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Season's Greetings from Hilton Head PSD!



Hilton Head Public Service District earns Wastewater System of the Year

Hilton Head Public Service District (PSD) earned the "Wastewater System of the Year" award from the South Carolina Rural Water Association (SCRWA) for 2018. The PSD was recognized for several advancements, including: construction of two regional sewer lift stations using South Carolina Clean

Water Revolving Fund financing of \$1.5 million at 1.9% over 20 years; constructing about 10 miles of sewer mains in previously unserved areas in a partnership involving approximately \$10 million in funding from the Town of Hilton Head Island and a \$3-million charitable campaign on the part of the Community Foundation of the Lowcountry's Project SAFE (Sewer Access for Everyone) charitable fund; and implementing dissolved-oxygen based aeration to save energy during the wastewater treatment process.



“This honor is a reflection of the dedication of the PSD and our community to work for a healthy island environment through sustainable sanitary sewer, wastewater treatment, and recycled water services,” said PSD General Manager Pete Nardi.

The SCRWA Awards of Excellence selections were based on nominations from water and wastewater system personnel.

Five PSD Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program initiatives you should know about

Hilton Head PSD has received certification in Environmental Planning from the Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program (ACSP), an Audubon International program designed to help landowners preserve and improve the environmental quality of their property. As an ACSP participant, Hilton Head PSD will be involved in projects that enhance habitat for wildlife and preserve natural resources for the benefit of the local community.

PSD hosts Clemson Extension's Carolina Yards program

The Carolina Yards Program seeks to work with residents in creating healthy, watershed-friendly landscapes. [Take a look at our list of helpful resources and programs here.](#)



PSD converts to energy-efficient LED lighting

□ In Fall 2018, the PSD converted all of its exterior lighting at its 21 Oak Park Drive site to LED lighting. The project represents an estimated 85% reduction in energy use.

PSD facility serves as a nature sanctuary

Hilton Head PSD has an osprey Watch site. Our site hosts an active nest that is monitored by volunteers from the Osprey Watch program. The Audubon Society Annual Christmas Bird Count also occurs on our site. Our recycled water lagoons on our site are frequented by water fowl such as bufflehead and hooded merganser ducks, cormorants, and anhinga. □



PSD preserves natural surroundings of facility

PSD has established “no-mow” zones. By naturalizing areas of the property, the PSD provides a valuable refuge for wildlife! Our front entrance features a demonstration garden of native plants fed by a rain barrel. We also have a pollinator garden that will draw butterflies and bees to flowering plants on the PSD property next to recycled water lagoons. □ □



PSD recycled water nourishes wetlands in Palmetto Hall and Hilton Head Plantation

The Hilton Head PSD annually recycles more than 1 billion gallons of wastewater into beneficial recycled water. It then plays a vital role in the island’s economy and ecology by providing irrigation water for 12 golf



courses — thereby conserving precious drinking water.

[Learn More](#)

Do you know a Water Champion?



The Hilton Head PSD Water Champion Award is presented to individuals, businesses, or organizations that have made a positive impact on the water environment in the Hilton Head PSD service area. Human health and environmental protection related to water resources, water efficiency, watershed protection, and water-related education and outreach are

all examples of the topic areas that Water Champions may have an impact upon.

Why nominate a Water Champion?

The PSD Water Champion Award is a great way to recognize contributions that affect our most precious natural resource – water. Learning about a recipient’s efforts will help inspire others to think about what they can do to enhance, preserve and protect the water environment. In this regard, the Water Champion Award is a knowledge-sharing effort that can benefit our entire community.

[How to nominate](#)

Online Billing

- Pay your bill or check your account online! Here’s how it works:
- To login and view your account or to pay your bill, you will need to use your PayID or account number and address number. Your PayID and account number can be found on your water bill.
- Your default password is the first word or number in your mailing address number, which you can change once you register.
- If you want, set up recurring bill pay so you never miss a payment!

[Read More](#)

Water Usage Portal

Hilton Head PSD's Water Usage Portal can tell you exactly how many gallons of water flow through your pipes every day. This is an optional service, and you do not need to sign up for the Water Usage Portal to pay your bill.

The Water Usage Portal is especially useful for landlords or second home owners, allowing you to keep an eye on your property here in Hilton Head while you are away. Set up text or phone alerts to signal you if your water usage exceeds a level you determine.

[Water Usage Portal](#)

Hilton Head PSD Affiliations

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