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WATER TANK REHABILITATION CONTINUES



The rehabilitation of the elevated water tank at Plant No. 1 (Langdon Road) began last spring and is well underway. This massive 140 foot structure has not been painted for over 20 years, and although it was showing its age, it's important to note that the structural integrity of the tank is completely intact.

Currently, phase II of the rehabilitative process includes sandblasting, stripping and adding primer coats to both the inside and outside of the tank. Lead-free and copper-free paint is being used

throughout the entire process and SFWD is the first District on Long Island to utilize a new high-tech coating system, which should last up to 20 years!

The project began with an assessment of the tank and replacement of all the valves underneath the tank. Phase II started in November and will continue through the spring and into the summer. During this time, the tank will be fully covered to protect local residents from potential debris, paint and fumes. The District will provide project updates on our new website.

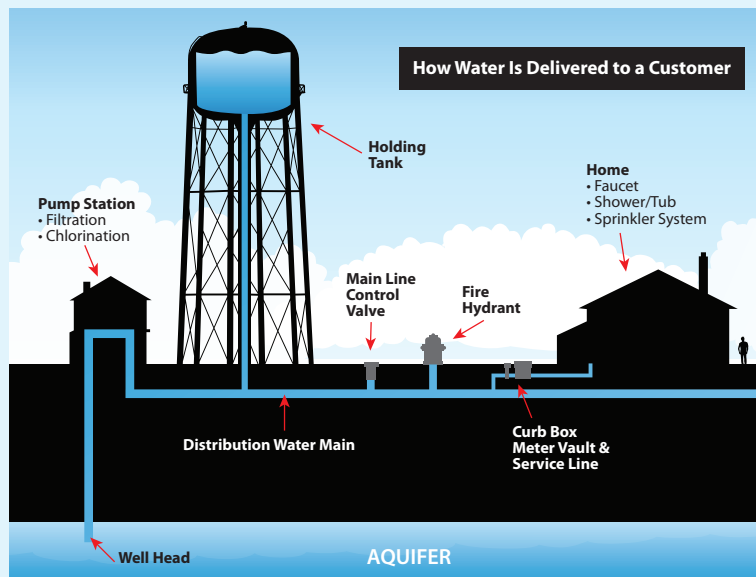
LEAD AND COPPER? NOT HERE!

SFWD Delivers High Quality Water on Tap

With the water supply crisis in Flint, Michigan so prominently in the news, the SFWD Board of Water Commissioners want to assure residents that the aquifer SFWD draws from starts out lead-free. Every 3 years, the District conducts a lead and copper test in the homes of around 30 residents, and the results have never exceeded the 90th percentile.

Our local community was built in the 1950s and 1960s, and up until 1986 plumbers used lead services. As a safeguard measurement, those old pipes and fixtures should be replaced. To neutralize corrosiveness, sodium hydroxide is added right at the District's wells and the pH is raised to the mandated level, meaning your tap is consistently delivering high quality water.

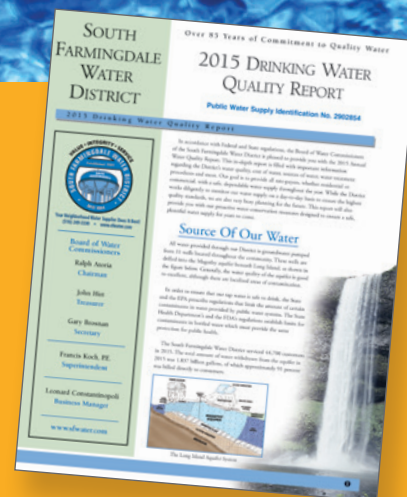
Residents can have their water tested by a professional, and SFWD recommends this action if you should have any concerns.



ANNUAL WATER QUALITY REPORT

2015 Report Available Online

In accordance with Federal and State regulations, the South Farmingdale Water District produces an Annual Water Quality Report. This in-depth report is filled with important information regarding water quality, cost, sources, treatment and more. In keeping with our goal to provide an uninterrupted water supply that meets all Federal, State and Local drinking water standards, we encourage you to read this year's report online at www.sfwater.com/waterquality.



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A Message from Superintendent Francis Koch, P.E.



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Summer is almost here and for most of us, our green thumbs are put to work to attend to our gardens, lawns and landscapes. While it's a fun time for all, the District asks our consumers to be mindful of the Nassau County ordinances that are put in place to help conserve our most precious natural resource. Please remember, lawn watering is prohibited between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Also, odd numbered homes can water on odd numbered days and even numbered homes can water on even numbered days.

It's important to continually update our consumers on the Grumman Plume. While we have not been impacted yet, our responsibility to consumers is to maintain a seamless delivery of high quality water that meets all Federal, State and Local standards. To address the impending contamination threat, we proactively constructed water filtration facilities at Plant No. 1 and Plant No. 3. Both facilities are ready to meet the challenge, and are fully operational and currently online.

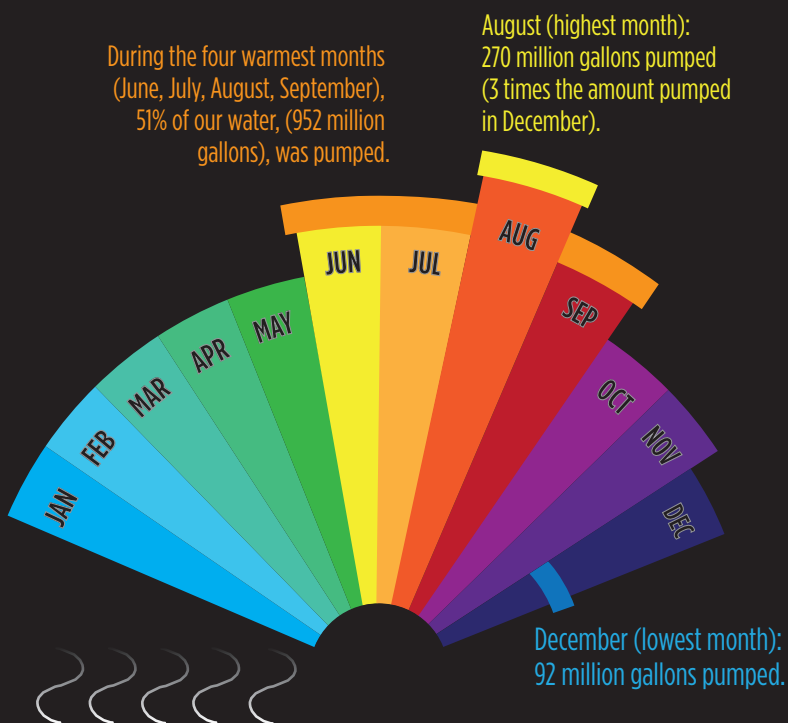
It's a beautiful start to a fun time of the year. Enjoy! - Frank Koch



Plant No. 3

As most consumers are aware, water usage increases during the warmer months, but the actual numbers may surprise you.

2015: Pumped 1.84 billion gallons of water



Peak Day — July 29, 2015: 10.2 million gallons (more than 3 times the amount of a typical winter day) were pumped.

As a comparison, on January 29, 2015, 3.1 million gallons were pumped.

Number of Residents: 44,700
Number of Service Connections: 13,000

Water Meter Upgrade Continues

More Than Half of SFWD Residents Have New Meters



The District's water meter upgrade project is 60 percent complete, with the remaining 40 percent to be finished by the end of this year. Through cellular technology, water meters can be read remotely, precisely and non-intrusively, and allows SFWD personnel the ability to more accurately record the water meter readings of every household and business within the District.

If you have yet to have your meter upgraded, you will be receiving a letter from SFWD about the program. Saks Metering has been contracted to administer this program, and is continually in your neighborhood. Once notified, consumers can make an appointment by phone, email or online.

An adult must be home at the time of installation, which should take no more than 20 to 30 minutes, and may temporarily disrupt water service.



Security is a top priority for South Farmingdale Water District, and authorized installers from Saks Metering will have appropriate photo and badge identification, uniforms, and car signage clearly indicating *Contracted by South Farmingdale Water District*.

Thank you for your cooperation and patience.

Coming Soon: An APP that will allow you to follow and track your own water usage. Information regarding the new APP will be mailed to your home shortly.

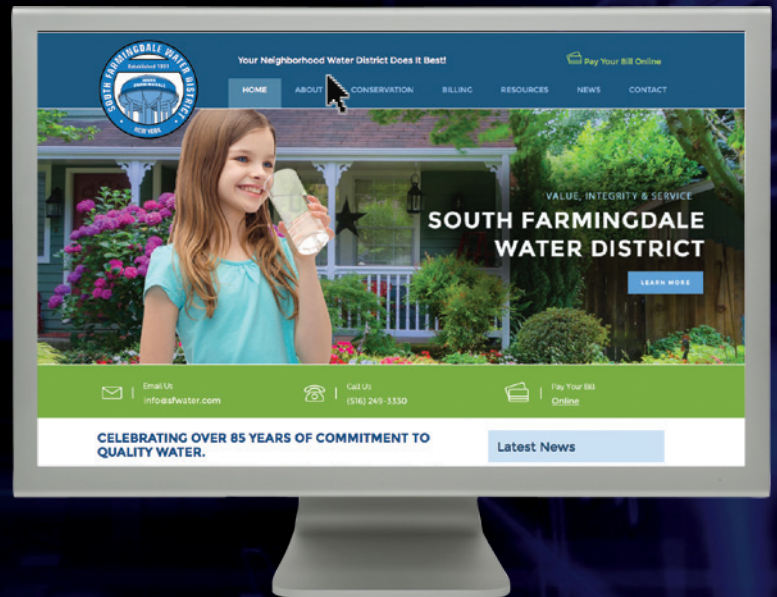
Welcome to Our New Online Home

www.sfwater.com

In an effort to better serve our consumers with information and timely news, the South Farmingdale Water District is proud to launch its new website at www.sfwater.com.

Now you can easily access the District's site by smartphone, tablet and desktop. The new site features an upgraded "News" section that will be updated regularly with the latest developments throughout the District. Navigational features also include information on "Billing," "Conservation" and "Resources."

The site will also provide information regarding ordinances and public notices, and you may continue to pay your bill online through our easy-to-access payment system. The Board of Water Commissioners commented, "This newly revised website is a powerful digital vehicle that will keep our community updated on our latest news and provide timely information."



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