



Get ready

- Go to our website and find out if we have a record of your water right.
- Learn how much water you use from your pump or well.

Let's talk about adjudication

When it is not clear who has the right to use water, adjudication reviews all water use in a local court process. Everyone needs to submit a claim that explains the water they use.

If you use water from a source other than a public water system, it's important to take part in the adjudication to secure your future right to use water.

What's next for the Nooksack

- **We** notify all water users by certified mail. **Spring 2024**
The mailing will include instructions and a form for you to return.
- **You** fill out the form about your water use and submit it to the court in person, by mail or online within one year of receipt.
- **We** review the forms and let you know if we need more information.
- **We** write a report about your water use.
- **The court** considers the final report, decides on everyone's water rights, and issues a list in order of priority. If you disagree with the report, you may file an objection with the court.

Nooksack adjudication begins in 2024



Learn more and stay informed



Contact us

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2024

Receive forms by certified mail



2024 - 2025

Fill out forms and return within 1 year.



2025 - future

Ecology reviews forms and court rules on water rights.

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