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UPGRADES IN MOTION: ADVANCING WATER QUALITY AND SYSTEM PERFORMANCE

South Farmingdale Water District (SFWD) continues to lead the way in protecting our community's drinking water through proactive planning, ongoing maintenance, and forward-thinking investments. Delivering a reliable water supply to more than 12,000 households and businesses requires constant vigilance and commitment. From major treatment plant upgrades to equipment modernization, our team is dedicated to ensuring the highest quality water and system performance. Here's a look at several key projects driving progress across the District.

Plant 6 (909 Hicksville Rd.)

Construction of the new Advanced Oxidation Process (AOP) treatment facility – designed to remove 1,4-dioxane – is progressing well and is on track to be operational by the end of 2025.

Plant 5 (51 E. Heisser Ln.)

The building to cover and protect the Granular Activated Carbon (GAC) filters has been completed. This will allow us to use this plant in the winter months.

Plant 1 (40 Langdon Rd.)

After 75-plus years of service, Well 1-3 is being retired. Drilling for Well 1-6 began in November and, upon completion, will supply up to 2 million gallons of water per day, strengthening the District's supply capacity.

New Water Main Utility Truck

The District recently brought in a powerful addition to our existing fleet. The new water main utility truck is fully equipped to handle water main breaks, maintenance, and replacement. Our previous vehicle had served the District quite well for over the past two decades, and it became apparent that a new and reliable service truck was necessary. This upgrade will improve our field operations and response efficiency.



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KEEP AN EYE ON YOUR WATER USAGE!

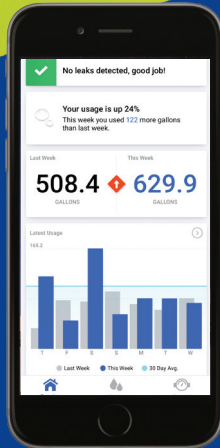
Did you know that each standard-sized well pumps about 1,200 gallons per minute? While average pumpage is roughly 2.5 million gallons per day during the winter, that number typically soars to 10.5 million gallons per day in peak summer months—which is one of the many reasons why the District continues to educate consumers about the importance of water conservation.

EVERY DROP COUNTS!

- Toilet leaks and dripping faucets can waste thousands of gallons.
- You can use toilet leak detection tablets to find hidden leaks and save money.

With the EyeOnWater® app, South Farmingdale Water District residents can easily monitor their water use and catch leaks early—right from your phone, tablet, or desktop.

If you haven't signed up yet, download the EyeOnWater® app from the Apple App Store or Google Play, or scan the QR code here to register and start saving today!



Prepare Your Home and Community for WINTER

As temperatures drop, now is the time to prepare your home's water system for the cold months ahead. Taking a few simple precautions can help prevent costly damage and ensure reliable water service all winter long.

Winter Water Tips:

Keep Fire Hydrants Clear

Be a good neighbor by keeping hydrants clear of leaves, debris and especially snow. Every second counts during an emergency, and firefighters gaining access to a hydrant is critical.

Report Damaged Hydrants

If you notice a hydrant is damaged or potentially broken, call the District at (516) 249-3330 and our service crew will attend to it quickly.

Drain Hoses and Blow-Out Irrigation Systems

Don't forget to drain hoses so they don't break, blow out your sprinkler system, and open outdoor spigots to prevent frozen pipes inside your home or business.

Insulate Exposed Pipes

Pipes located in unheated areas like garages, crawl spaces, or basements are especially vulnerable. Take a few moments to insulate them properly to prevent them from bursting.

Locate Your Main Shutoff Valve

Find it and mark it! In the event of a water pipe burst, shutting off your home's water supply can prevent major damage.

Check For Leaks

Small leaks can worsen in freezing temperatures; fix them before winter arrives.



UPGRADES

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Water main replacement project

Beginning this spring, SFWD will launch the next phase of our five-year water main replacement and upgrade program to enhance system reliability and service. Work will be coordinated with the Town of Oyster Bay to align with upcoming road restoration projects to help minimize community disruption.

New Roof on Administration Building

A new roof has been installed on the District's Administration Building, ensuring improved energy efficiency and protecting vital infrastructure from the elements.

Cybersecurity upgrades

As part of our ongoing commitment to safety, the District has implemented enhanced cybersecurity measures to protect our operational systems and safeguard customer data against emerging digital threats.

LEAD AND COPPER SERVICE LINE INVENTORY



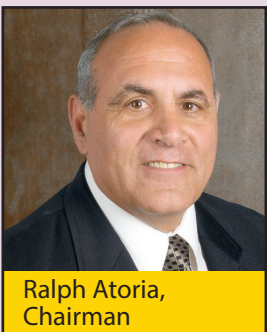
SFWD has completed its annual system-wide inventory of all service lines, identifying each as lead, galvanized requiring replacement (GRR), non-lead, or unknown – as required under the EPA's 2021 Lead and Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR). The results of the survey are available online by visiting the New York State Department of Health website, www.health.ny.gov

If your property is listed as unknown, visit our dedicated web page (www.sfwater.com/resources/water-service-line-inventory) to learn how to self-certify your service line material. Your participation helps us maintain an accurate record and ensures compliance with federal safety standards.

**Thank you to our residents
for assisting us in this
important process.**



Nationwide Class-Action Settlement with 3M Company



Ralph Atria,
Chairman

SFWD Receives Funds

A landmark case was settled earlier this year between 3M, a manufacturer of toxic PFAS "Forever Chemicals" and water service providers across the nation. More than two dozen Long Island water suppliers were part of the settlement, including the South Farmingdale Water District.

Based on the settlement, SFWD was awarded a gross amount of \$1.96 million over the next 9 years. The first two installment have been received, for a total of \$1,289,695 million – approximately two thirds of the total award. The remaining balance will be awarded in eight additional installments running to 2033. These funds will help SFWD pursue its commitment to delivering high-quality drinking water while providing ratepayers with a measure of relief from the high costs associated with removing contaminants from our water supply.

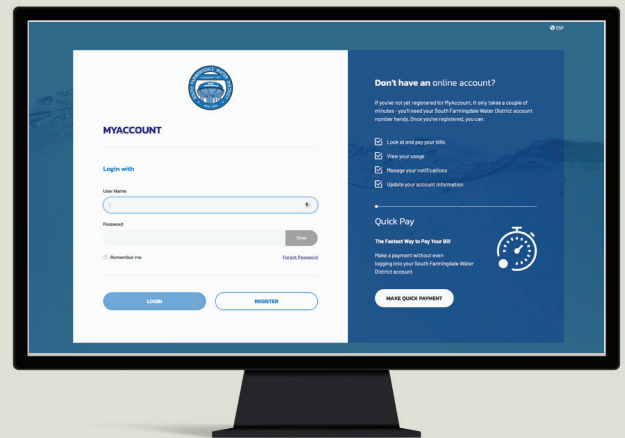
Register for MYACCOUNT at our Customer Portal

We've made it easy for you to monitor your water usage and pay your bill online through our interactive customer portal. It's quite simple to set up your personal account by visiting: www.sfwater.com/billing/pay-your-bill

Customize Your Notifications with New Preference Options:

- Opt-in for emails or SMS text messaging
- Setup autopay

Scan the QR Code Here



COME OUT AND VOTE ★★★★★ Water Commissioner Election

The 2025 election of a South Farmingdale Water District Commissioner is for a three-year term beginning January 1, 2026, and running through December 31, 2028.

WHEN TO VOTE:

Tuesday • December 9, 2025

WHERE:

District Office
40 Langdon Road, South Farmingdale

TIME:

4:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

ELIGIBILITY:

Voting is open to all registered voters who reside within the South Farmingdale Water District boundaries.

La elección de 2025 de un Comisionado del Distrito de Agua de South Farmingdale es por un período de tres años que comienza el 1 de enero de 2026 y se extenderá hasta el 31 de diciembre de 2028.

CUÁNDO VOTAR:

Martes • 9 de diciembre de 2025

DÓNDE:

Oficina del Distrito
40 Langdon Road, Farmingdale Sur

HORARIO:

4:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

ELEGIBILIDAD:

La votación está abierta a todos los votantes registrados que residan dentro de los límites del Distrito de Agua de South Farmingdale.

