

Valley Water District

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To: Kapowsin Water District Customers

Re: Water Service

As you are aware, Valley Water District (VWD) has been working to secure funding on behalf of Kapowsin Water District to make the required repairs to remedy the failed water source. Unfortunately, there has been no commitment from Rural Development that the emergency grant funding application that was submitted in July of this year has been or will be approved.


At the open public meeting held on October 17, 2017, the VWD Board of Commissioners approved a motion to terminate the Agreement for Water System Management and Operation effective November 17, 2017.

Washington State Department of Health and Pierce County are aware of the issues surrounding Kapowsin Water District. The Department of Health is preparing to file a petition to place the water system into receivership prior to the VWD November 17th termination date. Should the court name Pierce County receiver, they expect to assist the Kapowsin community in the following ways:

1. Pierce County has access to emergency funds to take immediate action to continue trucking water, hire an interim water management company, and begin working on solutions for a permanent water source.
2. Pierce County will continue to work to secure grants to help pay for necessary improvements; including pursuing the already submitted emergency grant from Rural Development.

You should be receiving communication from Department of Health and/or Pierce County in the near future regarding the future of the system and what the next steps will be.

For additional questions or concerns contact: **Commissioner Tricia Hodge 253-370- 5156.**



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