



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

REUSE RECYCLE OPTIMIZE WATER — A VALUABLE RESOURCE

Silverdale Water District has been an active participant in our water future by understanding our current water supply, pipe conveyance system, and projecting future needs. Our vision is to effectively use the water resource we are providing to you so as to minimize our impact to the Puget Sound region.

Silverdale Water District has fourteen wells that pump clean water from our underground aquifer where it is stored to meet your demands. Average winter consumption from the aquifer is 1.6 million gallons of water per day with summer consumption peaking at 5.6 million gallons of water.

When the weather gets hot, the daily water groundwater requirement increases three times for irrigation and summer activities. This peak summer demand requires us to oversize pumping and storage facilities to meet that instantaneous summer high demand days.

The high demand upon our limited water resource affords us an opportunity to look at ways to best use the resource. One way is fix leaks, another is to conserve where practical, and finally to reuse the water in a responsible manner.

Water reuse is our future. Silverdale Water District is studying the possibility of reusing some of the treated water from a reclamation facility for the irrigation of plants during the hot summer months. Technology exists to clean water to a Class A level that will allow irrigation of vegetated areas and stream flow augmentation during the dry summer months.

We have been awarded a grant by the State of Washington to study the possibility of using reclaimed water as an irrigation source within the service boundary. This study will review regulations, water quality, and locations where the reclaimed water could be used.

We at Silverdale water District seek your input so as to make the study valuable in our assessment of the reuse possibility.

John Poppe
Commissioner 2008

Community Calendar

June 7, 2008

HBA - Bike & Rod Canal Run Fundraiser A 120 mile Motorcycle and Car Run benefitting "Hang on Kitsap," a fall-prevention project for older adults. It is a known fact that 1/3 of adults 65 and older fall each year. Enjoy food and drinks and participate in the poker run. Entry fee is \$10.
Contact: Kitsap Home Builders Association
360.479.5778

June 13, 2008

Old Town Silverdale Art Walk Come share the talents of the artists in our midst and enjoy an evening of good food, wine, flowers and Entertainment. 16 participating businesses and 18 artists. **Contact: Denise Mahoney**
360.373.3801

July 25 - 27, 2008

Whaling Days: A Whale of a community celebration - The annual festival brings you great musical entertainment, excellent food, and incredible fireworks display.

July 27, 2008

The Great Kitsap Duck Race - Come join the fun. Lots of prizes to be won!

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:

06.05.2008 General Business

06.19.2008 Reclamation System Tour

07.03.2008 General Business

07.17.2008 Study Session

Outdoor 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 Lawn and Garden tips to help protect the environment and save your family money!

- ❁ Lawns need water when you can see footprints across it after watering.
- ❁ Water in short repeated intervals for best absorption, especially on slopes or compacted soils. Prevent water runoff from your sprinkler system.
- ❁ To reduce evaporation, water the lawn in the early morning or evening. Avoid watering during the heat of the day or when it is windy.
- ❁ Low or non-water landscaping require minimal amounts of water, fertilizer and pesticides. This can save you money and will protect the environment.
- ❁ Use native and adapted plants when landscaping your yard. These plants usually require less care and water. Consider installing plants that don't require water once they are established for some or all of your yard.

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Being a Water Wise Gardener is Easy

It may not feel like it, but summer is well on its way. Which means it is time to prepare our outdoor spaces. There are a few things you can do to beautify your yard while conserving our drinking water.

1. Inspect and adjust your irrigation system before you begin watering. Correct known problems immediately. Over the course of the winter pipes and sprinkler heads can break. Broken parts can waste thousands of gallons of water, over water your garden, and make for a high water bill. It is prudent to inspect and adjust your system often. Once or twice a month is ideal.
2. Mulch around your plants and in gardens. Mulch holds water and nutrients helping to feed plants and cool roots. It also helps ward off weeds and reduces runoff. It is a good idea to add a two to three inch layer of mulch every spring.
3. Watch the weather. Lawns only need one inch of water per week, so if a summer rain event occurs, skip your next watering cycle. For automatic irrigation systems consider installing a rain sensor. It will automatically turn off your system saving unnecessary water.



All of the above items will reduce your water consumption, helping to protect the environment and save you money. For an additional water wise bonus consider using organic fertilizer and only spot treat weeds. These actions will help protect our waters.

For additional money saving Outdoor Conservation tips, please visit our website at www.swd16.org.

→ A Bit of History

May 6, 1941, Silverdale Water District adopted water rates of \$1.00 per month for residences; \$1.00 for each occupied hotel room, apartment or living quarters; \$3.00 per month for Union High School (Central Kitsap High School); \$3.00 per month for Silverdale Grade School (Central Kitsap Administration Building); and \$2.25 per month for the Washington Co-Operative Egg and Poultry Association.