

Pole Attachments - Frequently Asked Questions

Q: How do I contact Grant PUD about pole attachments?

A: Please contact the Joint Use Department (contact information below) if you have any questions about the attachment process.

Q: What are the pole attachment steps?

A: If you don't have a valid pole attachment license agreement with Grant PUD, start with step 1 below. Otherwise, skip to step 3.

- 1. Review and execute Grant PUD's <u>Pole Attachment License Agreement</u>. Please let us know when you are ready to sign, include the name and email address for your signatory, and we will start the DocuSign process.
- 2. Forward a <u>Certificate of Insurance</u> documenting compliance with the insurance requirements specified in Section 17 <u>Insurance</u> of the agreement.
- 3. Work with a professional engineer licensed in the State of Washington to perform load studies on the poles that you are wanting to utilize. Grant PUD cannot recommend or pre-approve engineers for this work, nor does Grant PUD provide this service. The Licensee is responsible for ensuring the firm they utilize for the load studies is compliant with Section 6.3 <u>Professional</u> Certification of the agreement.
- 4. Should Licensee require information such as wire sizes from Grant PUD in order to complete the load study, please send requests for information to the Joint Use Department.
 - Send a completed, signed <u>Application for Permit</u> and application fee (refer to your agreement) to the Joint Use Department.
- Send the load study and design worksheets to the Joint Use Department. In the event the files are too large to email, Grant PUD will work with the Licensee to transfer the files via Grant PUD's SFTP site.
- 6. Grant PUD will review the application, load study, finalize the timeline and any cost contributions in accordance with RCW 54.04.045.
- 7. Licensee accepts the cost and timeline and submits payment for make ready work, if any.
- 8. Grant PUD authorizes the Licensee to attach by countersigning the applicable application and sends a copy to the Licensee.
- 9. Grant PUD completes any make ready work.
- 10. Prior to installing any attachments, Licensee schedules a pre-construction site visit with Grant PUD.
- 11. Once attachments have been installed, Licensee schedules a post construction inspection with Grant PUD.
- 12. Upon completion of the post construction inspection, and acceptance by Grant PUD, billing for the recurring rate begins.

Q: What if a proposed attachment requires power?

A: If electric service is required for an attachment, the Licensee must also submit a completed <u>Service</u> Connection Agreement to Grant PUD at <u>ServiceExpediter@gcpud.org</u> as part of Step 4 above.

Q: How will I be notified when Grant PUD completes its review of the application?

A: If the application is approved, Grant PUD will countersign the applicable application and send a copy to the Licensee. If the application is rejected, Grant PUD will notify the Licensee in writing.

Q: What happens if I do not fill out an application and I attach to Grant PUD poles?

A: Attachments not approved in advance by Grant PUD are unauthorized attachments and will be subject to an **Unauthorized Attachment Fee** under Appendix A.

Q: How much space do I have on the pole?

A: Please see Joint Use Standards and follow NESC guidelines.

Q: What is my minimum clearance?

A: Please see the Joint Use Standards booklet and follow the NESC guidelines.

Q: What are the insurance requirements for attachments to Grant PUD poles?

A: Please see our Pole Attachment License Agreement.

Q: How do I notify Grant PUD of existing attachments that will be removed?

A: By submitting a completed, signed Application for Permit to the Joint Use Department.

Q: What is the process for an overlash?

A: A completed, signed Application for Permit is required for an overlash. If prior authorization is not received from Grant PUD, an overlash will be deemed an unauthorized attachment and will be subject to an **Unauthorized Attachment Fee** under Appendix A.

Q: Is a pole load study needed for an overlash?

A: Yes. A pole load study will need to be performed by a certified Professional Engineer licensed in the State of Washington. Please see Section 6.3 <u>Professional Certification</u> of the <u>Pole Attachment</u> <u>License Agreement</u>.

Q: What is the pole attachment fee and permitting costs?

A: The pole attachment fee is \$17.55 per pole, per year. The permit application fee for up to 20 poles is \$100.00 per application, and \$250.00 for 21 or more poles, per application. Please see Appendix A <u>Fees and Charges</u> on the <u>Pole Attachment License Agreement.</u>

Q: What information is needed on the Cable Tag (Joint Use Tag)?

A: Cable Tag (Joint Use Tag) must include the Licensee's Company Name and a 24-hour emergency number to permit notification by Grant PUD or local authorities if needed.

Please send all questions and documentation to one of the following:

Email	Phone	Mail
PoleAttachments@gcpud.org	509-766-2512	Grant PUD No. 2
		Joint Use Administrator
		312 West 3 rd Ave
		Moses Lake, WA 98837

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