

Re: Call for Applicants for PUD Commissioner (District No. 1)

Dear Thurston County PUD Commission District No. 1 Residents,

The Public Utility District No 1 of Thurston County (Thurston PUD) is soliciting applications for an expected future Thurston PUD commissioner vacancy representing District No. 1 (see link to map below for District No. 1 boundaries). Thurston PUD is a public utility district officially formed in 1938 by a vote of the people, which currently owns and operates 271 water systems, serving families, businesses, schools, and parks. Thurston PUD provides water planning and utility services to the citizens of Thurston County and in some select nearby counties.

A map identifying the Thurston PUD district boundaries can be found at:

[https://www.co.thurston.wa.us/apps/auditor-election-maps/countywide/auditor\\_countywide\\_public\\_utility\\_districts.pdf](https://www.co.thurston.wa.us/apps/auditor-election-maps/countywide/auditor_countywide_public_utility_districts.pdf)

**Commissioner Position Description** – An Interim Appointed PUD Commissioner operates under the authority and duties established by Title 54 of the Revised Code of Washington. The primary duties of a Commissioner are to establish and oversee policy for the PUD, adopt by resolution the rules governing the transaction of District business, pass an annual budget, approve utility rates, bonds and other financing such as Public Works Trust Fund loans and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund loans, and to appoint and remove the General Manager. The Commissioner may be actively involved in attending various meetings with organizations like the Washington PUD Association, Thurston Regional Planning Commission, water basin technical water quality groups, or water resource inventory groups.

If you are a registered voter within District No. 1 interested in becoming a PUD Commissioner, then Thurston PUD would like to hear from you. Letters of interest should be submitted by email to [jweidenfeller@thurstonpud.org](mailto:jweidenfeller@thurstonpud.org) with a preference for submission on or before July 15, 2025. Please include in your letter of interest the following:

1. A statement of interest and general qualifications for the position.
2. Your contact information, confirmation of your permanent address, and statement indicating you are a registered voter.
3. Your Resume.

Please note that once you provide these materials, they are considered a public record and subject to public release.

Once a vacancy occurs, Thurston PUD Commissioners will nominate a person or persons for the office and publish a Notice of Vacancy pursuant to RCW 54.12.010 and chapter 42.12 RCW, after which time additional nominations will be accepted.

If you have any questions, please contact John Weidenfeller at [jweidenfeller@thurstonpud.org](mailto:jweidenfeller@thurstonpud.org) or at (360) 763-5838.