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Benton PUD Bond Ratings Continue to be positive

(Kennewick) Benton PUD's bond ratings were affirmed by three rating services – S&P Global Ratings, Fitch Ratings and Moody's Investor Services.

S&P Global Ratings affirmed their 'A+' rating with a stable outlook. Fitch Ratings affirmed their 'A+' rating with a stable outlook. Moody's Investor Services affirmed their rating of 'Aa3'.

Overall the rating services attributed the excellent ratings to Benton PUD's competitive rates, favorable power supply, reduced exposure of wholesale sales and a history of maintaining solid financial metrics.

The rating agency reports can be found on the Benton PUD website at BentonPUD.org.

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Benton PUD serves over 51,000 customers in Kennewick, Prosser, Finley, Benton City and surrounding areas in Benton County with offices located at 2721 W. 10th Avenue in Kennewick and 250 N. Gap Road in Prosser.