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CSA Customers:

Shasta County Department of Public Works reads your water meter every other month to determine your water use and bill.

You can also use your meter to monitor your own usage and to check for water leaks.

Locate your Water Meter

Meters are inside a concrete box with the word "water" marked on the lid. Meters are usually located at the front of the property near the street. In some cases, our customers in outlying areas can have the meter located in the rear of their property.

How to Read the Water Meter

Remove the concrete lid of the water meter box. Inside you will find a meter similar to the one shown in Figure 1. Once inside the meter box, lift the lid covering the face of the meter register. If register lens is dirty, a light wipe with a damp cloth will clear lens for an accurate reading. Always remember to close the register cover after reading meter to avoid exposure to cracking or scratching of lens.



Figure 1

The meter below is an example of what most of our water meters look like. The numeric dials rotate when water passes through the meter. One full rotation of the sweep hand equals one cubic foot of water. The odometer records total water usage similar to how a car records mileage. The water meter odometer records water use in cubic feet. The digits right to left represent 1 cubic foot, 10 cubic feet, 100 cubic feet, and so on. When the meter is read for billing, all the numbers from left to right are recorded, however are billed in hundreds of cubic feet (HCF) only.

