

OUR UNIQUE WATER

Our water is sourced from a local aquifer that has been providing natural, non-chlorinated water to local residents for over a hundred years. Help protect our natural water source by limiting the use of fertilizers and pesticides in the surrounding areas and keeping pets out of the designated watershed area. Properly dispose of chemicals, paint and motor oil.

LFPWD IN THE CLASSROOM



Advisory Committee (Adcom) members have recommended involvement in youth education and drinking water awareness as part of the District's Communication Plan. Adcom members Amanda Royal, Tracy Furutani, Cheryl Brady, Eric Strom and LFPWD General Manager Alan Kerley developed and presented a science-based curriculum regarding the precious resource of drinking water. Ground water and aquifer models were used to illustrate to all fourth-grade classes how ground water aquifers become drinking water and how activities even some distance from our wells can influence or endanger the quality of our source water.

Finally, students were encouraged to become good stewards of their own source water and to recognize that all water is important.



General Manager Alan Kerley describes the most common ways of acquiring drinking water to LFP Elementary students

DISTRICT PARTICIPATION AT LFP EARTH SMART GREEN FAIR

As part of the District's outreach program Adcom members and staff supported our native LFP environment with a native plant give away that included *Coastal Strawberry*, *Nootka Rose*, *Sea Thrift* and *Evergreen Huckleberry*. Planting native species *conserves water* and helps provide food and habitat for local wildlife. Let's keep the "Forest" in Lake Forest Park!

Attendees at the recent LFP Earth Smart Green Fair were provided with drinking water samples directly from the District's Horizon View source.

LAKE FOREST PARK WATER DISTRICT will be sponsoring the LFP Farmer's Market opening day, May 13th (Mother's Day!)



LFPWD ADVISORY COMMITTEE OPENING

If you are looking for a way to support our drinking water or want to learn more about our community water system, consider joining our Adcom Committee. The Committee currently meets once a month, plans activities and events all year. Adcom is a great community resource and a resourceful group of people. Their priorities are communicating about our water system with community, local business and youth and protection of our water source. Application is online at www.lfpwd.org/ourpeople/.

Advisory:

LFPWD does not add fluoride to its water. Families with growing children may contact their dentist regarding the use of additional fluoride treatment and toothpaste containing fluoride.

DO YOU HAVE AN IMPROPERLY ABANDONED WELL?

Occasionally we hear from residents who have old wells on their property. There are thousands of abandoned wells in WA State. Improperly abandoned wells can provide a direct pathway for contamination into an aquifer. Only professional well drillers using specialized materials and equipment should decommission wells. Landowners in WA State may be responsible for any injury or groundwater contamination caused by an improperly decommissioned well. WAC 173-160-261/381 and Chapter 18.104 RCW. If you suspect you have a well on your property that needs to be properly decommissioned, contact WA DOE or visit www.ecology.wa.gov/Water-Shorelines/Water-supply/Wells/Information-for-drillers/Abandoned-wells.

Drinking Water Week | May 6-12, 2018



There is a recent 2018 DOH Newsletter regarding Wellhead Protection at www.doh.wa.gov/1/documents/4200/h2ops-03-2018. LFPWD's CARA has been mapped on the DOH'S online SWAP (Source Water Assessment Program).

CONSERVATION TIPS

- ◆ Install drip irrigation systems that get water directly to plants without overspray waste.
- ◆ Spreading a layer of organic mulch around plants retains moisture and saves water, time and money.
- ◆ Plant native species. They are hardy and acclimated to our environment and require less watering.
- ◆ Fix leaky or running toilets and faucets. Even a slow drip can add up to a high bill and water loss.

BOTTLED WATER

If you spend \$1 on a 16.9-ounce bottle of water, you're effectively paying \$7.57 per gallon, 3,785 times the average amount you would pay for the same amount of water from your faucet.

However, the real cost may ultimately be to our environment. Plastic water bottles are often not recycled and may wind up in our oceans endangering sea life.

Please consider using refillable glass or metal water containers that are not "one use" if you haven't yet made the switch!



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