Rural Community Energy

Wallowa Resources Community Solutions Inc.

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Wallowa County



- NE Corner of Oregon
- 3,000 square miles
- 57% federal land, the majority of which is forested
- There are currently just over 45,000 acres of irrigated farmland
- 200,000+ acre-feet per year irrigation
- 7,000 residents
- Ag, resource based, professional services and tourism economy



About Wallowa Resources Community Solutions Inc.



- WRCSI's mission: To provide capital, business and technical services to support and create businesses that generate benefits to the community and the environment.
- Core business is renewable energy project development.





Benefits of Community Energy Projects



- Economic Development (keeping energy \$\$ in the community)
- Rural Community agency over energy choices
- Community Resilience (long term and in natural disaster or Public Power Safety Shutoff)
- Natural Resource Stewardship (Forest Management, Irrigation Modernization)
- Improve working land values















