



# Virtual Tours of Hydro Sites Now Available

We are rolling out virtual tours of some of our Low Impact Certified sites on Youtube this month. We look forward to sharing the sites with those who can't make the trips themselves. Check out this vintage video "First Circle: The Story of Small Hydro" featuring the Falls Creek Hydropower Project in Oregon.

• If you want your site to be featured, please email Izai@lowimpacthydro.org

#### **Annual Report Out Now**

Take a look at our first ever <u>Annual Report</u>, available on our <u>website</u>. It features project spotlights and a message from our Board President and Executive Director about their vision for the future and an accounting of our financial health.



#### **Recent Events**

### 2018 HydroVision Conference



In June, LIHI staff participated in HydroVision International, the largest annual worldwide gathering of hydro professionals, in Charlotte, North Carolina. We were pleased with our well-attended exhibit booth, where we informed interested visitors about Certification and how to incorporate Low Impact Certified

#### Congressional Clean Energy Expo and Policy Forum

LIHI staff attended the Environmental and Energy Study Institute's 2018
Congressional Clean Energy Expo and Policy Forum earlier this month in Washington, D.C. The Expo showcased renewable energy and energy efficient technologies and was co-hosted by the bipartisan U.S. House of Representatives Renewable Energy & Energy Efficiency Caucus.

LIHI was one of the 35 businesses, trade associations, and government agencies at the event, participating as an exhibitor and represented by our Certification Program Director Maryalice Fischer in the Public Policy and Sustainable Energy panel.

hydropower into green power offerings.

Executive Director Shannon Ames shared LIHI success stories and her thoughts on U.S. hydropower at various sessions, including Grid Scale Energy Storage Summit, When Partnerships Benefit Everyone, and The U.S. Hydropower Vision Road Map.



## Low Impact Hydro News

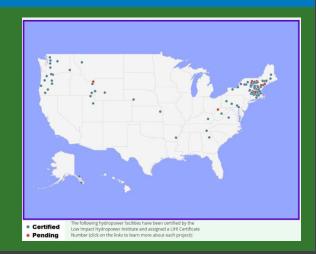
- Congratulations to LIHI Certificate Holder Chelan PUD for establishing a
   Hydropower Research Institute Chelan PUD to establish Hydropower Research
   Institute from Hydroworld
- In an unusual move, the U.S. Court of Appeals ruled that the licenses awarded to Alabama Power Company in 2013 to operate seven of its hydroelectric dams didn't do enough to protect wildlife, remanding the issue back to FERC to restart the licensing process. <u>Alabama Power's Coosa River dam licenses fail to protect</u> <u>wildlife, court rules from AL.com</u>
- Temperatures have been high throughout the country and it is a good reminder for all of us to reinforce recreational safety when people are looking to cool off in the rivers we share. Thanks to Certificate Holder Green Mountain Power for their recent reminder to Vermont neighbors: <u>Vermont Utility Warns of Dangers Near</u> <u>Hydroelectric Dams on WAMC.org</u>

#### **Certificate Activity this Year**

Currently, the Low Impact Hydropower Institute's portfolio consists of 134 Active Certificates representing over 200 powerhouses located on 84 different rivers in 23 states. Each one demonstrates a commitment to environmental, cultural and recreational stewardship.

#### **Certificates Year to Date:**

- 15 Final Certifications (and recerts)
- 5 Preliminary Decisions
- 14 Applications in Progress



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