

Y-Squalicum Water Association Manganese Information Meeting

Tuesday, September 29th, 2026

7pm, at Rome Grange

2821 Mount Baker Highway

The Washington State Department of Health is examining manganese's impact on health and may mandate treatment in the future. At our last sanitary survey, the health department recommended that our water association look at treatment options.

As membership voted on at the 2026 Annual General Meeting in May, this meeting is being held to:

- 1) answer your questions
- 2) address the points below:
 - options for a manganese treatment system at our well head
 - the costs of the engineering, construction, and maintenance of a treatment system
 - grant options to pay for the engineering and/or construction of a treatment system with an estimated cost of over \$400,000, of which an estimated \$100,000 or more is for engineering services
 - the chance of getting a grant to cover the cost of the system's engineering and/or construction

You are being asked to vote on how you want your water association to proceed regarding manganese treatment, engineering, engineering funding, and shovel-ready plans.

If you cannot attend the meeting, you can email the association and receive the information documents that will be available at the meeting, or you can contact one of the board members for these documents. Email your request to: ysqualicumwater@outlook.com

Do NOT email your questions, as the meeting is being held to answer your questions.

The information you will receive in response to any emailed questions will be the same documents available at the meeting, as noted above.

If you don't attend the meeting, you can still vote on how you want your water association to proceed.

How to do that:

1. Complete the enclosed ballot and put it in the small envelope
3. Put the small envelope into the self-addressed envelope
4. **Add a stamp and put it all in the mail by October 6th**

Important information about the grant:

IF the membership votes to seek grant funding and is awarded a grant, we are not obligated to accept the grant.

Thank you! Your water association board – Ole, Marty, Patrick, Matt, Joan, Keven and Larry

PLEASE ATTEND THE MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 29TH and bring your BALLOT and your questions!