

February 2022



FIX A LEAK WEEK MARCH 14-20, 2022



Because minor water leaks account for nearly one trillion gallons of water wasted each year in U.S. homes, the U.S. **Environmental Protection** Agency's (EPA) WaterSense program promotes Fix a Leak Week as an annual reminder for Americans to check household plumbing fixtures and irrigation systems for leaks. Learn more on the EPA WaterSense website: https://www.epa.gov/ watersense/fix-leak-week.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

CRW Receives Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting

CRW was recently informed that we have received the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) Certificate of Achievement for Excellence

in Financial Reporting for the Fiscal Year 2021. This Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in governmental accounting and financial reporting.

When a Certificate of Achievement is awarded to a government entity, an Award of Financial Reporting Achievement (AFRA) is also presented to the individual(s) or department designated as primarily responsible for the entity's having earned the Certificate. At CRW this would be our Finance, Accounting and Customer Service (FACS) Department.

CRW also Receives Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for Biennial Budget 2021-2023

GFOA also announced that CRW has received GFOA's *Distinguished* Budget Presentation Award for its budget.

The award reflects the commitment of the governing body and staff to meeting the highest principles of governmental budgeting. In order to receive the budget award, the entity had to satisfy nationally recognized guidelines for effective budget presentation. These guidelines are designed to assess how well an entity's budget serves as:

- a policy document
- a financial plan
- an operations guide
- a communications device

Chritoph P. Morrill Budget documents must be rated "proficient" in all four categories, and in the fourteen mandatory criteria within those categories, in order

Distinguished

Budget Presentation Award

Clackamas River Water

July 61, 2021

to receive the award. A Certificate of Recognition for Budget Presentation

is also presented to Finance, Accounting and Customer Service (FACS) Department in recognition of their work on the document.

To view the BN Budget 2021-2023 or the Financial Statement Documents, scan or click the QR Code.





CHANGES ARE COMING

Starting March 1, 2022 your utility bill will have a new *look*. Clackamas River Water strives to enhance our customer experience and make paying your bill easy. You will now be able to make a payment, sign-up for autopay, and go paperless all in one stop. Look for more details in your upcoming billing statement.





Pay your bill online at:
https://billing.crwater.com
503-722-9220

WHERE WERE YOU?

Where were you on January 17, 1994? On that day the Northridge California Earthquake occurred which from a water utility perspective resulted in the most extensive damage to a U.S. water supply system since the 1906 San Francisco earthquake.



This month's edition of the CRW Podcast takes a look at the Northridge Earthquake and what lessons CRW, as a water provider, can learn and apply to help make our water system more resilient. This is especially important when planning, constructing, or improving our infrastructure. Be sure to listen to this month's CRW podcast (see below).









