

#### FALL 2023

## **Camano Cooperative**

Water & Power Company

### Save the Date!



NEW TIME: 10AM!

### ANNUAL MEETING

#### AT THE CAMANO CHAPEL

Look for your annual packet to arrive soon either via mail or email

#### MONTHLY BOARD MEETINGS:

October 19, 2023

November 16, 2023

December 21, 2023

#### LEAKS REPAIRED AT:

Indian Beach Finch Sands Lane Westview Court Sandy Beach SeaMist



# avoid frozen pipes this minter:

As temperatures begin to drop near freezing:

□ Set home thermostats above 55 degrees during cold weather.

Drip cold water in the farthest faucet from your main valve. Moving water keeps pipes from freezing and while it does waste a bit of water, not as much as a broken pipe would cause.

- Find the shut off valves for emergencies. There is one at your water meter.
- Insulate pipes in unheated areas.
- Open cupboards and vanities to warm pipes.
- Close inside valves that control the water supply. Open the outside spigot to allow water to drain. Keep outsides valve open so water remaining in the pipe can expand without causing a break.

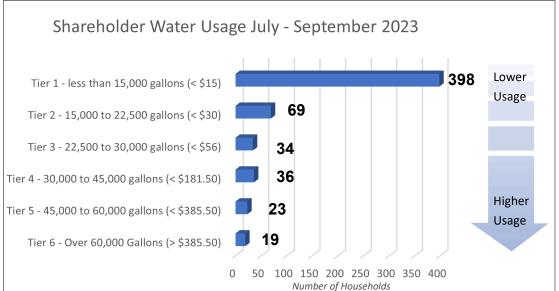
Be sure all hoses are disconnected from outdoor spigots.

But if your pipes do freeze:

**D** Shut the water off immediately at shut off valve or water meter.

Thaw pipes with hair dryer or space heater; do not use kerosene or open flames—you do not want water to boil in pipes.

Carefully turn water back on looking for cracks or leaks.



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.

### **Price Increase Notice**

Your quarterly rate is increasing by \$6 on October 1, 2023.

Effective October 1, 2023 the Operations & Maintenance portion of your quarterly bill will increase from \$130 to \$136. The last O&M increase was October 1, 2021. We are experiencing significant cost increases in all aspects of operations. While your Trustees dislike rate increases, our rates remain competitive with other water providers on the island. If you use your bank monthly bill pay, please adjust your payments accordingly.



The Chapman Creek Fish Passage Culvert project (which originated with Island County) will be delayed due to permitting issues. The project includes replacing culverts on the east and west side of Chapman Road between Camano Hill Road and Rowe Road for fish passage. We will provide further updates in Spring 2024.



By Appointment Only

We have two notaries at the CCWP office who would love to offer their notary services to our shareholders. If you are interested, please contact the office to set-up a free appointment.



#### Do you know where your water meter is located?

Knowing the location allows you to shut-off your water in the event of an emergency, track water usage, and maintain clear access for maintenance. If you don't know where your water meter is, give us a call or email—we would love to assist you!

# You're Invíted!



to "The Wonder of Christmas" Tree Lighting Celebration at the Camano Schoolhouse on <u>Saturday, November 25, 2023 6:30-8pm</u>

For more details visit www.camanoschoolhouse.org

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November 10—Veterans Day Observed November 23 & 24—Thanksgiving December 25—Christmas January 1—New Years Day