

WATER AVAILABILITY GUIDELINES

- Your Certificate of Water Availability will typically be processed within 10 working days. You will receive a phone call when it is complete and ready to be picked up. Special circumstances, such as system modeling and evaluation, may require additional processing time. This will be communicated to you within the 10 working days.
- Part A must be completed and the form returned by fax, mail, or by dropping off.
***If you have filled out a gold Pierce County form, please transfer your information to the form attached and fill in the remainder of PART A. (There will be no problem with Pierce County accepting the attached form.)
- Fees for the water availabilities vary from \$29-\$345 depending on the type of request.
 - \$29 for Firgrove residential customers currently connected to the system and making changes to the existing residence/property.
 - \$58 for new single family projects not currently connected to Firgrove but located in the Firgrove service area.
 - \$115 for all duplex, triplex, quadplex (2-4 units)
 - \$230 for all Commercial, Subdivision, Residential Building 5 or more units
 - \$345 for all Non Customer Certificates for Fire Flow Guarantee
- The completed document can be faxed or mailed if payment has been made in person or by mail, otherwise it may be paid at the time of pickup.
- Certificates are valid for one year from the date of signature.
- No final signatures for occupancy will be issued until the required system installation is complete and accepted by Firgrove. If there is any question as to whether a fire hydrant will be required for the project, the final signature will not be completed (this information can be obtained from the Fire Prevention Bureau). If no hydrants or other water system components need to be installed, the final signature may then be obtained.
- Copies of all active Certificates of Water Availability are kept in Firgrove files until expired.
- Fire flows issued are the standard for Pierce County based on the type of project; additional fire flow amounts may be available upon request.
- Any business or residence requesting a Certificate of Water Availability subjects the property to review by Firgrove to verify that the property meets current meter sizing and other standards. Any property with an undersized meter, which is brought to the attention of Firgrove by way of water availability request, tenant improvement, or other building change, will be required to upgrade their meter to the size that meets Firgrove's current standards. Credit will be given for any existing shares at the current rate.