



# FEBRUARY 2022

On 2/2/22 Punxsutawney Phil saw his shadow, predicting 6  
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## Updates and Tips

### SYSTEM UPGRADES

Your PUD is working hard on a wide range of upgrades including replacing systems controls and filtration at our main water treatment plant.

We are actively working with state leadership to secure funds to help with these system improvements.

### CONSERVATION TIP OF THE MONTH

Concerned about a high water bill? Approximately 27% of domestic water usage comes from toilet flushing. A leaky toilet can have a major impact on your bill. However, a leaky toilet is harder to detect than a leaky faucet because it can be silent. You may not hear or notice it running.

Here is a simple at home test you can use to see if your toilet is leaking:

- Drip 10 to 15 drops of food coloring into the toilet tank. DO NOT FLUSH
- Wait 10 minutes
- If colored water appears in the toilet bowl, you have a leak.

A faulty flapper or plunger ball causes most toilet leaks. Remember to check them regularly and replace when necessary.

### EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

In wake of the recent tsunami, here are some emergency preparedness tips and resources. We are updating our emergency response plan and so should you!

- Be Informed
- Make a Plan
- Build An Emergency Kit
- Have a plan for your pets too!

#### Resources:

[ready.gov](https://www.ready.gov) (how to plan, prepare and build a kit)  
[oralert.gov](https://www.oralert.gov) (sign up for local emergency alerts)  
[oregon.gov](https://www.oregon.gov) and [redcross.org](https://www.redcross.org) (more great info)

### RATE STUDY

We will be conducting a rate analysis. The PUD did not raise its rates last year and we are anticipating the need to do so as the nation approaches record inflation rates. These are the very first steps, so customers will not see a rate increase until the summer.

THE PUD WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY FEBRUARY 21st  
FOR PRESIDENTS DAY

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THE NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING IS  
WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 16th AT 10AM AT THE  
DISTRICT OFFICE.

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