

Where does the City get its water?

Chetco Aquifer is the City's water source.

The City of Brookings extracts water from the Chetco aquifer through use of a Ranney collector (a type of well) which is essentially a central caisson with six to eight lateral arms extending outward 28 to 30 feet below the intake structure near the Chetco River.



**Water Conservation
Doing Our Share**

Three pumps are housed in the Ranney Collector which divert up to 2.3 million gallons per day water users in Brookings. Average daily water use had been about 1.83 cubic feet per second from October 2003 to September 2004. The City's peak water use has increased since that time, with usage in dry months reported as 2.72 cubic feet per second during September 2006.

City water is treated at a plant on Joe Hall Creek then pumped to treated water storage tanks. In 2005, the number of water accounts was 3,763 and the total gallons of water sold was 329,930,136.

City water, though it is classified by the Oregon Department of Health as groundwater, is chlorinated and treated. An annual Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) is sent to City water users each May.

Water Rates

City water users pay for water based on a 'graduated' rate structure, i.e. consumers pay a higher rate for water use above the average. This form of fee structure encourages water conservation.

Water users pay for water through a utilities charge which includes water, sewer and streets. An average monthly bill for water service, inside the city limits, is \$18.05 (June, 2006), plus a \$2.50 system replacement fee (SRF) for water.

Water Storage

The City currently has almost two million gallons of storage, with a two million gallon storage tank in the design stage, estimated to be completed in the Summer of 2008. This additional storage site is in East Harris Heights.

For information on how to arrange for water services, contact the **Administrative Services Department, City Hall, 898 Elk Street**, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Water distribution and wastewater collection are both provided by the City of Brookings.