



Our Mission

It is the goal of Silverdale Water District to provide the highest quality water at the lowest reasonable price, assuring reliability of source, storage and distribution. The district is constantly planning for present and future preservation of its most precious resource, through prudent financial and personnel management and long term regional planning.

Commissioner's Corner

I received a letter from a customer/owner who attended our December meeting at which the proposed 2008 budget was discussed. His letter expressed concerns about the percentage increase in our rates for the last three years. I realize his letter represents an issue we are all aware of and I assume there are other customers who also share this point of view.



All Silverdale Water District operational costs are covered by the water rates you pay, and our costs have gone up like everyone else's. An example is the main extension along Olympic View Road in 2006-07 which was delayed by the federal government for over a year driving the material costs of pipe up by more than 30%.

Thankfully our other costs have not gone up as fast. We adjust the water rates incrementally every year. Otherwise if you had a stagnant rate you would see a dramatic jump in your bill in the near future, because that flat rate did not reflect the true ongoing operational costs. Silverdale Water District water rates fall in the lower third when compared to other water utilities across Washington and is one of the lowest in Kitsap County. An average residential bill is \$44.00 for two months of water. Every nickel of that bill goes back into operating a service you depend on every day.

Our rates are divided into four blocks, designed so if you are careful about the amount of water you use, you pay substantially less; where the upper forth are charged far more because they put a higher demand on our system. That way you are rewarded for conserving water, which balanced against those who use more of our precious resource.

We run a very tight financial operation. Financial professionals gave Silverdale Water District a very high 'A-3' bond rating. We earned it with good financial management and innovative practices. Everyone needs fresh and safe water and Silverdale Water District provides it at a great value. Thank you for your continued support of your local water district 'local government that works, without taxes'.

Commissioner Marcus Hoffman
Chairman 2007

Community Calendar

Below are events taking place in Silverdale. For a list of all Kitsap County events, please visit www.visitkitsap.com

Anderson Landing Nature Preserve

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68-acre nature preserve with walking trails and view point. From Silverdale take Bucklin Hill to Anderson Hill, after about 3.5 miles, turn right on Warren. The trailhead and a small parking lot are about 200 yards down the road on the right side of Warren.

Central Kitsap Scenic & Historical Tour

Central Kitsap Peninsula

Tour old town in Silverdale, a naval undersea museum, a Vietnam era destroyer and several world-class museums and buildings on our tour of Central Kitsap.

Silverdale Water District Calendar

Commissioner meetings are held on the first and third Thursday of the month starting at 9:00 AM at the district office. The dates and topics are as follows:

02.07.2008 General Business

02.21.2008 Study Session

03.06.2008 General Business

03.20.2008 Study Session

Conservation Tips

Efficient water use can save you money on water & utility bills, and reduce the costs for sewer and septic services. Use the following household tips in the bathroom, kitchen and laundry room to help protect the environment and save your family money!

Check toilets for leaks. Use food coloring or a leak detection tablet in the toilet tank.

If color appears in the bowl without flushing, there is a leak that requires immediate attention.

Use both sides of the sink when washing dishes by hand. Use one side to wash and the other side to rinse. Do not wash dishes under a running faucet.

In-sink garbage disposal devices use roughly 11.5 gallons of water each day.

Try composting organic wastes instead of throwing them away.

Pre-rinse clothes only when absolutely necessary.

Use the proper water level, load size selection and water temperature when washing clothes. Consider installing a water efficient washing machine.



Contact Information

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For After Hours Emergencies: Dial 911

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Comparison Rate Charts

On February 1, 2008 our water rates will reflect an increase. Your water bill is made up of different components; a meter charge, a fire flow charge, a usage charge, and in some instances a street light charge and a surcharge. The district evaluates costs associated with providing water service to our customers on an annual basis and makes adjustments accordingly.

Meter Size Chart

METER SIZE	2007 CHARGE	2008 CHARGE	ADJUSTMENT
5/8"	\$13.75	\$14.50	5.45%
3/4"	\$20.50	\$21.75	6.10%
1"	\$34.00	\$36.25	6.62%
1 1/2"	\$68.00	\$72.25	6.25%
2"	\$108.75	\$115.50	6.21%
3"	\$217.50	\$231.00	6.21%
4"	\$340.00	\$360.75	6.10%
6"	\$679.75	\$721.50	6.14%
8"	\$1,085.75	\$1,154.25	6.31%

Fire Flow - Residential

FIRE FLOW (GPM)	2007 CHARGE	2008 CHARGE	ADJUSTMENT
500	\$1.55	\$1.65	6.45%
750	\$2.35	\$2.48	5.32%
1,000	\$3.10	\$3.30	6.45%
1,250	\$3.90	\$4.13	5.77%
1,500	\$4.65	\$4.95	6.45%
1,750	\$5.50	\$5.78	5.00%
2,000	\$6.20	\$6.60	6.45%
2,250	\$7.00	\$7.43	6.07%
2,500	\$7.75	\$8.25	6.45%

Fire Flow - Nonresidential

FIRE FLOW (GPM)	2007 CHARGE	2008 CHARGE	ADJUSTMENT
1,500	\$18.35	\$19.75	7.63%
1,750	\$21.40	\$23.00	7.48%
2,000	\$24.50	\$26.25	7.14%
2,250	\$27.55	\$29.75	7.99%
2,500	\$30.60	\$33.00	7.84%
2,750	\$33.65	\$36.25	7.73%
3,000	\$36.70	\$39.50	7.63%
3,250	\$39.75	\$42.75	7.55%
3,500	\$42.80	\$46.00	7.48%
3,750	\$45.90	\$49.25	7.30%
4,000	\$48.95	\$52.75	7.76%

Water Usage Schedule

INVERTED - BLOCK	2007 CHARGE / CF	2008 CHARGE / CF	ADJUSTMENT
No. 1	\$0.0124	\$0.0130	4.84%
No. 2	\$0.0165	\$0.0173	4.85%
No. 3	\$0.0218	\$0.0229	5.05%
No. 4	\$0.0260	\$0.0273	5.00%

Construction

Construction meters shall be charged the basic meter charge for its size and \$5.46 per 100 cubic feet of water used.

→ A Bit of History

On April 20, 1931, Silverdale Water District purchased 25-acres of property from Port Blakely Mill Company for \$1,500.00. The property located west of Provost Road and south of Newberry Hill Road, was purchased to serve as the District's water shed. District operations were being directed by commissioner's Alfred Carlson, Alfred Anderson, and J.B. Yoder; C.C. Casad served as district engineer; and Marion Garland was legal counsel.