OSPREYCAM IS LIVE!

We are so excited to announce that our OspreyCam is live again! It took a little longer this season as we upgraded to add a second camera with a different view and you now have audio thanks to our partner, Last Mile Gear!

You will also notice a new aluminum platform. This was absolutely necessary to upgrade the platform as the plywood was rotting and crumbling away. The osprey have taken to the new platform and seem to enjoy the new perches as well.

Our female osprey returned on March 22nd and the male returned on March 29th. Mating began occurring on April 2nd and nest building is ongoing.

Again, we apologize for the delay but we are so excited for the second camera and microphone. We hope you enjoy it as much as we think you will!!

The OspreyCam is now streaming through YouTube, you can access through our website:
https://www.cowlitzpud.org/about/osprey-cam/
Or through the direct YouTube links below:
https://youtu.be/XfQslvpxTMk
https://youtu.be/0O26AdYXQC0

POWER POLE INSPECTION UNDERWAY

In order to expand the lifespan of our nearly 20,000 power poles, the PUD has established a maintenance program to inspect every pole about every ten years. This testing increases the average lifespan of the pole to 40-60 years, helps staff know which poles need to be repaired or replaced, and reduces expenses to the PUD and our customers.

This year’s testing, conducted by Pacific Pole Inspection, will focus on approximately 2,100 poles in the West Longview areas.

The inspection process includes both internal core testing and external observation to spot and eliminate damage caused by wind, insects and soil conditions. It will also look for potential safety hazards and ensure the clearance between power and communication company attachments meet compliance with established codes.

If you have any questions, please contact our Engineering Department at 360.501.9546
Commissioners Duane Dalgleish and Dave Quinn stand with the Cowlitz PUD food donation for Cowlitz County Backpack Buddy program. Cowlitz PUD employees donated over 5,000 items to help students in need.