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A monthly newsletter brought to you by Scott Lake Maintenance Company

Message from your President – *Eric Riffe*

Water System Town Hall – Sept. 19th @ 10 am

Scott Lake Maintenance Company invites all residents and property owners to attend an important Water System Town Hall to learn more about the current condition and future needs of our community-owned water system.

Scott Lake's water system has served the community for many years. As the system continues to age, careful planning and investment are necessary to maintain safe, reliable water service for residents now and in the future. This Town Hall will provide an opportunity to learn more about the challenges facing the system, the improvements being considered, and the work currently underway to develop a long-term plan.

Topics discussed during the meeting may include:

- The current condition of Scott Lake's aging water infrastructure
- Areas of the water system that may require repair, replacement, or upgrades
- Proposed infrastructure improvements and project priorities
- Planning and engineering work currently underway
- Steps being taken to improve the reliability and efficiency of the system
- Potential project timelines and estimated costs
- Available funding options, including grants, loans, water rates, and special assessments
- How future projects may affect residents and property owners
- The long-term needs of the water system and the importance of establishing a sustainable plan

The Town Hall is intended to provide residents with clear and accurate information about the condition of the system and the decisions that may need to be made in the coming years. The goal of this Town Hall is to share information, answer questions, hear community concerns, and help residents better understand the options being considered.

Maintaining a community water system requires ongoing maintenance, responsible financial planning, and preparation for larger infrastructure projects.

Upcoming Events: September 2026

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- SLAMS Club – Sept.. 8th @ 6 pm
- Garden Club – Sept. 17th @ 10:30 am
- Board of Trustees – Sept. 17th @ 6 pm
- SLAMS Game Night – Sept. 18th @ 7 pm
- Water Town Hall – Sept. 19th @ 10 am

Water System Town Hall continued…

Delaying necessary improvements can increase costs and the risk of unexpected system failures. By planning ahead, Scott Lake can complete needed improvements in an organized, financially responsible way while continuing to provide dependable water service.

Residents will have an opportunity to ask questions, share their concerns, and provide input. Whether you are a longtime resident, a new homeowner, a landlord, or a tenant, the future of the water system affects everyone in the Scott Lake community.

Saturday, September 19, 2026
10:00 a.m.
Scott Lake Community Center
2631 114th Way SW, Olympia

We strongly encourage all residents and property owners to attend. Your participation is important as we work together to plan for the future of Scott Lake's water system and ensure safe, reliable water service for years to come. Maintaining a community water system requires ongoing maintenance, responsible financial planning, and preparation for larger infrastructure projects. We hope to see you there!

Sharing Table Reminder

The Sharing Table located outside the Scott Lake Community Center is intended for food and plants only.

Please do not leave clothing, household goods, garbage, or other unwanted items at or near the Sharing Table. SLMC staff must remove and dispose of items that do not belong.

Please place unwanted items in your own garbage or recycling containers. You may donate clothing and usable household goods directly to organizations such as Goodwill, Value Village, or another local donation center. Thank you for helping us keep the Sharing Table clean, organized, and available for its intended purpose!

Scott Lake Water System Flushing Program

Routine water main flushing is coming soon! As part of our ongoing commitment to providing safe, reliable drinking water, Northwest Water Systems will be conducting a scheduled flushing of the Scott Lake water distribution system.

Why is the water system being flushed?
Water main flushing is an important preventive maintenance activity that helps keep our water system operating efficiently. Over time, naturally occurring minerals and sediment can build up inside water mains. Flushing removes these deposits by moving water through the pipes at higher velocities.

This routine maintenance helps:

- Improve water quality overall.
- Reduce sediment buildup in water mains.
- Improve chlorine distribution throughout the system.
- Verify that valves and hydrants are operating properly.
- Identify potential maintenance issues before they become larger problems.

What should I expect?
During flushing, you may temporarily notice:

- Reduced water pressure.
- Brown, yellow, or cloudy water caused by harmless minerals and sediment being stirred up in the water mains.

Although discolored water may not look appealing, it is generally safe to drink and continues to meet drinking water standards.

What should I do if my water becomes discolored?
If your water appears discolored:

1. Wait until flushing has been completed in your area.
2. Run cold water from an outside hose bib or exterior faucet until the water clears.
3. If you do not have an outside faucet, run the cold water from your bathtub faucet until it clears.
4. Once the water is clear, run each cold-water faucet inside your home for several minutes.
5. Flush your hot water tank if needed.

Please avoid using hot water until the cold water runs clear, as sediment can enter your hot water tank and take longer to remove.

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Should I do laundry?
We recommend postponing laundry until your water runs completely clear. Washing clothes in discolored water may stain light-colored fabrics.

How long will flushing take?
The flushing program typically takes several days to complete and depends on:

- The size of the water system.
- Water demand.
- How quickly water clears in each section.
- Weather conditions.

We will provide updates throughout the flushing program.

Stay Informed
Residents will receive advance notice before flushing begins through available communication channels, including:

- Email
- Text messages
- Community newsletter
- Social media
- Posted signs at community entrances

Questions?
If you experience water quality concerns after flushing has been completed in your area, please contact:

Northwest Water Systems
360-876-0958

When calling, please provide:

- Your service address, name, and phone number.
- The time you noticed the issue.
- A description of the water (color, odor, pressure, etc.).

Thank you for your patience and cooperation as we perform this important maintenance to help keep Scott Lake's water system safe, reliable, and operating at its best.

Payment Reminder

Don't forget! If you're mailing your HOA/Water Assessment payment, please send it to:

Scott Lake Maintenance Company
2631 114th Way SW
Olympia, WA 98512

Thank you for helping ensure your payment is received and processed promptly!