



April, 2026 NEWSLETTER

UPCOMING COMMUNITY MEETING

NEAHKAHNIE WATER DISTRICT

PUBLIC MEETING

SATURDAY, APRIL 11, 2026

10:00 AM AT THE PINE GROVE IN MANZANITA

Link to Join via Zoom: [NWD Community Meeting 4-11-26](#)

TOPICS WILL INCLUDE:

- 1. UPDATE ON DISTRICT ACTIVITIES**
- 2. FINANCIAL STATUS OF DISTRICT**
- 3. PROPOSED CHANGE TO BASE RATE**
- 4. PROPOSED WATER USE RATE CHANGES**
- 5. DISCUSSION OF CAPITAL PROJECTS**

The meeting can be remotely attended by using this link above.

The link can be found on the District's website: nknwd.org.

ANNUAL BACKFLOW PREVENTER INSPECTIONS: Protecting Our Water Supply

To help keep our community's drinking water safe, annual inspections of backflow prevention devices are required for certain properties and water uses. Backflow

preventers are critical safety devices that stop contaminated water from flowing backward into the public water system.

Who needs a backflow preventer?

Backflow prevention devices are typically required for any connection where there is a potential for contamination. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Irrigation or sprinkler systems
- Properties with fire suppression systems
- Swimming pools, hot tubs, or ponds connected to the water system
- Properties with auxiliary water sources (such as wells)
- Boilers for floor heating or other specialized equipment

Why are annual inspections required?

Over time, backflow preventers can wear down or fail. Annual testing by a certified tester ensures your device is working properly and continues to protect the public water supply from contamination.

What do you need to do?

If your property is required to have a backflow prevention device:

- Schedule an annual inspection with a certified backflow tester
- Submit test results to the Water District by the required deadline (annually by 12/15)
- **If you have not had one in the past 12 months, please schedule ASAP**
 - The testers most used by residents of the district:
 - Cindy Olson at 503.440.0440
 - D. Hammack at 503.738.8966
- Make any necessary repairs if your device does not pass inspection and reschedule another inspection

Failure to comply may result in follow-up notices or potential interruption of water service, as required by state regulations.

Questions?

If you're unsure whether your property requires a backflow preventer and you have one of the functions/features listed above, please reach out to the Districts Global Headquarters at 503.368.7309. We're here to help you stay compliant and keep our water safe for everyone.

Together, we can protect our drinking water—one inspection at a time.

Board of Commissioners, Neahkahnie Water District