

**AHTANUM IRRIGATION DISTRICT
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND AGENDA**

Ahtanum Valley Wastewater Project

Date: Tuesday, October 27, 2026

Time: 7:00 p.m.

**Location: 10705 Gilbert Road
Yakima, WA 98903**

1. I. NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

- a. Notice is hereby given that the Ahtanum Irrigation District will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, October 27, 2026, at 7:00 p.m., at the Ahtanum Irrigation District Office, located at 10705 Gilbert Road, Yakima, Washington 98903.
- b. The purpose of this public hearing is to receive public comments regarding the Ahtanum Valley Wastewater Project and the evaluation of potential wastewater service solutions for the Wiley City and surrounding Ahtanum Valley community.
- c. The District is evaluating wastewater service alternatives through the development of an Engineering Report, including a General Sewer Plan and Facility Plan. The planning process will evaluate potential wastewater collection, conveyance, treatment, discharge, and reuse options, with consideration given to public health, water quality, environmental impacts, feasibility, and long-term costs.
- d. The hearing will provide an opportunity for interested residents, property owners, and other members of the public to share comments,

concerns, questions, and recommendations regarding the project and potential wastewater solutions.

- e. The District anticipates holding a subsequent public hearing on December 22, 2026, at 3:00 p.m., at which the Board of Directors may consider the matter and take formal action, as appropriate. The public is encouraged to participate in the October 27, 2026, hearing and provide comments for the Board's consideration.
 - f. All interested persons are encouraged to attend and participate. Written comments may also be submitted to the Ahtanum Irrigation District at the District office address listed above.
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II. PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA

1. Call to Order

2. Introduction and Purpose of Public Hearing

Overview of the Ahtanum Valley Wastewater Project.

Purpose of the public hearing and opportunity for public input.

3. Project Background and Community Needs

Existing wastewater and septic system conditions in Wiley City and the surrounding Ahtanum Valley.

Public health, groundwater, and water quality considerations.

The need to evaluate long-term wastewater service solutions.

4. Engineering Report and General Sewer and Facility Plan

Overview of the planning process.

Purpose of the Engineering Report, General Sewer Plan, and Facility Plan.

Identification and evaluation of potential wastewater service alternatives.

5. Wastewater Alternatives Under Evaluation

Potential alternatives may include, but are not limited to:

Connection to the City of Yakima's existing municipal sewer system, subject to capacity, connection requirements, feasibility, and cost.

Conventional gravity sewer collection systems.

Pumping stations, force mains, and pressure sewer systems.

Septic tank effluent pumping systems.

Local wastewater treatment facilities.

Centralized wastewater collection and controlled discharge to an existing municipal sewer system.

Wastewater discharge, treatment, and potential reuse options, subject to feasibility and regulatory approval.

6. Proposed Project Funding and Budget

Overview of potential funding opportunities.

Discussion of anticipated planning, engineering, and related project costs.

Public questions regarding project funding and financial considerations.

7. Potential Facility Sites and Land Considerations

Discussion of potential site requirements for wastewater facilities, if applicable.

Considerations related to land availability, environmental constraints, and future project needs.

8. Public Comment Period

Comments, questions, and recommendations from residents, property owners, and other interested parties.

Board members may ask clarifying questions.

9. Board Discussion and Clarifying Questions

Discussion of public comments received.

Identification of questions, concerns, or additional information for consideration during the planning process.

10. Next Steps and Upcoming Public Hearing

Continued evaluation of wastewater service alternatives.

Anticipated next public hearing on December 22, 2026, at 3:00 p.m., at which the Board of Directors may consider the matter and take formal action, as appropriate.

11. Adjournment

III. NEWSPAPER PUBLICATION RECORD

The Notice of Public Hearing was published in the Yakima Herald-Republic on the following dates: October 15, 2026, October 17, 2026, and October 22, 2026.

Copies of the published notices should be retained with the District's official hearing records.