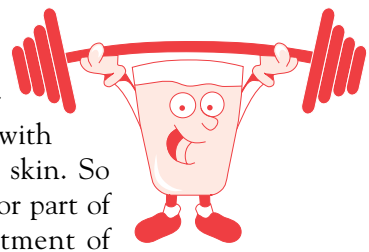


Water for Your Health



Drinking water is good for your health. Water allows the body to function properly and helps with weight loss and the maintenance of healthy skin. So drinking enough water daily should be a major part of your health regimen this year. The Department of Watershed Management is dedicated to providing clean safe drinking water to all our customers. Go ahead, drink to your health!

Water for the Heart

February is American Heart Month.



Water ways to keep your heart healthy:

- Drink water – It’s true. Drinking at least eight glasses of water a day naturally promotes health and wellness.
- Play in water – Include swimming, fishing and other fun and heart-strengthening water activities in your recreation plans.

- Work with water – Get out and enjoy working in and watering your garden during the warmer months. It’s great exercise and good for the heart.

Visit www.americanheart.org for more heart health information.

African-American Pioneers in Water, Wastewater and the Environment

As we celebrate Black History Month, the Department of Watershed Management (DWM) recognizes the innovations of African-American pioneers in the water and wastewater industries and the significant contributions of African Americans in the development of Atlanta’s water and sewer systems. DWM also acknowledges the hard work and dedication of African-American environmentalists in protecting our water resources.



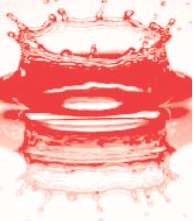
West Atlanta Watershed Alliance

Since its creation in 1995, the West Atlanta Watershed Alliance (WAWA) has fostered the preservation of greenspace and waterways in southwest Atlanta through education and community involvement. WAWA was the first environmental awareness group in an African-American community in the Atlanta area to focus on environmental concerns from a watershed perspective. Visit www.wawaonline.org to get involved.

Important Numbers to Remember

- Customer Service: 404-658-6500
- Customer Service E-mail: watershedhelp@atlwater.com
- Water Service Concerns: 404-658-7220
- Sewer Service Concerns: 404-624-0751

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AMR System Installation Under Way

The Department of Watershed Management has begun installation of an Automated Meter Reading (AMR) system that will allow Atlanta's water meters to be read electronically. The AMR system will simplify and ensure the accuracy of the meter reading and billing processes, thereby enhancing customer service.

Through the ATL READ AMR project, aged non- or poorly functioning meters are being replaced with new meters already fitted with the AMR device. The AMR device is being installed on existing meters that are compatible with the device and still functioning properly.

After installation, meter readers capture radio signals of usage readings for each meter every month while driving by in vehicles fitted with mobile devices.

Since there is no chance of human error, this electronic transfer ensures billing accuracy each month and eliminates the need to occasionally estimate bills.

More than 350 meters were upgraded with AMR technology during pilot installation that started in west Atlanta neighborhoods in early December 2006. System-wide installation will take three years and will take place on a meter route/billing cycle basis. Look for more information as the project moves to your area. Visit www.atlantawatershed.org for more information on the project and answers to frequently asked questions.

ATL READ
AUTOMATED METER READING PROJECT

Report Water Main Breaks

Water main breaks and leaks are more prevalent in older water/sewer systems such as Atlanta's. When left unaddressed, main breaks and leaks result in significant water loss and can damage roads and sidewalks, causing sinkholes and cave-ins and hazardous conditions for motorists and pedestrians. We urge our customers to report leaks, main breaks and other water service emergencies and are grateful for your patience as we address them. Please be assured that we are committed to making the necessary repairs in a timely manner. We ask that you continue to report these issues to help us prevent water loss. If you see running water or puddles in the street that don't go away please call 404.658.7220 to report them.



Clean Water is Dirty Work

This year the Department of Watershed Management will start or continue construction on numerous water and sewer infrastructure improvement projects across the city. Most of these projects require construction in roadways that can lead to significant traffic disruptions and other impacts (dust, noise, etc.). Please pardon our dirty work as we make progress on these improvements to ensure clean, safe water for all Atlantans, while expanding economic opportunities.

www.atlantawatershed.org
Visit the new Department of Watershed Management website today!

