



## Randy Suess

**District 5** | Incumbent  
**Candidate**

**Member/Owner since 1976**

**Education:** B.A. Elementary Education from Washington State University in 1976

**Employment:** Retired wheat farmer

**Affiliations:** Washington Association of Wheat Growers, Farm Bureau, Grange, Washington Policy Center, ACRE

### Candidate statement:

I am currently serving as the District Five trustee. I have been on the Inland board since 2018, when I was selected to fill a vacancy. I am presently serving as the president of the board of trustees.

### Why do you want to serve on the board of trustees?

I have served on boards my whole life. I truly believe in the cooperative principles of ownership by the members, and feel that I can represent the needs of those served by Inland. You can trust that I am accountable in making informed decisions within the boardroom, while following Inland policies. I am engaged with political issues that benefit members, and will work to achieve the goals set forth in Inland's strategic plan.

### What strengths would you bring to the board of trustees?

With my previous experiences on other boards, I believe I can work with other trustees to help insure Inland delivers the services and reliability that you expect. Since being on the board, I have worked to keep rates low, traveled to Olympia and Washington D.C. to present our concerns to legislators, and hired a new CEO who has great energy and vision for the future.

### The utility industry faces many challenges. Where would you focus your attention?

1. Keeping the Snake River dams in place that provide us with clean, renewable energy.
2. Keeping electric rates as low as possible.
3. Keeping up with government regulations and mandates.
4. Insuring an adequate supply of electricity for members into the future.
5. Reducing our chance of producing any outage, especially with wildfire.
6. Building resources for future growth in our service territory.

### What else would you like the membership to know about you as a candidate?

As a trustee, I will work to ensure that the best interests of the members will always come first. I know it gets repetitive, but I do believe that safe, reliable and affordable electric rates are the cornerstone of my beliefs.