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Hilton Head PSD earns Laboratory of Excellence recognition

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 866 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 PSD Water Quality Supervisor Sarah Hickman.

"The quality of our tap water is paramount to Hilton Head PSD," said PSD General Manager Pete Nardi. "The Laboratory of Excellence achievement reflects the skill and commitment of Sarah Hickman and our in-house PSD Water Quality Laboratory, and our utility's dedication to meeting the highest standards for our island."



Your sprinklers shouldn't be watering the sidewalk.



As we head into summer, it's extra important to practice smart irrigation.

Irrigation systems are often the quiet culprits of water waste. They run early, out of sight, and sometimes out of sync with what landscapes actually need.

On Hilton Head Island, a year-round ordinance limits irrigation to two days per week. It's a simple rule with a meaningful impact, particularly during dry stretches.

But compliance alone isn't the finish line. Efficiency is where real conservation happens.

A few practical checkpoints for homeowners:

- Make sure your rain sensor is active and working so systems don't run during or after rainfall

- Regularly inspect sprinkler heads & your entire irrigation system to confirm it's working correctly, without any leaks
- Direct sprinklers to water only your garden and/or landscaping — not sidewalks, driveways or the street
- Adjust zones seasonally so you're not overwatering

More Smart Irrigation Tips

Hilton Head PSD wants you to help save water.



Know the local irrigation law:



Single family homes with even-numbered addresses irrigate on Tuesdays and Saturdays only.



Single family homes with odd-numbered addresses irrigate on Wednesdays and Sundays only.



Commercial buildings irrigate on Mondays and Thursdays only.



Irrigation systems must have working rain sensors.

It's the right thing to do!

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Visit our Native Plant Demonstration Garden!



Ready to plant your own pollinator garden, but need help figuring out which flowers to buy? Visit our Native Plant Demonstration Garden!

The garden, which opened last month, is a partnership among the PSD, Hilton Head Audubon Society, and Lowcountry Master Gardener Association. It features a variety of plants that are native to the Hilton Head area and is a great way to encourage and protect local birds.

Stop by anytime between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday - Friday at our facility located at 21 Oak Park Dr.

Why We Love Native Plants

Native plants thrive on their own: They require much less watering and less maintenance in general.

Why? Because they're adapted to our local soil and climate conditions.

Native plants also help the environment by providing natural habitats in your lawn – helping birds, pollinators and other animals and insects thrive.

Want to browse some of the area's native plants before you head to the demonstration garden? Check out the native plant finder from the South Carolina Native Plant Society by clicking the button below.

[Native Plant Finder](#)



This Independence Day, break free from water waste outdoors.

Add the cycle-and-soak method into your irrigation routine and let water savings ring!

Learn more from our WaterSense partner:

[Visit WaterSense Website](#)

Our office will be closed on Friday, July 3, in observance of the federal holiday.

For assistance with water and wastewater service problems, please call our Customer Service Center at 681-5525. On-call personnel will be available to assist you 24 hours a day.



**VIEW HILTON HEAD PSD'S 2025
WATER QUALITY REPORT NOW**

Our water is clean, safe and reliable.

Our 2025 Water Quality Report is ready — and once again, Hilton Head PSD meets or exceeds all state and federal drinking water standards.

From source to tap, our team works year-round to ensure your water is not only safe, but sustainable.

Hilton Head Public Service District (PSD) regularly provides important information about the drinking water. Hilton Head PSD is governed by an elected Board of Commissioners who typically meet on the fourth Tuesday of each month in the Community Room at the Water Resource Center, located at 21 Oak Park Drive, located off Matthews Drive on Hilton Head Island. If you have any questions about the report or about the water, please contact the PSD General Manager Pete Nardi at 843-681-0525 or info@hhpsd.com.

See the full report at the link below.

[View Water Quality Report](#)

Cover it. Check it. Conserve it.

Pool water efficiency starts with you.



This summer, follow these tips from our WaterSense Partner to help you save water and keep your pool running efficiently.

- ✓ Check for leaks
- ✓ Use a pool cover to reduce evaporation
- ✓ Keep filters clean
- ✓ Don't overfill

Small changes = big savings for your wallet and our island's water resources! 🌊



Learn more with this free Pool Efficiency Guide from WaterSense. Check it out at the link below.

Are you prepared?

Check out our Hurricane Season 101 guide



Do you have a hurricane plan?

Now that we're officially in hurricane season, it's important to be prepared. Your plan should include:

- Knowing your zone & evacuation routes
- Having a prepared emergency kit with food, water, flash lights & other supplies
- Having a "go bag" ready with important documents, personal items, a change of clothes & any medications
- Figuring out where you can take your pet if you do need to evacuate

- Learning how to protect your home, including knowing where the main water valve shutoff is located

You can find more helpful tips on our website. And remember: If a hurricane does head our way, please follow advice from local & state authorities, including the Beaufort County Sheriff's Office & South Carolina Emergency Management Division.

Hurricane Season 101

**Help keep our
waterways clean.**



June is both National Ocean Month & National River Month!

So before the month is over, we want to remind everyone to help keep our local waterways clean.

Did you know water runoff is one of the main causes of pollution to our waterways?

When it rains, water moves across streets, lawns, parking lots, and driveways, picking up pollutants along the way and carrying them into nearby streams, rivers, lakes, and wetlands.

Here are some ways you can help prevent pollution from water runoff at & around your home:

- 👉 Don't litter, and pick up any trash you see, especially around storm drains.
- 👉 Try to limit use of pesticides, fertilizers and other chemicals. Excess use can contribute to pollution & algae growth.
- 👉 Never dump cleaning products, chemicals, oil, or anything other than straight water down a storm drain, or even in your lawn or driveway.
- 👉 Maintain your vehicle, and clean up any leaks if they happen.
- 👉 Clean up after your pet. Their waste can contaminate our waterways.

Together, we can help protect & preserve our local rivers & other waterways for generations to come.

Another way to keep from polluting our waterways is to make sure you're properly disposing of unused medications. That means taking them to one of Beaufort County's drop-off boxes — never flush or throw away prescription medications! Learn more & see drop-off box locations at the link below.

Drop-Off Box Locations



Save water in your garden!

JUST FOLLOW THE TIPS IN CAPTION

If you've started a garden this Spring, there are several ways you can save water & still end up with a bountiful harvest — or beautiful flowers.

Here are some water-saving tips for your garden:

🌱 Make sure you're watering at the right time of day. Early morning before the sun is high in the sky is best — but evening or night time works, too.

🌱 Add mulch to your garden. It'll help keep down weeds, while also reducing water evaporation.

🌱 Use compost. Similar to mulch, adding more organic matter to your soil helps it retain water.

🌱 Map out your garden based on water needs. Keeping plants that need more water next to each other can help pinpoint the extra watering needs, rather than overwatering the plants that don't need as much.

🌱 Save water used for rinsing your produce & use it to water your garden!

 Get a rain barrel! This allows you to collect rain water, which you can then use to water your garden — without ever turning on the tap.

More Tips from our WaterSense Partner



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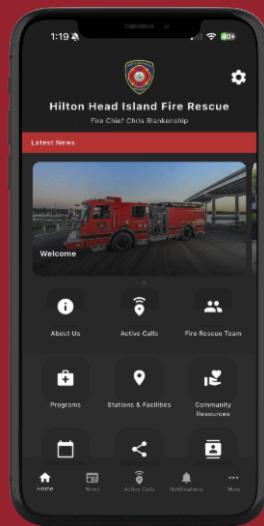
Read how WaterSense labeled products helped people save last year:

Community Happenings



Sunset Celebrations

Live, local music in the park each Friday night, Jun 19 - Aug 7, 7-10pm. Bring beach chairs or blankets and grab take-out from any of the Shelter Cove Towne Centre (SCTC) restaurants or Kroger and sit back and enjoy the Broad Creek breeze. These FREE concerts are brought to you by the SCTC merchants. SCTC also hosts Summer Jams on Tuesday nights, and Movie Nights on Thursdays. [Learn more here.](#)



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