

# Rocky Mountain Hydroelectric Facilities



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Pacific Power  
Rocky Mountain Power  
PacifiCorp Energy

## The use of emission-free hydroelectric resources at PacifiCorp predates our incorporation in 1912.

Our predecessor companies found that rivers were ideal for turning turbine blades to generate electricity.

In a carbon-conscious age, our hydroelectric facilities continue to play a considerable role in meeting our long-range plan to remain among the lowest-cost energy producers in the nation.

PacifiCorp operates 20 hydroelectric developments in the Rocky Mountains. They provide more than 145 megawatts of efficient, low-cost electricity to our customers.

Hydropower adds flexibility to our resource portfolio for our customers. Generating plants powered by coal or natural gas cannot accommodate rapid changes in demand as swiftly as hydropower, so we often use our hydro units to serve the “peak” demand or as standby to supply as required reserve power for our customers.

For example, on a typical mid-summer day, our customers’ peak demand for electricity is in the late afternoon due to an increase in air conditioning. During this peak, PacifiCorp releases additional stored water from the reservoirs through our powerhouses to generate more electricity.

Although technology doesn’t allow us to actually store electricity, our reservoirs can store water, the naturally clean and renewable fuel that powers our hydroelectric generators.

HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT	LOCATION	GENERATING CAPACITY	OPERATING SINCE
Ashton/St. Anthony	Southeastern Idaho	7.35 MW	1915–1925
Bear River	Southern Idaho	77 MW	1909–1927
Cutler	Northern Utah	30 MW	1924
Small facilities	Idaho, Montana, Utah, Wyoming	31.7 MW	1896–1986

## Recreation at our hydroelectric facilities

Generating recreation opportunities with the same resources we use to generate power is one additional way we provide for the community.

We’re serious about serving as a steward of thousands of acres of fish and wildlife habitat. We maintain and enhance the natural resources – and make significant investments – while we retain considerable benefits for our customers in the form of low-cost, emission-free resources.

*Grace Hydroelectric Development*



And we share the recreational opportunities of our land and water resources with neighbors and visitors. At several PacifiCorp facilities, you are welcome to camp, picnic, boat, enjoy whitewater activities, fish, bird watch, hike or simply enjoy the natural surroundings.

Visit [pacificorp.com/recreation](http://pacificorp.com/recreation) for details about the recreation amenities – and any fees – at our hydroelectric developments in the Rockies.

HYDROELECTRIC DEVELOPMENTS	CAMP SITES	PICNIC TABLES	RESTROOMS	FISHING ACCESS	BOAT LAUNCH
<b>Ashton</b>	no	4	yes	yes	yes
<b>Bear River</b> North Beach Unit of Bear Lake State Park <i>(Idaho Parks and Recreation Department, land leased from PacifiCorp)</i>	no	73	yes	no	yes
<b>Soda Springs Reservoir</b> Oregon Trail Marina <i>(Caribou County, PacifiCorp provides funding assistance)</i>	no	20	yes	yes	yes
Second Bridge Boating Area <i>(Caribou County, land leased from PacifiCorp)</i>	no	2	yes	yes	yes
Soda Day-Use Area	no	5	yes	yes	no
<b>Grace</b> Black Canyon Boater Put-In	no	no	yes	yes	yes
Black Canyon Boater Take-Out	no	no	yes	yes	yes
<b>Oneida</b> Maple Grove Campground <i>(BLM, funding assistance from PacifiCorp)</i>	14	14	yes	yes	yes
Oneida Day-Use Area	no	7	yes	yes	yes
Boater Put-In	no	no	yes	yes	yes
Red Point Campground <i>(BLM, funding assistance from PacifiCorp)</i>	9	9	yes	yes	no
Boater Take-Out	no	no	yes	yes	yes
<b>Cutler</b> Benson Marina	no	no	yes	yes	yes
Benson Railroad Loop Nature Trail	no	6	yes	yes	yes
Clay Slough Access	no	3	yes	yes	yes
Cutler Canyon	no	no	no	no	no
Cutler Marsh Marina	no	no	no	yes	no
Little Bear River Access	no	6	yes	yes	yes
Logan River Access	no	1	yes	yes	yes
Lower Bear River Overlook	no	no	yes	yes	yes
Upper Bear River Access	no	no	yes	yes	no
<b>Small Hydros</b> Stairs	no	10	yes	no	no
Weber	no	4	yes	yes	yes

Soda Hydroelectric Development

## Check the flow before you go

For river flow information, please visit [pacificorp.com/waterrelease](http://pacificorp.com/waterrelease) or call 800-547-1501.

*Disclaimer: PacifiCorp is by no means promoting or inviting the public to participate in water activities. Water management data are estimates of river flows. Please beware and use caution, as actual river flows may be vastly different because of operational changes at the dams due to weather conditions. Remember: these are estimates only and are subject to change without notice.*

PacifiCorp is one of the lowest-cost electricity producers in the United States, providing approximately 1.7 million customers in the West with reliable, efficient energy. PacifiCorp operates as Rocky Mountain Power in Utah, Wyoming and Idaho, and as Pacific Power in Oregon, Washington and California. PacifiCorp's electric generation, commercial and energy trading, and mining functions are operated as PacifiCorp Energy.

*Some of the renewable attributes associated with PacifiCorp's owned hydro electric facilities may be used to comply with state renewable portfolio standards or other regulatory requirements, or sold to third parties in the form of renewable energy credits or other environmental commodities.*

