



# Newsletter

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**Billing Office Hours**  
Mondays: 9:00 am—2:00 pm  
Tuesdays: 9:00 am—2:00 pm  
Thursdays: 9:00 am—2:00 pm

Board of Commissioners meetings are held on the 1st & 3rd Thursdays of the month at 1:00 pm via teleconference. Visit our website or contact the office for instructions on how to join. All meetings are open to the public.

*Hartstene Pointe Water-Sewer District is not associated with or governed by the Hartstene Pointe Maintenance Association. Please direct water-sewer service related questions to the District.*

*Hartstene Pointe Water-Sewer District is an equal opportunity provider and employer.*

## Free Shredding Event!



Safety Committee and Disaster Preparedness Committee!

HPWSD & HPMA are teaming up to host a free shredding event! Lemay will have one of their trucks out at the Pointe, ready for you to bring your sensitive papers that need discreet destruction. Bring your kids—we plan to have fun! Chips & water complimentary! Connect with your local public servants at the District and visit tables hosted by HPMA, Fire

When: **Saturday, May 14th, 11am—2pm**

Where: **Parking lot next to the Club House**

What to Bring: **You & your shred-ables**  
**(please limit to one banker box)**

What to Donate: **Please bring non-perishable food for the local food bank!**

RSVP: **[Please RSVP @ hpwatersewer.com/rsvp](http://hpwatersewer.com/rsvp)**

Take note: not everything can be shredded. These include hard plastics, three-ring binders and x-rays. If you plan to attend—and we hope you do—please RSVP so that we can have an idea what size crowd we can welcome! Once the truck is full, it's full, so try to arrive early!

## District Staff Visit's Wastewater Treatment Plants in Renton & Gig Harbor



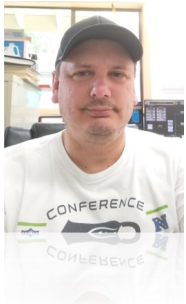
King County Wastewater Treatment Plant

As part of the staff's QUEST training through Evergreen Rural Water of WA (ERWoW), District staff were graciously given a tour by Jim Pitts (thanks, Jim!) of the wastewater treatment plant in Renton that serves King County. Every treatment plant is set up differently, but a lot of treatment practices and principles remain the same. It was a tremendous opportunity! Two of the District's staff have been studying toward earning certifications in wastewater treatment and have been taking online classes taught by ERWoW. While classwork and book studies are useful, seeing the processes in action makes everything come together. Staff are scheduled to visit Marty Grabill at Port Orchard's plant and Darrell Winnans at Gig Harbor to tour their treatment facilities, so a big thank you to Marty and Darrell

as well! Jeff hopes to return the favor and host ERWoW's class for a tour!

# General Manager's Report

## Drinking Water Week 2022



In 1988, The American Water Works Association (AWWA) brought *Drinking Water Week* to the attention of the U.S. Government and formed a coalition along with the League of Women Voters, the Association of State Drinking Water Administrators and the U.S. Environmental Protection

Agency.

Rep. Robert Roe and Sen. Dennis DeConcini subsequently sponsored a resolution to name the first week of May as Drinking Water Week, and the week-long observance was declared in a joint congressional resolution signed by then President Ronald Reagan.

For more than 40 years AWWA and its members have used Drinking Water Week as a unique opportunity for both water professionals and the communities they serve to recognize the vital role water plays in our daily lives.

This year's recognition will be May 1-7, 2022.

It takes a lot to deliver just about any high-quality product and our drinking water is no exception. An intricate maze of pipes buried underground, treatment plants and equipment like pipes, pumps, storage basins and treatment supplies, all ensure your water is there when you need it.

*Drinking Water Week* may only be for one week, but it's important to use it to appreciate and learn what it takes to ensure high-quality drinking water is #ThereWhenYouNeedIt.

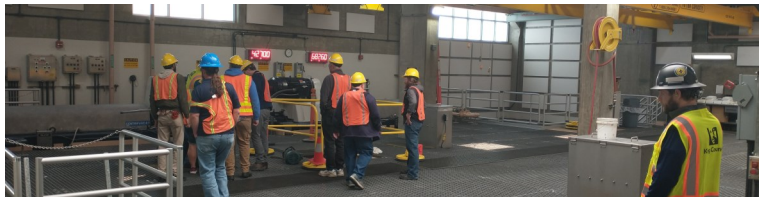
—Jeff Palmer, General Manager



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From Page One, King County Wastewater Treatment Plant

## Water Use on HPMa Grounds

It came to the attention of administrative staff that residents are frequenting the spit and the marina to wash off vehicles. This is disappointing. This is an egregious waste of treated, drinking water and verges on water theft, the fine for which is appropriately \$500. If washing a vehicle at home is difficult, we encourage residents to take advantage of car washes in town—did you know that car washes actually reclaim and reuse rinse water, saving considerable water waste? We say it a lot—water conservation is so important and we appreciate your co-operation to help us to that end!



### Drippy the Droplet's

#### Water-Saving Tip:

**"Consider taking short showers instead of tub baths. If you must take a tub bath, close the spout before opening the faucet and fill the tub only to the halfway mark."**

## Sign Points The Way to Us!

Celebrating the District's new office location, conveniently located near HPMa's facilities, a new sign was erected this past month so residents can easily find us! We're tucked away behind the fitness center / maintenance shop by the commercial fence.

Thank you, Jim Anderson, for crafting the sign and thank you, Mark & Alan, for installing the sign on a new post!

