apprentice: \$49.39

Year 4 Apprentice: \$56.24

Journey-level: \$59.19

#### Benefits:

- 104 hours of annual sick leave.
- 104 hours of annual vacation leave (starting rate).
- Medical insurance.
- 11 paid federal holidays.
- Retirement Investment Plan/Thrift Savings Plan (TSP).
- Life insurance.





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Walla Walla HPPTP webpage:
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# Questions and Answers



## Contact Us, Become a Partner

- ☑ Receive no-cost expert TA, materials, and assistance
- ✓ Network with potential partners nationwide
- ☑ Be nationally recognized for your work





## THANK YOU FOR JOINING US

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