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Meet Your Commissioner - Don Montfort

Don Montfort has served as a District Commissioner for 22 years. His first term as District Commissioner began in 1994. At the time he was elected, Birch Bay was in a new-connection moratorium due to a lack of sufficient water supply to meet projected growth for the area. Montfort believed that conservation was an obvious response and decided to join the Board to advocate for this least expensive, most efficient, environmentally responsible approach to increase water availability and meet future demand.

Over his 22 years of service he has worked on many District projects, but his favorite and most rewarding project has been working with the city of Blaine to ensure the future of a fresh and clean water supply for both communities. Additionally, the ability to rely on the skilled professionals at the District has made every project enjoyable.



Commissioner Don Montfort

Montfort comes with extensive experience in the water and sewer world. He served as General Manager for the Lummi Tribal Water and Sewer District and

for Evergreen Water and Sewer District. In addition to his work experience, Montfort was a founding board member of the Washington Association of Sewer and Water Districts. He has helped approve over one billion dollars in low cost utility loans, including \$30 million in sewer construction loans to Blaine during his eight years on the Washington State Public Works Board.

Montfort is a life long resident of Blaine and Birch Bay and has a Juris Doctor degree from California Western School of Law. Outside of being a District Commissioner, he is an active member of the community having served on the Birch Bay Chamber of Commerce, Whatcom Self-Help Homes and the Northwest Park and Recreation District.

District Utilizing Board Docs for Board Meetings

As an effort to increase public involvement, the District implemented an online paperless Board meeting solution that allows the public to view meeting agendas and minutes. To access Board Docs, please visit our website www.bbwsd.com and click on the Board Docs logo on the main page. You will be redirected to the new location of meeting agendas and minutes.



Blaine 4th Graders Pledge to A.C.T.



Winners from left to right are: first place Max Meshkov; second place Ava Freeman; and third place Lexi Gibson.

Blaine fourth grade students and teachers gathered to celebrate the 2016 winners of the Water Awareness poster contest sponsored by the city of Blaine, Birch Bay Water and Sewer District and RE Sources for Sustainable Communities on Friday, June 3rd. The poster contest had three themes this year that supported the students' classroom pledge to A.C.T. to keep our water resources clean and abundant. A stood for awareness of the importance of water for life, C stood for conserve and use less water every day and T stood for take action to keep pollutants out of our water supply. Students were asked, depending on their classroom, to create a poster that showed their knowledge of water, how to conserve water or how to protect water from pollutants.

District to upgrade waterline on Blaine Road

The District will begin construction in July to upgrade the existing 8 inch waterline along Blaine Road. The upgrade will provide additional reliability to the District's water system and increase fire flow. The project extends from Loomis Trail to Birch Bay Lynden Road and from Birch Bay Lynden Road to Double R Ranch. The project bid was recently awarded to Faber Brothers and is estimated to take four months to complete.



Voluntary Watering Schedule June 1 - Sept. 15

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
ODD	No Watering	EVEN	ODD	EVEN	ODD	EVEN

Effective June 1st through September 15th, the District will again be implementing its voluntary watering schedule to help manage our water supply during the summer months. Residents with odd numbered street addresses may water on Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays. Residents with even numbered street addresses may water on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. Mondays are non-watering days to allow the District's reservoirs to recharge after the weekend. For more information visit www.bbwsd.com or contact the District at 360-371-7100.



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