

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-030

A RESOLUTION OF JEFFERSON PUD APPROVING  
ENERGY NORTHWEST'S UNDERTAKING OF THE  
HORN RAPIDS SOLAR, STORAGE, AND TRAINING  
PROJECT

WHEREAS, Jefferson PUD is a member of Energy Northwest, a joint operating agency of the State of Washington organized and existing pursuant to RCW 43.52. et seq.; and

WHEREAS, Energy Northwest's Board of Directors was briefed in 2016 on the feasibility and benefits of the Horn Rapids Solar, Storage, and Training Project (HRSST Project), contemplated to be a four MWDC photovoltaic solar project paired with a 1MW Vanadium Flow battery energy storage system to be sited in Richland and owned and operated by Energy Northwest; and

WHEREAS, the ownership structure has changed since that time and Energy Northwest's Project (EN Project) now consists of the 1 MW Vanadium Flow battery energy storage system with a private entity separately owning the solar project; and

WHEREAS, the City of Richland has agreed to be the off-taker of the power and will enter into a participant agreement with Energy Northwest for the use of the battery energy storage system, with the participant agreement providing that the City will have full financial responsibility for the EN Project; and

WHEREAS, the value of energy storage systems has gained focus in the electric industry with the increased renewable energy requirements and, thus, Energy Northwest owning and operating the battery energy storage system portion of the HRSST Project is beneficial to the electric ratepayers of the Pacific Northwest as demand for battery energy storage systems grows; and

WHEREAS, RCW 43.52.360 requires approval by a majority of Energy Northwest