

Camano Cooperative Water & Power Company

SUMMER 2025

CELEBRATING 100 YEARS! 1925-2025



MONTHLY BOARD MEETINGS:

July 17 2025

August 21, 2025

September 18, 2025

LEAKS REPAIRED:

Westmoor

Sandpiper Loop

MAINS REPLACED:

Rutland



CCWP's 100th Anniversary

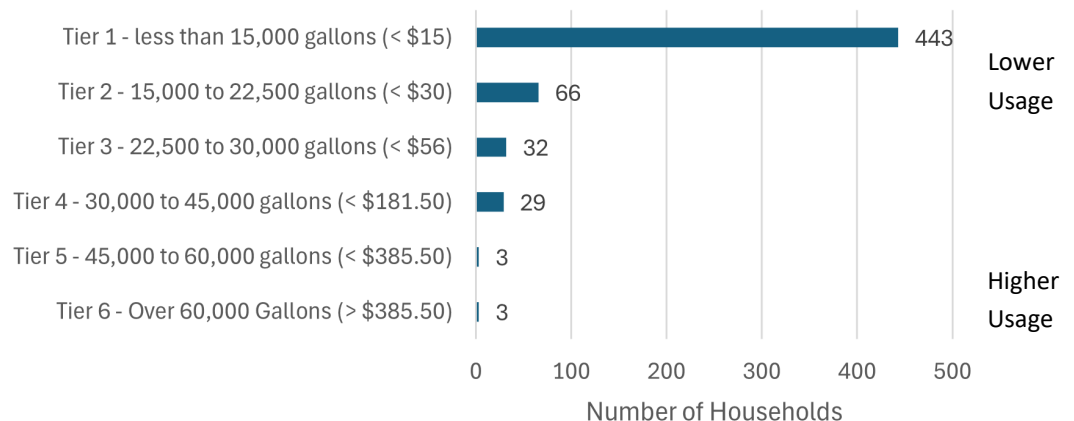
As we look back over the last 100 years of our Cooperative, we look forward with anticipation to all that the future holds. From the days of old wooden water pipes to our current radio read acoustic leak detection meters — a lot has changed over the years! Your Board is committed to maintaining a strong water system that will support sustainability for generations to come.

A large portion of our work involves replacing deteriorating and undersized mains throughout the system. Special thank you to the Rutland and Camano View residents for their patience while the leaking galvanized main on Rutland Place was replaced this spring. Construction will continue with replacement along the Camano View portion in the next few months. It is exciting to see years of planning come to fruition with more reliable services for our shareholders.

Happy Retirement Lee!

After over 18 years of serving the Cooperative in numerous clerical and accounting roles, Lee Caskey has officially retired. We are thankful for her faithful dedication to keep the Cooperative's finances and records in tip top shape. Congratulations on your retirement and many blessings ahead Lee!

Shareholder Water Usage April - June 2025



NOTE: Water used within the first tier is the least expensive. If a customer's water use exceeds the limit of the first tier, subsequent water use is charged at a higher, second tier rate. This continues on up to the sixth tier.

100 Years

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Formerly filled with vacation getaways including: Indian Beach Resort, Camp Comfort, Camp Pleasant (west of Camano Chapel), and Manaco Beach — the loop around Camano Island was known as the “Playground Highway”. Over the years the resorts have since been converted to single family residences.



Our water originally came from the groundwater at Chapman Creek. In 1993, the Weston Well was added as a water source. In 2004, the Lost Meadows Well was added and a filtration system was installed.



Camano Chapel was dedicated by Rev. Billy Graham in 1951—over 3500 people attended the event.



The schoolhouse was built about 1906. In 1937, the school district closed the school and students were bused to Stanwood. The Camano Schoolhouse Foundation purchased the schoolhouse in 2012 and the firehall in 2018 to preserve this important historical landmark.

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ORIGINAL SHAREHOLDERS
... now 590 shareholders

\$20

ORIGINAL COST OF WATER SHARE
...now valued at \$19,500

\$15

QUARTERLY DUES IN 1977

40

ACRES WITH WATER RIGHTS
PURCHASED IN 1933

13

FIRE HYDRANTS INSTALLED BY 1959
...now there are 34

2300

FEET OF WOOD PIPE IN USE IN 1952;
NOTED IT SHOULD LAST TILL 1965

In 1974, the “Chlorinator” was installed at the Springs near Chapman Creek marking the first time CCWP water was chlorinated against bacteria.



Camano Cooperative Water & Power was incorporated in 1925. Leading the non-profit were eight shareholders: Mr. and Mrs. H.J. (Elizabeth) Rennsalaer; Mrs. Emma Kinsland whose husband Henry was a saltwater fisherman; Abraham P. McKern who managed the Camano Hotel; Mrs. Linda Helms whose husband was a laborer at a logging camp; Lythia Garrison, a neighbor of the Helms whose husband worked as a provision hauler at a logging camp; Edgar Johnson who worked with his wife cooking at a restaurant; and John C. Russell, a farmer. Camano Island was a new settling point for all of these founders who originated from across the USA including Oregon, Iowa, Missouri, Maine, Minnesota, and Ohio. At the time, there were under 900 residents on the entire island compared to the current population of over 16,000 residents.

Camano Cooperative Water & Power has acquired several other water systems over the decades:

CCWP

June 18, 1925

Camp

Comfort

1947

Camano

Cove

1975

Lost

Meadows

1987

Monticello

1988

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