



SKY LINES

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Water Supply

Our weather can vary significantly from year to year, and this season we are experiencing higher than normal temperatures and lower than normal rainfall. In addition, this year's low snowpack coupled with the high temperatures and resulting increased demand have increased the potential for lower water supply availability. This combination of weather conditions is putting a significant strain on local and regional water supplies. The water supply issue impacts the entire region and therefore everyone needs to do their part to help.

Go to our website at www.skywayws.org for the latest information.

Skyway Water and Sewer District has three separate sources of water: Cascade Water Alliance (Seattle Public

Utilities), City of Renton and District wells. Cascade and its members (the cities of Bellevue, Kirkland, Issaquah, Redmond, Tukwila and the Sammamish Plateau and Skyway Water and Sewer Districts) get some or all of their drinking water from the Seattle water supply.

On **July 27th**, as a member of Cascade Water Alliance, Skyway joined Seattle Public Utilities (SPU), Tacoma Water and the City of Everett in declaring a **Stage 1 Water Advisory**. During the water advisory, residents and businesses were asked to continue to use water wisely to help ensure sufficient water supply. On **August 11th**, the District joined SPU, Tacoma and Everett, in declaring a **Stage 2 Voluntary Curtailment to "Reduce Your Use"**. We are asking residents and businesses to reduce their use of water by **10%**. Although the District has more than one

source of water, the supply issue impacts our entire region. Taking action now will help



save water for people and fish as we go into the end of summer and early fall. Here are ways you can "reduce your use":

- Take shorter showers
- Wash only full loads of laundry and dishes
- Let your lawn go dormant.
- Water only plants, and only twice each week.
- Water outdoor plants before 8 AM or after 7 PM.
- Check for and fix leaks, including checking for toilets with silent leaks
- Use a broom, not a hose, to clean sidewalks, driveways and patios.



- Take your car to a commercial car wash and wash it less often



For water efficient tips and how to use water wisely visit: <http://cascadewater.org/conservation.php>

For more information on the voluntary reduction in water use visit: <http://bit.ly/1DHbWOI>

Find more water saving tips at:

- www.savingwater.org
- <http://bit.ly/1Lpsi0G>
- www.tacomawater.com/smart

For information on the drought impacts to fish go to:

- <http://bit.ly/1h1oCov>

CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS

You may have noticed construction work being done at two locations along 84th Avenue South in the Bryn Mawr neighborhood.

New water and sewer mains are being installed along South 118th Street for the new **Otani Gardens** residential development. The public utility work being constructed by the developer's contractor

includes installing new mainline pipes, connecting to the existing water and sewer systems, and reconnecting existing customer services. By the time you read this notice, the water and sewer main work on 82nd Ave. So., 84th Ave So. and South 118th Street should be complete. Paving, sidewalk and landscape work may still be in progress.

Further south near the top of

the hill, work is being done on the Districts capital project: **South 126th Place Water Main Replacement**. This project includes installing approximately 1,100 lineal feet of 8-inch diameter water main, 10 service connections, and multiple connections to the existing water system. Construction of this project will replace undersized pipes and eliminate dead ends, improving water quality and

system reliability.

Thank you for your patience during these improvements. It is greatly appreciated by all concerned. Please feel free to contact us at any time if you have questions or would like additional information on either of these improvements.



SkyWest Tool Library

-Sharing and Caring



To learn more or volunteer to help start a tool library in Skyway, please join us on **September 24th** at **6:00 PM** (or any **4th Thursday** of the month) at the Skyway Water and Sewer District office.

-Jon Ault and
Preston Horne-Brine



West Hill Business Association

The next meeting of the Association will be held Tuesday, September 15, 2015 at 9:00 AM at the Skyway VFW Post 9430, 7421 So. 126th Street, Seattle, WA 98178. Phillip Sit from the King County Assessor's Office will share general information about property taxes and answer questions. Skyway Solutions will give a presentation on the draft Skyway West Hill Action Plan (SWAP).

WEST HILL

Important Upcoming Events:

West Hill Action Mob Skyway Park Cleanup
Remove invasives, restore creek to health, learn stuff. Tools provided.
📅 Sat Sept 12th, 9am-noon 📍 Skyway Park 📝 Sign up: goo.gl/ys6QzF

West Hill Action Mob Annual Fall Cleanup
Big annual work party, celebrate results afterward with food & friends.
📅 Sat Sept 26th, Time TBD 📍 Location TBD (will post online!)

WHCA Fall Quarterly Meeting
Special presentations, community announcements, news & reports.
📅 Tues October 20th, 7pm 📍 Skyway VFW, 7421 S 126th St

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COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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Please complete the survey below and return it to our office by 9/30/15 or complete the survey online at www.skywayws.org.

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