WAPA serves Montana

Western Area Power Administration is one of four power marketing administrations within the Department of Energy that markets and transmits wholesale electricity. Its service area encompasses a 15-state region of the central and western U.S. where its 17,272-circuit-mile transmission system carries electricity from 57 hydroelectric powerplants. WAPA sells power to preference customers who in turn provide retail electric service to more than 40 million Americans.

**Powerplants and FY20 net production (GWh):**
- Canyon Ferry: 364
- Fort Peck: 1,248
- Yellowtail: 868

**Types of customers:**
- Power marketers: 9
- Native American tribes: 6
- Cooperatives: 4
- Irrigation districts: 3
- Investor-owned utilities: 2
- State agencies: 1
- Federal agencies: 1

**Projects:**

**Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program— Eastern Division**
Seven mainstem dams and powerplants on the Missouri River produce hydroelectric power for the Eastern Division of the Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program.

**Loveland Area Projects**
The Loveland Area Projects include the Fryingpan-Arkansas Project and the Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program—Western Division for marketing and rate-setting purposes.

**WAPA wholesale rates vs. Montana retail rates**

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**Map shows transmission infrastructure in Montana.**

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