



**LAKE STEVENS
SEWER DISTRICT**
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NEWSLETTER

WINTER 2019/2020



To keep up to date on Sewer District news and information please check out our website www.lkstevenssewer.org, Instagram at *lkstsewerdistrict* and Facebook @ *Lake Stevens Sewer District*

We are proud to spotlight our Treatment Plant team for an outstanding job in 2018/2019. Our team has received the 2018 Waste Water Treatment Plant Outstanding Performance Award by the Department of Ecology. The team has also saved an incredible amount of rate payer money. The District received \$90,000 back from PUD due to conservation efforts, \$11,000 from Wastewater Energy Cohort (WEC) and \$45,000 from the Department of Commerce. Our TP employee, Caitlin Dwyer also saved the District \$1.8M when she decided to look further into ways of removing and hauling Biosolids from our old Treatment Plant. The removal cost under \$100,000 compared to the original bid of \$1.9M. We'd like to take this opportunity to congratulate our entire TP team on an incredible job!

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Website:
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Office Hours:
Monday-Friday
7:30am-5:30pm

Phone Hours:
Monday-Friday
9:00am-4:30pm

**Regular Board
Meetings are held on
the 2nd and 4th
Thursdays of each
month at 9am and are
open to the public**

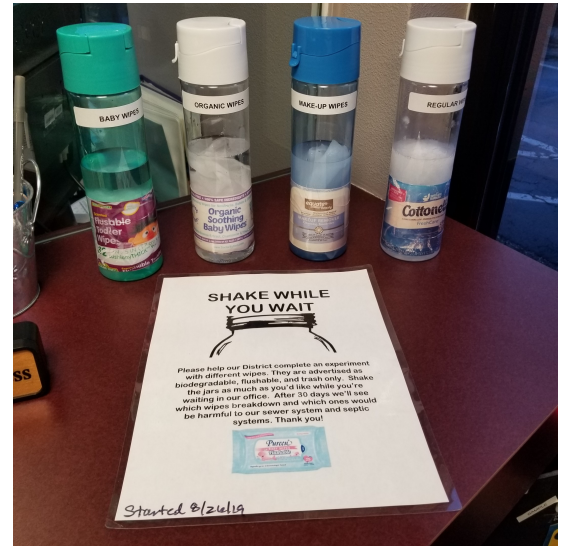


REDUCE YOUR ANNUAL FATS, OILS, AND GREASE FEE BY \$350!!

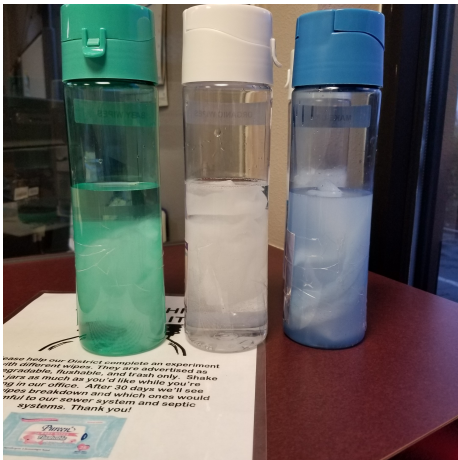
Lake Stevens Restaurants and Food Preparers, did you know that you can reduce your annual FOG fee from \$500 to as low as \$150 if you provide the district with proof of training, and maintenance on an annual basis? Complete the Employee FOG Control Training using the FOG training log provided on our website. Provide documentation of grease trap/interceptor cleaning either professionally by providing a receipt or if self-cleaning by sending scans of maintenance logs available on our website: www.lkstevenssewer.org. Send all documentation by email to:

fog@lkstevenssewer.org

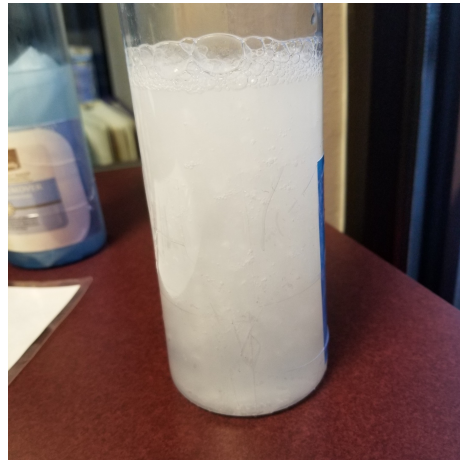
For more information please contact our office.



In August we created an experiment to prove that wipes should not be flushed down your toilet. We took 4 bottles, filled them with water and put a different kind of wipe in each. We asked our customers to shake the bottles as much as possible while they were in our lobby. This mimicked the wipes moving through the pipes in our sewer system. The experiment lasted 30+ days. We were not surprised by the results. There was one wipe that did break-down. Not the one that said it was flushable but the Cottonelle brand. Even though it broke down you can still see the fibers that could cause a blockage if you were to flush multiple wipes. Three of the wipes never broke down and show no signs of doing so. You can see in the pictures that the “flushable” wipe is fully intact. Do not flush any wipes no matter the description, it just isn't safe.



Fully intact wipes after 30 + days in water. One is labeled as "flushable" on the label.



The one wipe that broke down but you can still see the fibers that could cause a blockage.

Mark Your Calendars

December
Regular Board Meetings: 2nd & 4th Thursday @ 9am

Office closed on:
24th & 25th: Christmas Eve & Day

January
Regular Board Meetings: 2nd & 4th Thursday @ 9am

Office closed on:
1st: New Year's Day
20th: Martin Luther King Day

February
Regular Board Meetings: 2nd & 4th Thursday @ 9am

Office closed on:
17th: Presidents Day

All meetings subject to change, please check www.lkstevenssewer.org calendar for updates.

Mission: Meeting the challenge of protecting the environment and providing quality sewer service to the community