MONTANA

Hydropower in

hydroelectric facilities

9,258,000

statewide annual hydroelectric generation (megawatt-hours)

of total energy statewide

37%

ibby Dam

72%

of total renewable energy statewide equivalent homes powered

858K

7.4 MIL

tons of carbon emissions avoided. That's like taking

1.6 MIL CARS

off the road.

Although Montana has the largest coal reserves in the US,

B OUT 10 of its largest power plants ARE HYDROPOWER FACILITIES!



N O R T H W E S T HYDROELECTRIC A S S O C I A T I O N

Other benefits of hydropower in Montana

JOBS & ECONOMY



expected growth in next year of electric power generation jobs

power generation

IVIRONME

water temperature monitoring and regulation to maintain safe conditions for aquatic species



wind isn't blowing

fish hatcheries and habitat restoration to help recover endangered species important to the state's history and cultural identity

protection of wildlife habitat such as oldgrowth forests, migratory corridors, and wetlands

RECREATION

Boating Kayaking Fishing Swimming Biking Hiking Wildlife viewing Camping & more!



on-demand power to integrate other

carbon-free resources, like wind and

solar, providing instant clean energy

even when the sun isn't shining or the

No other energy source provides recreation like hydropower!



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