Applegate Valley Vision

Focus Area #1: Resilient and Connected

Goal # 1.5: To develop more sustainable energy sources for the Applegate Valley

Summary Statement: To develop more sustainable energy sources for the Applegate Valley by identifying a lead entity to investigate the use of renewables, energy efficiencies, and forming a Public Utility District or Local Power District/Village Power Model; and keeping the community informed and mobilized to work towards energy independence.

Strategy 1.5.A: Identify a lead entity to assess and investigate the use of renewables, energy efficiencies, and form a Public Utility District or Local Power District/Village Power Model

Ideas for Action:

- 1. Research and encourage use of incentives for solar installations, heat pumps, energy-efficient windows, etc.
- 2. Explore micro-hydro development
- 3. Advocate for buried power lines
- 4. Generate hydro-electricity from the dam
- 5. Develop off-grid capabilities and capacity to support a post-disaster resiliency hub in a centralized location with microgrids for backup power

Strategy 1.5.B: Conduct education, outreach, and mobilization for energy independence

Ideas for Action:

- 1. Hold one or more Town Hall meetings or community education events to share energy information and possibilities
- 2. Engage with local and state officials regarding local energy needs