

Coeur d'Alene Tribe  
Energy Efficiency & Conservation  
Block Grant (EE&CBG) Project  
Plummer, Idaho

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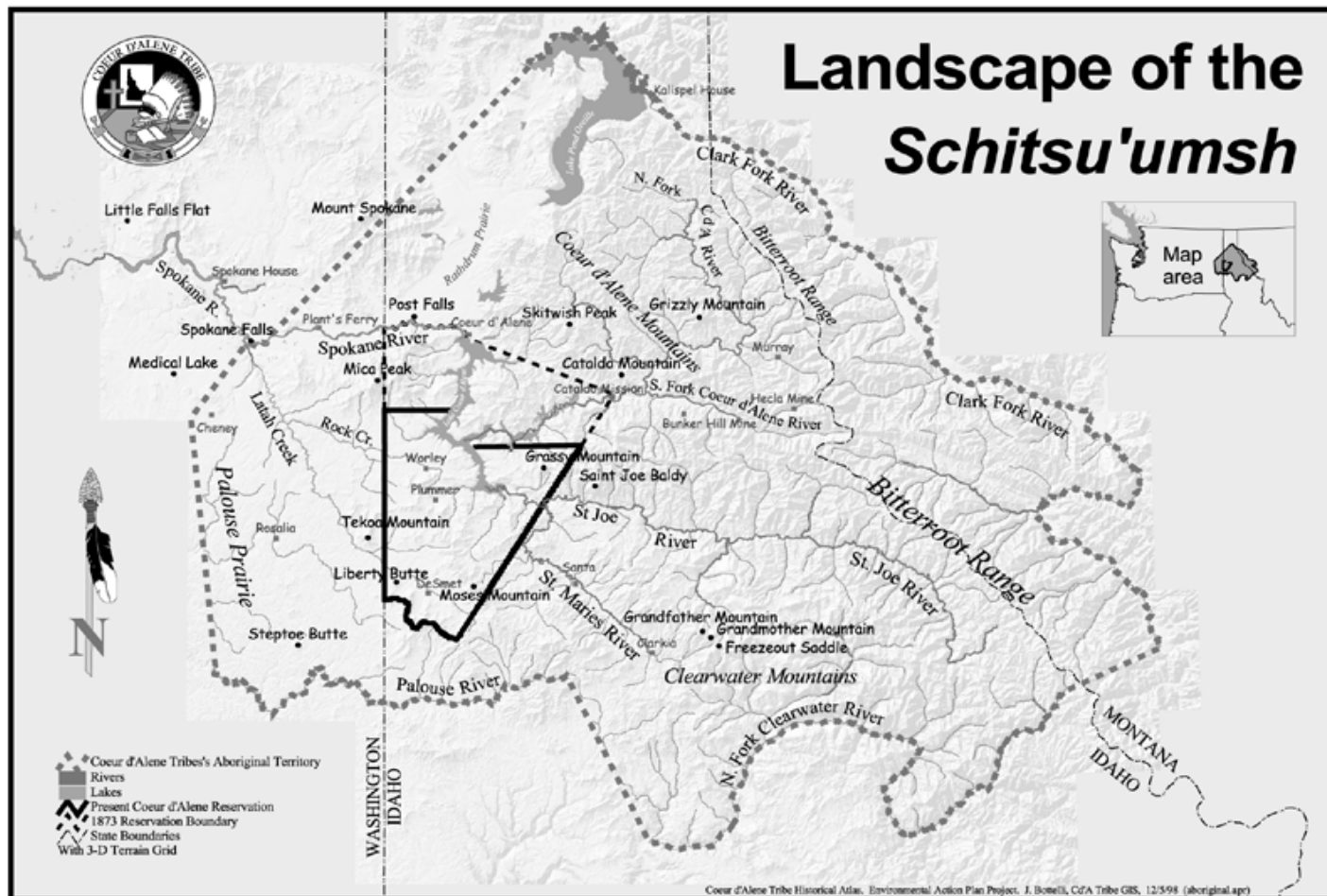
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# Coeur d'Alene Tribe Background

- The Coeur d'Alene Reservation is approximately 334,000 acres, not including Tribal submerged lands.
- Aboriginal territory = more than 5 million acres.
- Approximately 6,451 residents according to the 2000 Census.
- Tribal enrollment is ~2,299 and growing.
- Tribe relies on forestry, agriculture, gaming, etc. in the current economy.
- Tribe continues traditional subsistence activities such as fishing, hunting and gathering foods and medicine.

# Coeur d'Alene Tribal Map aboriginal and present reservation boundaries; Page 1 of 2





# Coeur d'Alene Tribe Present Reservation boundary Page 2 of 2



# History of the Tribal Natural Resource Department

- In 1992, the Tribal Natural Resource Department was established as a stand-alone Department.
- Currently, there are 7 programs in the NR Department: Air Quality, Environmental Programs Office, Fisheries, Forestry/Fire, Land Services, Pesticides and Wildlife.
- The Environmental Programs Office in the NR Department is administering the EE work.

# Energy Work Prior to EECBG



- In June 2008, Cascade, Inc. completed a Wind and Biomass Energy Feasibility Assessment for The Coeur d’Alene Tribe Public Works Department. Conclusions were;
  - Biomass energy (wind turbines) and waste to energy (wood waste) not good options.
  - Wind turbines; viable but checker board land ownership identified as problematic for wind turbine and tower application sites.

# EECBG Project Objectives

- The Tribe received \$68,400 from the EECBG Program to complete two objectives:
  1. Complete a Tribal Energy Efficiency & Conservation Strategy.
  2. Complete energy audits of Tribal buildings.



# EECBG Progress to Date Continued;

- Submitted a preliminary Energy Efficiency & Conservation Strategy to DOE by the deadline.
- Procured an energy consultant firm: McKinstry Essention in Seattle, WA. addressed the best practices for infrastructure operation improvements leading to utility efficiency and carbon footprint reduction.
- Conducted a kick-off Energy Efficiency Work Group meeting with Tribal Members and Partners.
- Leveraged DOE funding with Bonneville Power Administration funding (\$29,000 from BPA to McKinstry funded 9 of 34 Tribal building audits).

# EECBG Progress to Date

- Accompanied McKinstry on Tribal building audits.
- Held a second Energy Efficiency Work Group meeting to review draft energy audit report and revised EE&CS.
- Submitted all required grant documentation (quarterly financial and progress reports to [FederalReporting.com](http://FederalReporting.com) and PAGE websites as well as Historic Properties reports).
- Currently reviewing draft documents to finalize them for consideration by Tribal Council for approval.

# Partnerships

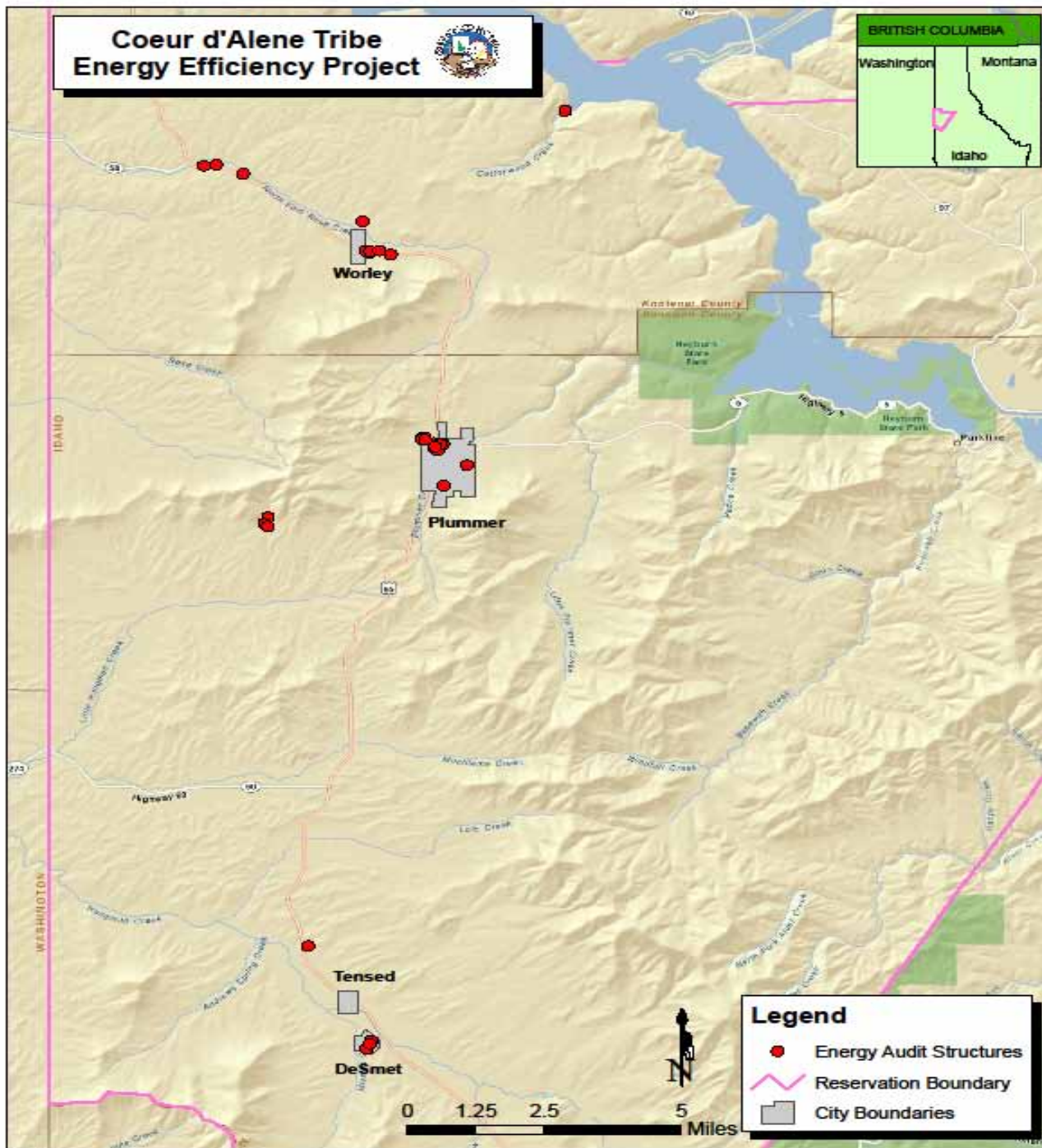
- Coeur d' Alene Tribe, Plummer, ID.
- McKinstry Essention, Inc. (Consultant), Seattle, WA.
- Bonneville Power Administration (BPA), Spokane, WA.
- Clearwater Power, Plummer, ID.
- Kootenai Electric, Plummer, ID.
- City of Plummer, ID.



# EECBG Lessons Learned

- Partnerships are important (*workgroup attendees; tribal employees, consultant firm and utility companies*).
- Leveraging resources is beneficial (*we could not audit the Tribal Casino with EECBG funds so BPA was able to fund that directly*).
- Turnover in key staff can pose difficulties.
- Small, inexpensive changes can save a lot (*Energy Conservation Measures such as weather-stripping and replacement of light fixtures*).

# Coeur d'Alene Tribe Energy Efficiency Project



<b>Project Specific Buildings</b>	<b>34 Tribally Owned Buildings</b>	<b>Northwest Region 10, Plummer, Idaho</b>
<b>Benewah Medical Center (BMC)</b>	<b>Tribal Housing Authority &amp; Shop</b>	<b>Tribal Police Headquarters</b>
<b>Tribal School</b>	<b>Finance Dept.</b>	<b>Veterans Building</b>
<b>Tribal School Bus Garage</b>	<b>Senior Housing Complex</b>	<b>Early Childhood Learning Center</b>
<b>Food Distribution Warehouse</b>	<b>Roads Maintenance</b>	<b>Echelon Building in Worley</b>
<b>Benewah Market</b>	<b>DeSmet Longhouse</b>	<b>Echelon Building in Plummer</b>
<b>Tribal Headquarters</b>	<b>Fire Warehouse</b>	<b>Social Services Building</b>
<b>Youth Shelter</b>	<b>Camp Larsen</b>	<b>Rose Creek Longhouse</b>
<b>Court Services</b>	<b>Depart. of Education</b>	<b>Benewah Auto</b>
<b>Technology Center</b>	<b>Facilities Dept. Building</b>	<b>Tribal Wellness Center</b>
<b>Felix Aripa Building</b>	<b>Tribal Casino Resort Hotel</b>	<b>Tribal Casino Gas Station</b>
<b>Tribal Farm</b>	<b>BIA Building</b>	<b>Tribal Casino Daycare</b>
		<b>Tribal Casino Golf Course</b>

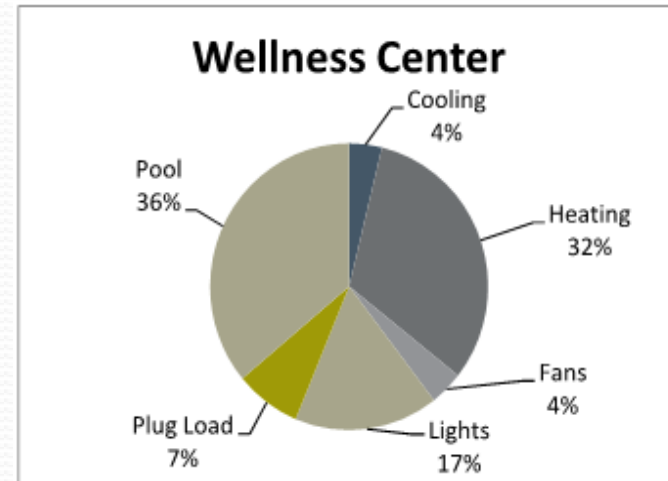
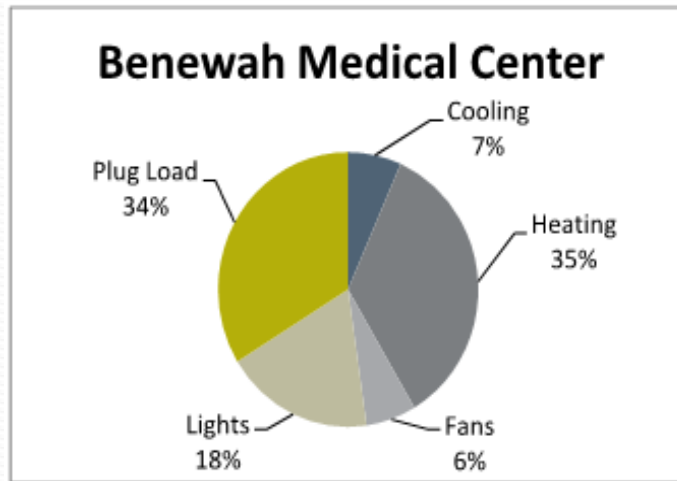
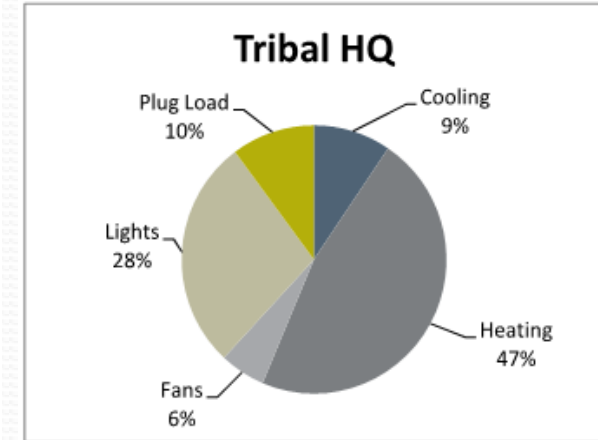
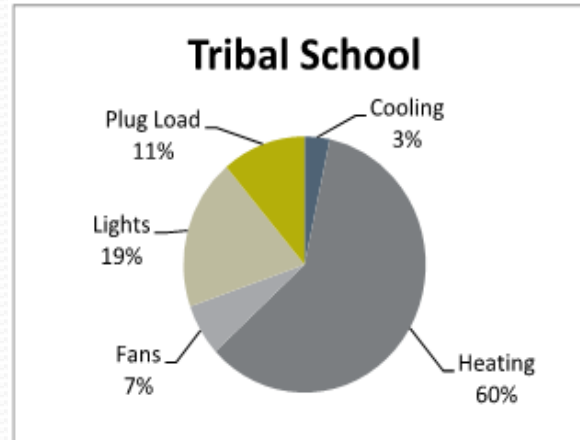
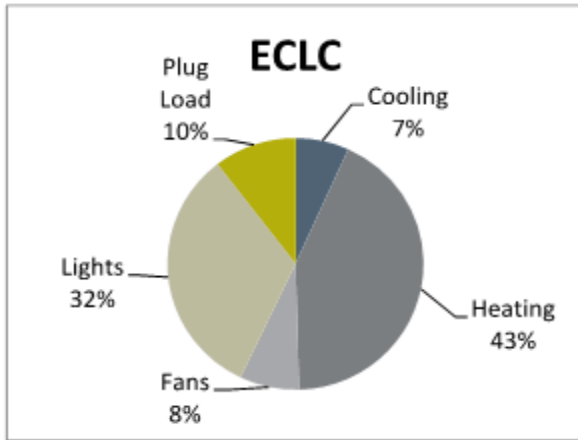


# 12 Top Recommended Energy Conservation Measures (ECM's)

<i>Measure</i>	<i>Simple Payback</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> New Thermostat Schedule	0
Weatherstripping	5 mo.
Add Programmable Thermostat	2.4 mo.
Computer Power Management	0-6 mo.
Add R-19 Ceiling Insulation	17 yr./7 mo.
Add Heat Pumps	14 yr.
Add Economizer Controls	38 yr.
Hot Water Tank Wrap	1 yr./7 mo.
Replace T-12 to T-8	3 yr./6 mo.
Occupancy Sensors	7 mo.
Incandescent to CFL/LED	1 yr./7 mo.
High Density Discharge (HID) to T5	8 yr./6 mo.

# 5 High Use Building Energy Profiles

(McKinstry.com)



# Benewah Medical Center

## BMC's Historical Energy Consumption

- A 2-story 13,800 sq. ft. medical clinic which serves the entire CDA Tribal geographic area.
- Business hours are Mon-Fri 8:00am-6:00pm.
- Uses approximately 630,000 kWh (kilowatt hours), annually electricity costs are \$35,000.
- Largest energy users are the lights (18%); Heating (35%); and the internal plug loads (34%), which are printers, computers and copiers.



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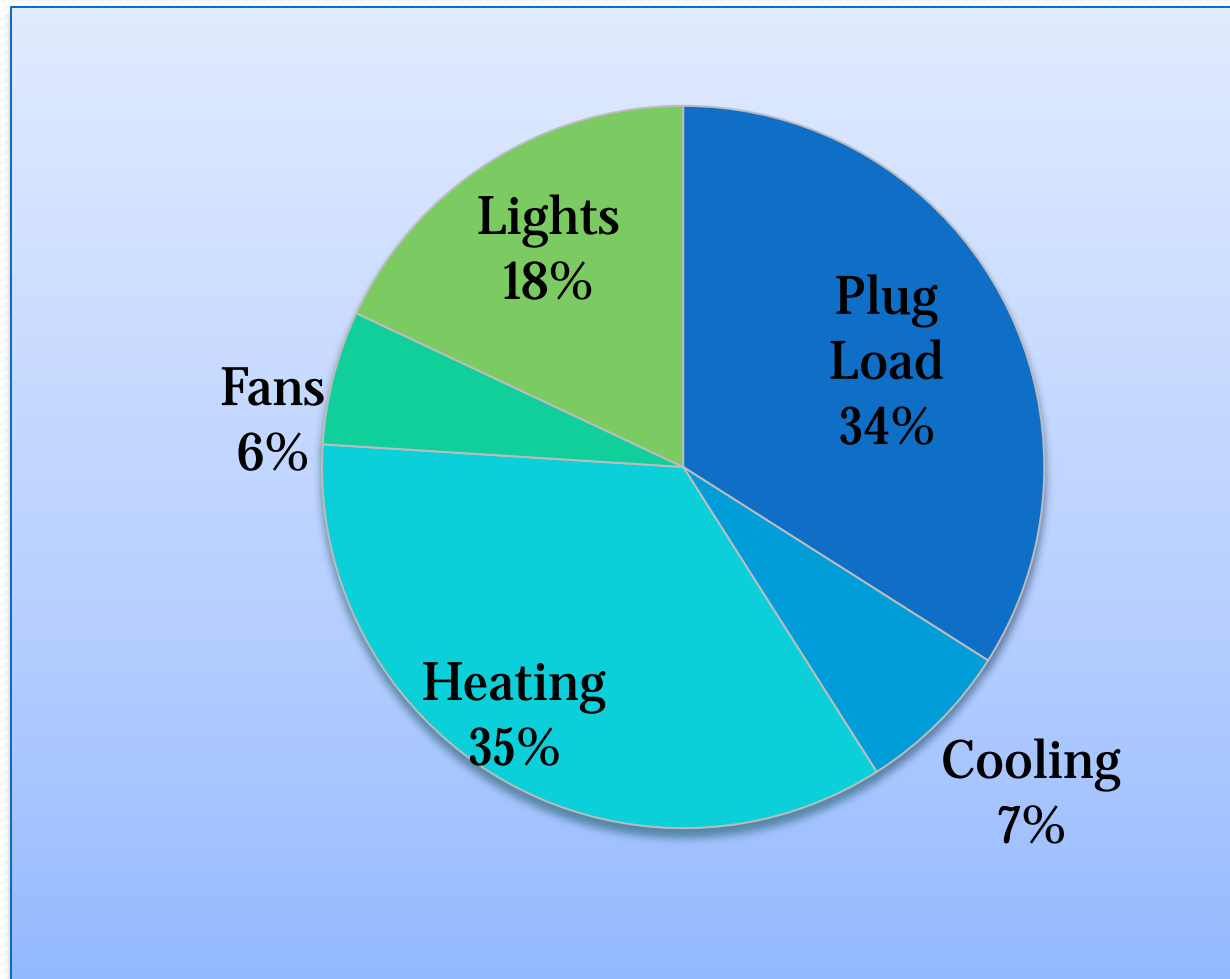
## Lighting Measures Summary

- Change 8-lamp 8ft T12 to 4-lamp 4ft T8 (low ballast factor).
- Change 4-lamp 4ft T12 to 4-lamp T8 (low ballast factor) or 3-lamp (standard ballast factor).
- Change 2-lamp 4ft T12 to 2-lamp 4ft T8 (low ballast factor).

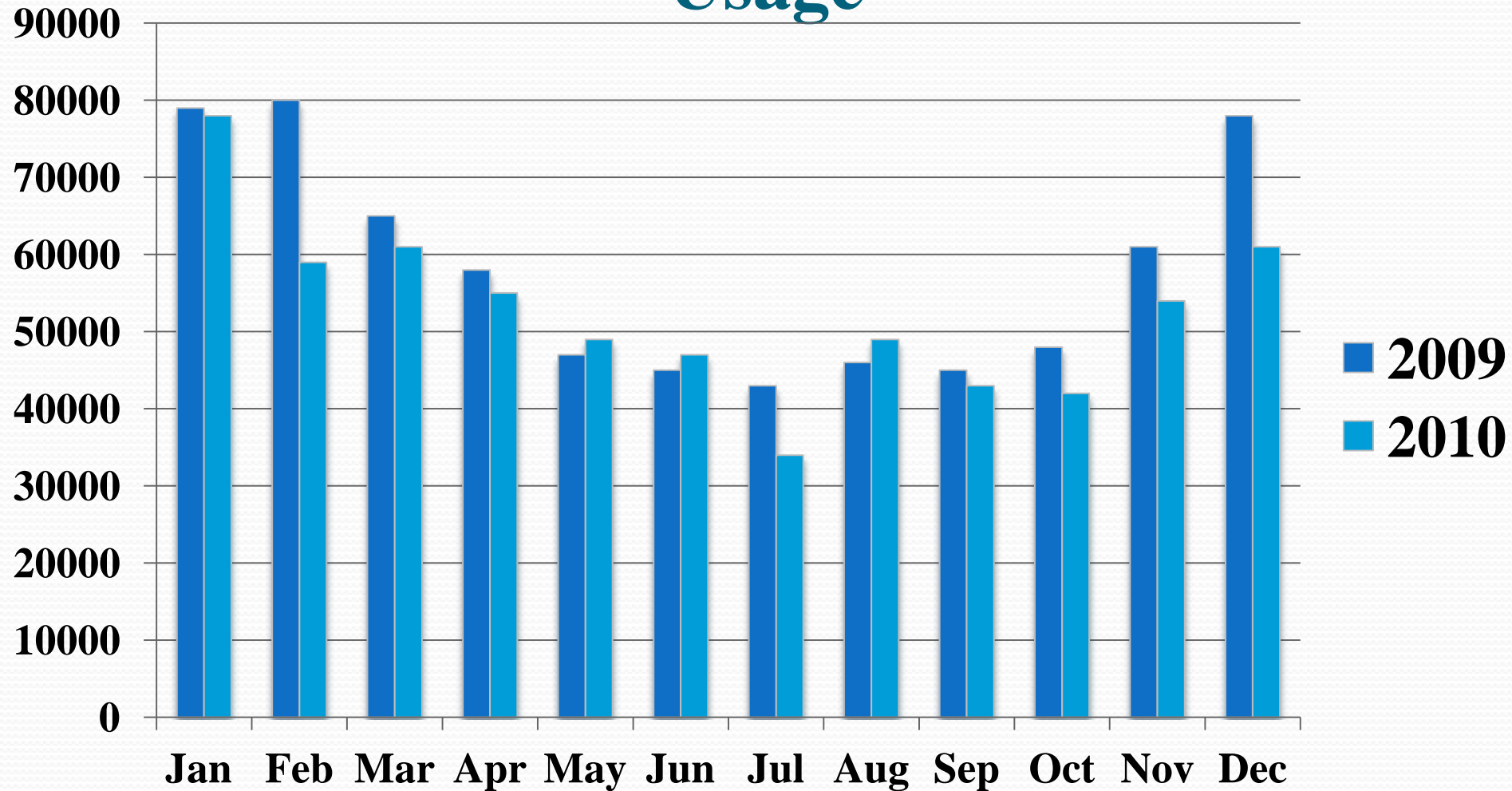


Ceiling Mounted Exhaust

# Benewah Medical Center Energy Use Break Down



# Benewah Medical Center Annual Electric Usage



# McKinstry's Comments on the Wind and Biomass Feasibility Study by Cascade Inc., 2008 Report; Needs Further Study

- **Wind**; *Need a more detailed analysis for viable wind threshold.*
- **Biomass**; *Reducing heat costs by converting to inexpensive biomass fuel source such as woodchips or pellets.*
- **Geothermal heat pumps or ground source heat pumps, geoexchange, water-source, earth coupled, and earth energy heat pumps**; *Most efficient and durable options on the market to heat and cool your facilities. Average life span of 20+ years for heat pump and 25-50 years for underground infrastructure.*



# NEW Energy Efficiency Feasibility Study

- Awarded a grant from the Department of Energy (DOE) for an Energy Efficiency Feasibility Study which picks up where the EECBG left off and includes the following components:
  - Conduct energy audits (*fill any gaps in McKinstry's work*).
  - Document current energy consumption (*fill gaps*).
  - Assess the economics (*help decide which measures to pursue*).
  - Conduct preliminary engineering (*for most promising work*).
  - Project energy savings or fossil fuel reduction and,
  - Assess potential financing options for implementation.

# Contact Information

- If you would like more information, please contact me at (208) 686-1088 or [sfox@cdatribe-nsn.gov](mailto:sfox@cdatribe-nsn.gov).
- Thank you for your time today.