



Island County Public Works

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Insert Date

Name

Address

City

Parcel Number

RE: Proposed assessments and increased maintenance and operation fee, Marshall Drainage Basin

You are receiving this letter as you are the owners of property that is within, or partially within, what's known as the Marshall Drainage Basin. A Storm and Surface Water Utility (Utility) was established in 1995 to install and manage drainage infrastructure in the Marshall Drainage Basin. Public Works is proposing changes to the charges for the Utility to provide funds for ongoing infrastructure needs.

The proposed total annual charge for the property that you own is: \$XXX for the 2024 – 2028 period.

ASSESSMENT: Island County Public Works is proposing to add an assessment to the parcels within the Marshall Drainage Basin to cover the following infrastructure costs:

- Replacement of three pumps in 2023 \$45,000
- Seashell Court Drainage project \$40,000
- Tide Gate Replacement \$40,000
- Replacement of three pumps in 2016 \$20,000
 - Emergency installation costs were covered by a loan from the Real Estate Excise Tax Fund. This assessment repays that loan.

Parcels and county roads are assessed based on the amount of pervious and impervious areas of the parcel area located within the basin.

MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION FEE:

In order for the Utility to build up funds to pay for regular replacement of the three pumps, Public Works is proposing a \$15 increase to the annual maintenance fee. The current annual maintenance and operation fee is \$30 / year per parcel. The increased annual maintenance and operation fee would be \$45/year per parcel.

TOTALS: The proposed total annual charges for parcels range from \$71.00 - \$1,651.15.

Questions? Want more information? Visit our website, come to a public meeting, or contact us!

WEBSITE: <https://www.islandcountywa.gov/768/Marshall-Drainage-Utility>

Information on this website includes a map showing the boundaries of the Marshall Drainage Basin, a brief history of the Utility, a full listing of the proposed charges, draft code changes, draft resolution.



COMMUNITY MEETING: Wednesday, September 14th, 2023
4:30 – 5:30 pm
Clinton Community Hall
6411 Central Ave, Clinton

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PUBLIC HEARING: Tentatively, Tuesday, October 10th, 2023, at 10 am
In-person and virtual attendance options

Board of County Commissioners Hearing Room (Room 102B Basement)
Island County Annex Bldg.
1 NE 6th Street, Coupeville, WA

A link to an on-line option will be on the agenda for the day of the hearing (likely October 10th), which will be posted on this website:
<https://www.islandcountywa.gov/AgendaCenter>

This is an opportunity for the public to provide in-person / virtual comments regarding these proposed charges.

Public comments can also be emailed to CommentBOCC@islandcountywa.gov or mailed to Island County BOCC, 1 NE 7th Street, Coupeville, WA 98239. In your comment, include the date of the hearing and the item for which you want to provide written comment. Written comments will not be read during the meeting. All board members will receive the written comments.

Following the public comment period at the Public Hearing, the Board of Island County Commissioners will decide if they would like to defer their decision to a later date, modify the proposed code changes, or adopt the proposed code changes as presented.

Respectfully,

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Director/County Engineer
Island County Public Works

Cc: Alpha/Day/Storm and Surface Water Utility