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PSD Water Quality Lab earns Laboratory of Excellence

Hilton Head Public Service District's (PSD) Water Quality Laboratory has once again

been recognized as a Laboratory of Excellence as part of its annual certification by the S.C. Department of Environmental Services. The independent agency that conducts the certification recognized the PSD lab “achieving 100% acceptable data” in a group of 380 participating labs, according to a statement from the independent agency. “This achievement is a demonstration of the superior quality of the laboratory,” according to the statement. The PSD Water Quality Laboratory conducts thousands of tests annually on the quality of our tap water and treated recycled water. It is led by Water Quality Supervisor Sarah Hickman.

“The PSD’s commitment to providing clean drinking water to our customers and protecting and enhancing the island’s ecosystems through our recycled water program is aided by and demonstrated through continuous scientific analyses,” said PSD General Manager Pete Nardi. “The Laboratory of Excellence recognition for our PSD Water Quality Laboratory under Sarah Hickman’s outstanding guidance confirms our dedication to achieving our mission.”



TACKLE

WATER WASTE



Getting your home ready to host this football season?

Tackle water waste with WaterSense and save water on your home turf!

Game plan with smart watering techniques and WaterSense labeled irrigation equipment. Just click the button below.

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**PSD gives presentation
at The Cypress**



PSD Commission Vice Chair Jerry Cutrer and General Manager Pete Nardi gave a presentation on the PSD and its water resources at The Cypress on Aug. 22. The discussion included the PSD's governance, its sources of water, treatment methods, and the future of water on our island.

The PSD's presentation on water resources was a chance to gather current and former members of the PSD Commission.

From left are PSD General Manager Pete Nardi, PSD Commission Vice Chair Jerry Cutrer, Rosemary Kratz, wife of former PSD Commissioner Gary Kratz, and former PSD Commissioner John Geisler.





Save water this Fall



Only run full loads in
the dishwasher &
washer



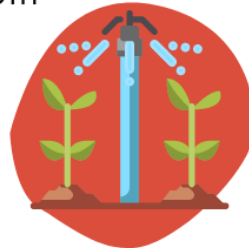
Turn the tap off
while brushing
your teeth



Aim for 5-minute
showers



Check your home
for leaks



Make sure your irrigation
system is efficient



It's time for a #SprinklerSpruceUp.

Spruce Up Your Sprinkler System



Your irrigation system labored all summer long to keep your landscape lush.

Show it a little TLC as we approach fall and inspect, connect, direct, and select your way to water efficiency with a sprinkler spruce-up:

Inspect

Inspect your sprinkler system for breaks and leaks! Look for sprinkler heads that do not pop up fully or are tilted. If you find a broken sprinkler head or leak, place a flag so you can fix it later or show a professional where a fix is needed!

Connect

Connect sprinklers, pipes and valves. Leaks can occur at the joints between sprinklers and the piping. Leaking joints can also be a sign of too much water pressure or particles in the water. Between irrigation cycles, look for areas of the landscape with water pooling on the surface; that could be a sign of an underground leak. Check the connections inside valve boxes to make sure all the valves and other components are securely connected and that the valves can shut. If the valves are not able to close completely, your system could slowly seep water even when it is turned off.

Direct

Direct sprinklers for best water coverage. Make sure you aren't watering sidewalks, roads, or driveways.

Select

For extra water savings, select a WaterSense-labeled irrigation controller.

[Visit WaterSense Website](#)



**HELP KEEP OUR BEACHES CLEAN THIS
INTERNATIONAL COASTAL CLEANUP DAY**

September 21 is #InternationalCoastalCleanupDay!

Here's how you can help:

Don't flush prescription medications or throw them away — properly dispose of

them in one of Beaufort County's drop-off boxes.

- Properly dispose of any chemicals or oils used for cleaning or car maintenance.
 - Don't litter — and pick up any trash you see at the beach or on the river banks when safe to do so.
 - Make sure your irrigation controllers aren't watering the streets, driveway or sidewalk. Runoff can collect debris & other contaminants and enter our local waterways via the storm drain system.
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**KIWANIS CLUB OF
HILTON HEAD ISLAND**

**CHILI
COOK OFF**



Sign up now to sponsor or cook!

The 39th Annual Kiwanis Club of Hilton Head Island Chili Cook Off & Jeep Island Presented by Hampton by Hilton will take place from Noon to 3 p.m. on Saturday, Oct.12, at a new location: Lowcountry Celebration Park, 94 Pope Avenue, Hilton Head Island.

The event raises much-needed funding for local youth charities. Learn more & sign up to cook or sponsor the event [here](#).

**Reminder: Please don't flush wipes or
paper towels**

Curious why you can't flush wipes or paper towels?

Even the so-called "flushable" wipes can clog your pipes. Why? They don't dissolve in the same way toilet paper does!

Flushing items other than toilet paper & human waste can lead to costly repairs and a big mess! If you — or your little

one — wants to see exactly why you shouldn't flush wipes, head to our website & check out the wipes vs. toilet paper science experiment!

Plus find other free resources (including locations of drop-off boxes to properly dispose of unused prescription medications):



What Not To Flush



THERE'S STRENGTH IN OUR NUMBERS.

Lowcountry Community Indicators

The Lowcountry region—Beaufort, Colleton, Hampton, and Jasper Counties—experienced unprecedented growth, development, and change between 1990 and 2005. Between 2007 and 2010, a nationwide economic downturn negatively affected the region. Since 2011, the regional economy has shown signs of continuously rebounding. There is a great deal of quantitative information and data available that both confirms and explains what has taken place.

To continue monitoring and evaluating the state of the Lowcountry region, the Lowcountry Community Indicators (LCI) Project was initiated. The LCI consolidates the Community Foundation of the Lowcountry's Community Indicators Report and the Lowcountry Council of Governments' the People and the Economy Report. These two reports are complementary, providing common criteria and metrics related to the Lowcountry region.

The main objective of the LCI is to provide a centralized community

resource offering relevant indicators that help support informed decision-making. The LCI will assist citizen leaders, public officials and policy makers, nonprofit organizations, businesses, researchers, and the media in making decisions to positively affect the community's well-being.

The LCI offers key indicators for the region that are understandable, meaningful, and accessible through its website www.lowcountrycommunityindicators.org. The website allows users to view, navigate to, and download specific, relevant indicators of each topic mentioned above. In addition, the user will have the ability to locate all the data for one specific county or compare the data for all four counties.

If you have any questions about the project, or would like to provide feedback, please contact info@lowcountrycommunityindicators.org.

To learn more about the Community Foundation of the Lowcountry, visit www.cf-lowcountry.org; and to learn more about Lowcountry Council of Governments, visit www.lowcountrycog.org.

Community Happenings



JOIN
THE SEA PINES
RESORT'S ANNUAL
BEACH SWEEP

- FRIDAY
- SEPTEMBER 20TH
- THE SEA PINES BEACH CLUB
- 2-3 P.M.

[HTTPS://WWW.SEAPINES.COM/EVENTS/BEACH-SWEEP](https://www.seapines.com/events/beach-sweep)

Harbourfest at Shelter Cove Harbour & Marina

This year's Sea Pines Beach Sweep is on Friday, September 20!

Take part in the largest one-day volunteer cleanup event of its kind in South Carolina, coordinated by the Ocean Conservancy in conjunction with the International Coastal Cleanup. Learn more [here](#).

Hilton Head PSD Affiliations

We are proud to partner with the following organizations.



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