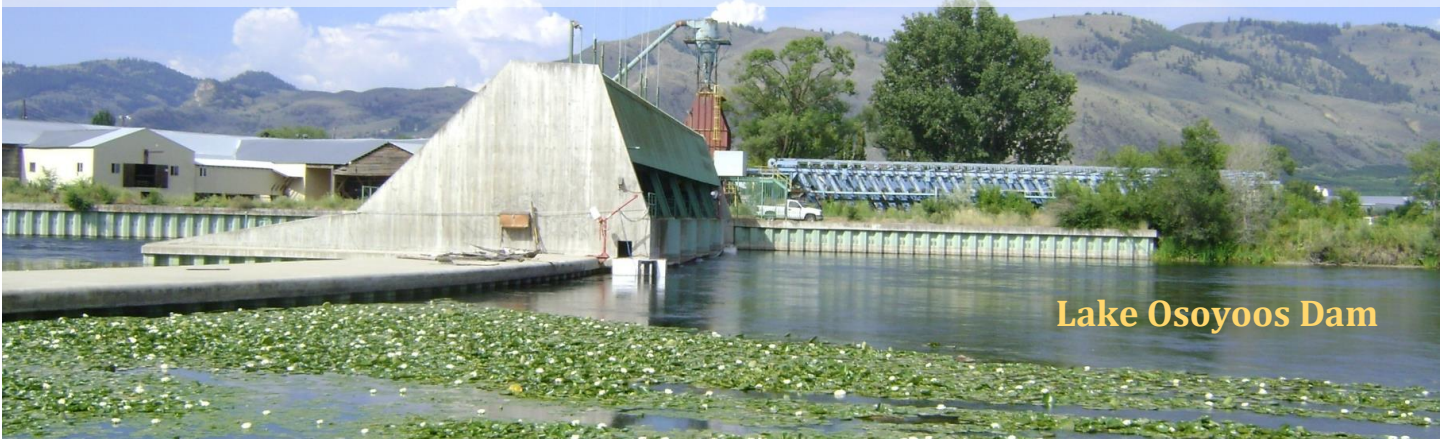


Dam Safety News



Additional Information

New this year:

- Information for online payments
- Upcoming website changes

Request:

- Send us your e-mail address. Help us contact you if there is an issue of concern in your area.

Reminders:

- Emergency Action Plan contact information
- Wildfire procedures

Contact:

Charlotte Lattimore
(360) 407-6066
Email charlotte.lattimore@ecy.wa.gov

Special accommodations

To request ADA accommodation, call Ecology at 360-407-6872, 711 (relay service), or 877-833-6341 (TTY).

New! Pay for your annual inspection fees online

The Department of Ecology's Dam Safety Office is now accepting online payments starting with this year's billing.

To provide you with additional payment options, we are now accepting online payments for annual inspection fees. Log in to our EcoPay system: <https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/ecoepay/> and follow the prompts. For assistance call: (360) 407-6066.

- Our secure online payment system meets all e-commerce standards and best practices.
- There are no additional fees for using this system when payments are made using an electronic check or direct account withdrawal.
- Payments made with a credit or debit card will be charged an additional 2.5% fee.
- As always, you are still welcome to pay by check or money order.

Coming soon! Updates to the Dam Safety website

- We're making significant changes to our website. We're hoping the new design will make it easier for you to find what you need. We expect the new website to launch in the fall of 2017.
- With the relaunch, all old web addresses (URLs) will change. You will want to make new browser bookmarks for your favorite pages.

Fires reflected in the sky,
Okanogan County, July 2014



After the floods, downstream of
Wenner Lakes, Okanogan County,
August 2014



Hawkins Dam (restored), Okanogan
County, June 2017



Help us help you. Please send us your email!

To better keep you informed, we are creating an email distribution list.

- Email contact information for your dam (including dam name, address, owner and primary point of contact emails) to Charlotte Lattimore at charlotte.lattimore@ecy.wa.gov

Emergency Action Plan contact information

If you haven't done so already, [update your Emergency Contact information in your Emergency Action Plan and Operations & Maintenance Manual with the following information:](#)

If a dam safety emergency occurs:

1. Call **911**, then
2. Call State Division of Emergency Management Duty Officer (available 24 hours/day) at **1-800-258-5990**
 - a. Clearly state that this is a "**dam safety emergency**"
3. During regular office hours, contact the Ecology Dam Safety Office, (360) 407-6872.

Wildfire impacts on dams - be prepared

Be aware of flash floods or wildfire at the dam or in the upstream watershed. You may need to activate your Emergency Action Plan.

When it is safe to return to the dam:

- Inspect and assess damage to dam, spillways, and appurtenant facilities.
- Assess whether access to the dam may be vulnerable to blockage by debris flows.
- Assess whether spillways may be vulnerable to blockage by debris flows or by floating debris in the reservoir.
- The Wildfire Impact on Dams insert for your Emergency Action Plan is available on our website or by contacting us.

For additional information on calculating burned watershed hydrology, refer to the following guidance:

<http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wr/dams/GuidanceDocs.html>