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The 2022 Atlantic Hurricane Season officially began on June 1 — and runs through the end of November.

Once again, a more active hurricane season than normal is predicted for this

year. We've already had our first named storm: Tropical Storm Alex.

As the season continues, make sure you're prepared with emergency supplies and know what to do if a hurricane does head our way.

Some preparations you should make now include:

- Creating a hurricane or emergency kit with enough food & water to last each person and pet at least 3 days, plus flashlights, batteries and first aid supplies/medicine
- Knowing how to turn off your home's water supply and power
- Learn how to properly store safe drinking water

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# Please limit water use for irrigation as we move into summer

It's only the beginning of May, and Hilton Head Island has already been staying pretty consistently in the 80s for weeks now. And there's still just over a month until it's officially summer!

Make sure you're not wasting water as the heat continues to ramp up.

Please remember to follow Hilton Head's local ordinance by only watering your lawn twice per week — and making sure your irrigation system has a working rain gauge!

### Hurricane season is here. Make sure you're prepared.



You should also set your irrigation timer to only water the lawn in the early mornings and evenings — avoiding the heat of the day.

Here are some more quick tips to help you save water this summer:

- □Only water your lawn in the mornings and evenings, avoiding the afternoon heat
- ☐ Take shorter showers □Only run full loads in the
- washing machine and dishwasher
- ☐ Turn off the tap while brushing your teeth
- □ Check your home for leaks!

Click the button below for more information on the local

irrigation ordinance and water conservation.

**Hilton Head PSD wants** you to help save water. **Know the local** irrigation law: Single family homes with evennumbered addresses irrigate on Tuesdays and Saturdays only. Single family homes with oddnumbered addresses irrigate on Wednesdays and Sundays only. Commercial buildings irrigate on Mondays and Thursdays only. HiltonHead It's the law.

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### Our recycled water program helps us save water during summer's demand



Did you know the PSD recycles more than 1 billion gallons of wastewater per year?

Now's the time of year that we are particularly grateful for this recycled water program.

As the summer heat continues, we have recycled water to use for irrigation on several of the island's golf courses and to replenish some of the island's wetlands -

which are vital habitats for a variety of wildlife.

And we can do all of this without depleting the island's drinking water supply!

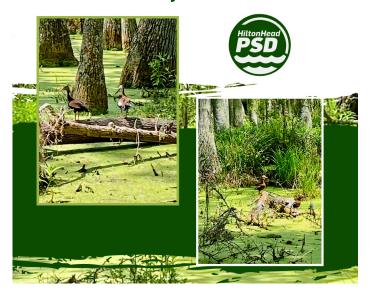
Our recycled water wetlands also had some unique visitors recently.

The PSD's General Manager Pete Nardi noticed these Black-Bellied Whistling Ducks at the Whooping Crane Pond Conservancy.

These ducks are a relatively new species for Hilton Head Island and the South Carolina coast — they've been migrating from the Western U.S.



#### Birds love our recycled water wetlands.



Learn more about them **here**.

Click the button below to learn more about our recycled water program.

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# 5 QUICK TIPS TO SAVE WATER





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Turn the tap off while brushing your teeth



Take shorter showers



Check your home for leaks



Upgrade your irrigation system

# Save water as the summer demand increases

Saving water is extra important in the summer, when the heat can lead to water shortages — which were recently experienced by BJWSA.

Water shortages can not only lead to a lack of water in your household, but can leave first responders without the water they need to respond to an emergency.

So please, try to save water when you can.

Wondering how you can save?

First, please make sure you're only watering your lawn twice a week, either in the early morning or after dark, and make sure you irrigation controller

You can also follow the tips in the above graphic:

Only run full loads in the dishwasher and washer.

Turn off the tap while brushing your teeth.

Take shorter (and colder) showers to save water AND energy.

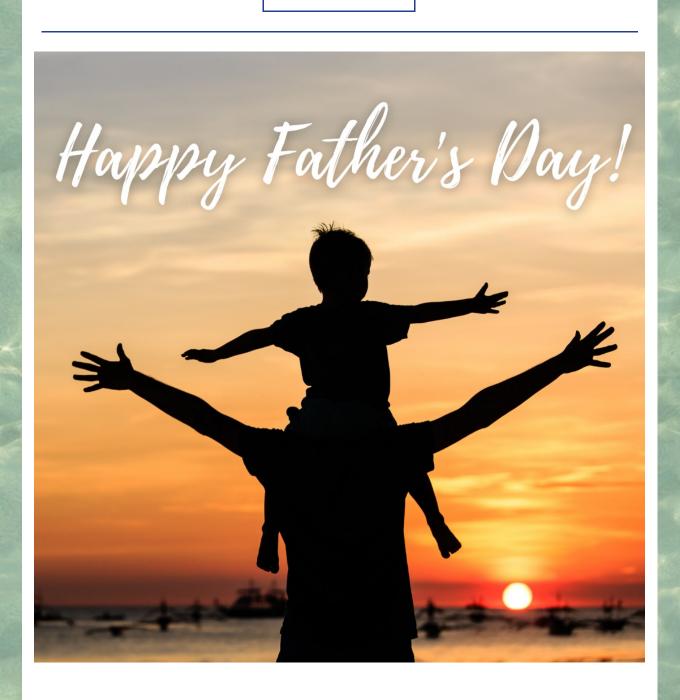
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To save even more water, energy and money, consider upgrading to WaterSense-labeled fixtures. These include irrigation controllers, shower heads, faucets, toilets and more. Just follow the link below to learn how WaterSense can help you save!

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### Give Dad the gift of water savings

Father's Day is June 19!

Still looking for a gift?

Give Dad the gift of water (and money) savings!

Whether Dad loves his lawn and could use a new irrigation controller, or he's been eyeing a massaging shower head, check out the WaterSense label!

Upgrading these items with the WaterSense label can save water

and energy — and ultimately save your household money on your utility bills.

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Follow the link below to learn more.

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Wipes clog pipes!

Yes, even those so-called "flushable" wipes aren't safe for your pipes — they don't properly dissolve and can lead to costly repairs.

Please only flush toilet paper and human waste.

That includes prescription meds — these should be properly disposed of in a local drop box, not thrown away or flushed.

#### **June is National Rivers Month**

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We love all of our waterways here in the Lowcountry, including our

rivers.

The rivers are not only a great source of recreation, but they're importance sources of food, drinking water and more.

We all should do our parts to keep the rivers clean and thriving which means making sure you don't litter and picking up any trash you see while visiting the rivers (if it is safe to do so).

Want to learn more ways you can help? Click the link below.



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#### **Community Events**

Sunday, June 19, is Juneteenth — also known as "Freedom Day."

It's an important day commemorating the end of slavery in the U.S.

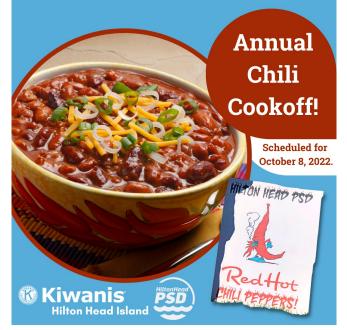
The day is particularly important here on Hilton Head Island, which is home to Mitchelville — "the first selfgoverned town of formerly enslaved people in the United States."



If you're looking for a way to celebrate this momentous day, check out the Freedom Celebration being held at Mitchelville Freedom Park on June 18. Learn more here.

Like to plan ahead?

This year's annual Kiwanis Chili Cookoff is scheduled for



October 8, 2022!

The PSD has been a sponsor of this fundraising event for year, which raises money for local youth causes and programs.

If you or your business would like to sponsor or cook in this year's Chili Cookoff, head to hiltonheadkiwanis.com.

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