



Call to Artists:

Mural Project at Hydroelectric Powerhouse

Snohomish County PUD is seeking a talented artist to create a mural that celebrates clean energy, education, and Pacific Northwest ecology at our Woods Creek Hydroelectric Powerhouse in Monroe, WA

Project Overview

Snohomish County PUD invites professional artists to submit qualifications for an art mural to be installed on the exterior wall of their powerhouse located at the Woods Creek Hydroelectric Project and Sustainability Center.

The Woods Creek Sustainability Center is a run-of-the-river hydroelectric project and educational hub operated by Snohomish County PUD. The site includes a food forest, pollinator gardens, and restoration areas. Snohomish PUD offers free field trips for local schools and hosts community events that showcase how clean energy and healthy ecosystems can coexist to support sustainability.

This mural will celebrate the intersection of clean energy, environmental stewardship, education, and Pacific Northwest Ecology.

Issued by: Snohomish County Public Utility District No. 1 (Snohomish County PUD)

Location: Monroe, Washington

Project Start Date: Summer 2026

Budget: \$10,000

Submissions Open: February 2, 2026

Deadline to apply: March 10, 2026

Notification of selection: March 31, 2026

Contact: Mural@snopud.com

Eligibility

- ✦ Open to professional artists.
- ✦ Preference will be given to artists residing in Snohomish County.
- ✦ Artists must be 18 years or older at the time of application.
- ✦ Experience with large-scale outdoor murals or projects of similar scope preferred.
- ✦ Artists must be able to work safely on-site and comply with all utility safety protocols and scheduling requirements.

Theme & Goals

The mural should reflect themes such as:

- Local ecology, native flora and fauna, and waterways
- Environmental stewardship
- Clean energy
- Hydropower friendly
- Family friendly

The goal of this mural is to enrich student field trips and guest visits to the hydroelectric powerhouse by transforming the building's exterior into a celebration of the surrounding natural environment. The mural, inspired by local ecological themes, will both beautify the site and deepen visitors' connection to the landscape and its role in sustainable energy.



Site Details

- **Location:** Woods Creek Hydroelectric Project / Sustainability Center, 10710 Hand Road, Monroe, WA; located on the east fork of Woods Creek
- **Wall dimensions:** 41 X 10 ft
- **Surface:** Smoothed concrete wall with minor imperfections.
- **Accessibility:** The mural site is located outdoors, over uneven terrain, and around a functioning hydro project. There is a steep slope to and from the powerhouse that a vehicle can access. A safety plan will be required upon selection. There will be an opportunity for a pre-selection site viewing of our facility.

Budget

The total budget of \$10,000 includes:

- Artist fee
- Materials and supplies
- Equipment rental
- Travel
- Insurance and permits

Timeline

Dates are subject to change

Phase	Dates
RFQ Published/Call Opens	February 2, 2026
Artist Deadline to Apply	March 10, 2026
Artist Qualification Evaluations begin	March 11, 2026
Final Artist Selection	March 31, 2026
Contract Negotiations/Design Development	April -June
Final Designs and Site Preparation Begins	June
Mural Installation	July-September
Unveiling	September/October

Submission Requirements

Please submit the following:

1. **Artist Biography:** Provide a concise overview of your artistic journey, including key influences and any experience with public art or comparable projects.
2. **Portfolio Samples:** Submit up to five (5) images showcasing previous work that reflects your style and demonstrates your ability to create large-scale or community-focused pieces.
3. **Interest Statement:** Share a short paragraph explaining your motivation for applying and how your art aligns with themes of clean energy, environmental stewardship, and community identity.
4. **Professional References:** Contact information for two professional references who can speak to your ability to successfully complete this project

Selection Criteria

Artists will be selected based on:

- Artistic quality and originality
- Experience with public art and murals
- Ability to complete the project on time and within budget
- Alignment to project theme and site context
- Ability to work collaboratively with community stakeholders and project staff

A Snohomish PUD employee committee of stakeholders will review applications and recommend an artist for selection.

How to Apply

Submit all materials via email to Mural@snopud.com

Submission questions can be answered in the body of the email, while artwork samples should be submitted as attachments.

Sample Professional Services Contract

The selected artist will be required to sign the PUD's Professional Services Contract. Feel free to reach out to the PUD employee listed below to receive an advance copy to review/revise.



Questions

For questions or accommodations, please contact:

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Learn more about Woods Creek Hydroelectric Project and the Woods Creek Sustainability Center at snopud.com/woodscreek