

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

IN THE MATTER OF:

NOTICE OF HEARING FOR THE RENEWAL OF A
FRANCHISE TO LEWIS COUNTY PUD NO. 1 TO
INSTALL, CONSTRUCT, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN
TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES IN LEWIS
COUNTY ROAD RIGHTS OF WAY

RESOLUTION NO. 26-106

WHEREAS, Lewis County Code 12.20 and RCW 36.55 require that all utility installations in county road rights of way be authorized by a franchise from Lewis County; and

WHEREAS, an application for a renewal of a franchise has been received by the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) from Lewis County PUD No. 1 to install, construct, operate and maintain telecommunications facilities in Lewis County road rights of way; and

WHEREAS, said application and all related materials have been reviewed by the BOCC and found appropriate for further proceedings; and

WHEREAS, written comment may be submitted in person at the BOCC, 351 NW North Street, Room 210, Chehalis, WA 98532 or via email at bocc@lewiscountywa.gov beginning at 10 a.m. April 8, 2026. Written comment must be clearly marked "Written comment for May 5, 2026, hearing" and must be received by 10 a.m. May 4, 2026.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the BOCC will hold a public hearing on the proposed acceptance of the franchise at or after 10 a.m., on May 5, 2026. The hearing will take place at the Lewis County Courthouse, Commissioners' Hearing Room, 351 NW North Street, Chehalis, Wash., as set forth in the Notice of Public Hearing attached hereto. Interested parties are encouraged to check the Commissioners' hearing schedule online at <https://lewiscountywa.gov/offices/commissioners/agendas-calendar/> for updated details as the hearing date approaches. The Clerk of the BOCC is hereby instructed to proceed with all appropriate and necessary notifications, posting and publication as required by RCW 36.55.040.

DONE IN OPEN SESSION this 7th day of April, 2026.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Jonathan Meyer, Prosecuting Attorney

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

David Bailey
By: David Bailey,
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Sean D. Swope, Commissioner

NOTICE OF HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of County Commissioners, Lewis County, Washington (BOCC), has received an application for the renewal of a non-exclusive franchise from LEWIS COUNTY PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1, to install, construct, operate, and maintain telecommunications facilities located within Lewis County roads right of way in the following description:

All territory bounded as follows, to wit: beginning at the northwest corner of Section 18, Township 15N, Range 5W; thence along the west boundary of Range 5W to the southwest corner of Township 11N, Range 5W; thence east along the south boundary of Township 11N to the summit of the Cascade mountains; thence northerly along said summit to a point due east of the head of Nisqually River; thence west to the head the Nisqually River; thence westerly down the channel of the river to a point two miles north of the line between Townships 14N and 15N; thence west to the northwest corner of Section 26, Township 15N, Range 4W; thence west to point of beginning.

The franchise being considered is for a period of ten years.

The application and all related materials have been reviewed by the BOCC and found appropriate for further proceedings.

A hearing on the non-exclusive franchise will be held on May 5, 2026, at or after the hour of 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners' Hearing Room on the 2nd floor of the Historic Courthouse in Chehalis, Washington, when and where all persons may appear and be heard upon the granting of the franchise. Please look at the Commissioners' hearing schedule at <https://lewiscountywa.gov/offices/commissioners/agendas-calendar/> as May 5, 2026, approaches for updated details.

RCW 36.55.040 requires that notice of hearing be posted in three public places in the county seat of the county at least 15 days before the day fixed for hearing and also published two times in the official newspaper of the county, the last publication to be not less than 5 days before the day fixed for hearing.

Written comment may be submitted in person at the BOCC, 351 NW North Street, Room 210, Chehalis, WA 98532 or via email at bocc@lewiscountywa.gov beginning 10 a.m. April 8, 2026. Written comment must be clearly marked "Written comment for Proposed Approval of a Franchise to Lewis County Public Utility District No.1, to install, construct, operate, and maintain telecommunications facilities in Lewis County Road Rights of Way, May 5, 2026 Hearing" and must be received by 10 a.m. May 4, 2026.

It is the policy of Lewis County that no person shall, on the basis of race, color, or national origin, as provided by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise discriminated against under any of its Federally funded programs and activities. Any person who believes his/her Title VI protections have been violated may file a complaint with WSDOT's Office of Equal Opportunity (OEO). For additional information regarding Title VI complaint procedures and/or information regarding our nondiscrimination obligations, please contact Lewis County's Title VI Coordinator at 360-740-2612.

Dated: April 7, 2026



Rieva Lester, CMC, Clerk of the Lewis County Board
of County Commissioners



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LCPUD TELEC. FRANCHISE

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BOCC AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Resolution:

BOCC Meeting Date: April 7, 2026

Suggested Wording for Agenda Item:

Agenda Type: Legal Notice

Notice of hearing for the renewal of a franchise to Lewis County PUD No. 1 to install, construct, operate and maintain telecommunications facilities in Lewis County road rights of way

Contact: Pamela Fernandez

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Description:

Lewis County Code 12.20 and RCW 36.55 require that all utility installations in county rights of way be authorized by a franchise from Lewis County. An application for renewal of a franchise has been received by the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) from Lewis County PUD No. 1, to install, construct, operate, and maintain telecommunications facilities in Lewis County road rights of way.

This resolution sets a hearing at or after 10 a.m. May 5, 2026. The hearing will take place in the Commissioners hearing room on the 2nd floor of the Historic Courthouse in Chehalis, Washington, as the time and place for the hearing on the franchise request and further instructs the Clerk of the BOCC to proceed with all appropriate and necessary notifications, posting and publication as required by RCW 36.55.040. Interested parties are encouraged to check the Commissioners' hearing schedule online at <https://lewiscountywa.gov/offices/commissioners/agendas-calendar/> as the hearing date approaches for updated details.

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