SVWID 2027 Water Right Lease Program –
WATER REQUEST FORM

To apply to lease water from the SVWID's 2027 Water Right Lease Program, please completely fill out and sign the form below. **The deadline to apply is December 31, 2026.** Please review the Terms and Conditions and the Application Submittal Instructions. Incomplete applications will not be accepted**. All new applicants must contact the SVWID prior to filling out and submitting the form to verify eligibility. Contact us at 425-549-0316 or info@svwid.com.**

SECTION 1 – APPLICANT/BUYER INFORMATION	
Name	Phone Number
Street Address	Secondary Phone Number (if any)
City, State, Zip	Email
Do you own the land on which you wish to irrigate? ☐Yes, ☐No If no, please provide landowner name(s) and contact details:	

SECTION 2 – DESIRED WATER USE	
Total number of years (1-5) you wish to lease water for irrigation *(first time buyers only eligible for a 1-year lease):*	_____years
Total number of acres you wish to irrigate with leased water:	_____acres
County Parcel # (s) where these acres are located:	Parcel(s)_____
Source of water you wish to irrigate from in 2027:	☐ Surface water (Snoqualmie River) ☐ Groundwater Well
How many acre-feet of water do you request to lease from the SVWID for irrigation?	_____acre feet
Please attach a map to indicate the location of desired irrigated acres and the location of your point of diversion (for surface waters) or location of your well.	

SECTION 3 – AGREEMENT
I have read and agree to the Terms and Conditions of the SVWID 2027 Water Right Lease Program included with this Water Request Form. I understand that I am committing to paying for the water specified above at a price of $125/ acre foot upon approval from the SVWID and DOE. I realize that this agreement is binding, and that securing more water than I need could jeopardize the opportunity for other SVWID members to get the water they need, and that I am obligated to enter into, and pay the Lease Agreement.

X_____

BUYER SIGNATURE DATE

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Eligibility

Water lessees ("Buyers") must be a member, or tenant of a member, in good standing with the Snoqualmie Valley Watershed Improvement District (SVWID). **Buyers must submit a complete Water Request Form between November 15 – December 31, 2026.** Buyers must be willing and able to access and use groundwater or surface waters of the Snoqualmie River water for irrigation.

Fees

2027 Water Price – the cost of water is $125/acre-foot per year for new and renewing Buyers. This payment is due October 31, 2027.

New Buyers – must pay for the cost of the water at the 2027 water price in addition to a separate one-time $300 DOE processing and administrative fee per application per site. The $300 fee is due with the submission of this Water Request Form, due no later than December 31, 2026.

Renewing Buyers - must pay for the cost of the water at the 2027 water price in addition to a separate $50 DOE processing fee per application per site. The $50 fee is due with this Water Request Form, no later than December 31, 2026.

Payment

SVWID will invoice Buyer for the annual water payment at the beginning of irrigation season. Buyer agrees to make the annual payment for the leased water by October 31 2027. Payment options include one of the following options:

- Check – payable to the Snoqualmie Valley Watershed Improvement District.
- Online payment – there will be an added 3rd party convenience fee.
- Included in Buyer's annual SVWID assessment – there will be an additional 10% convenience fee.

Buyers who do not own the land they wish to irrigate must obtain the signature of the landowner(s) to process the application to DOE.

Please Initial_____

Lease Term

All Buyers must specify on the Water Request Form how many years (1-5) they wish to lease water. New Buyers are only eligible for a one-year lease term. Renewing Buyers are eligible for 1-5 years, but the length of requested lease term cannot be guaranteed. The length of the lease will be binding and carry a penalty for early termination.

Notification of Approval

SVWID will notify all Buyers on or before the February 2027 SVWID Board meeting as to whether the SVWID is able to satisfy Buyer requests for water.

Contract and Lease

Successful Buyers will be required to cooperate with the SVWID to provide necessary information to process water right transfers to the land they wish to irrigate. Completing the Water Request Form with accompanying maps, is typically adequate. Buyers are required to execute a Lease Agreement with SVWID after DOE approval of water transfer application. The Lease Agreement will also include terms

pertaining to the irrigation screen and meter that will be leased to Buyers at no cost to meet current irrigation equipment Best Management Practices.

Required Legal Notice

If so required by DOE, the SVWID will submit the legal notice for publication after DOE approves the complete application. DOE approval of a complete application is expected on or around March 31, 2027.

Irrigation Equipment Best Management Practices

Buyers using surface waters (i.e., Snoqualmie River) are required to use an approved irrigation screen and meter to follow current irrigation equipment Best Management Practices. The SVWID will provide the irrigation screen and meter at no cost. All other components of the irrigation system (e.g., pump, suction hose, etc.) are the responsibility of the Buyer. Buyers using ground water wells are required to use a water meter only. Buyers are required to use and maintain the irrigation screen and meter according to the terms in the Lease Agreement.

The SVWID will coordinate a site visit with Buyers after a Water Request Form is received to assist in identifying the point of withdrawal on surface waters and selecting the right approved irrigation screen and meter based on several factors.

Required Hydraulic Project Approval

The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) requires a Hydraulic Project Approval (HPA) for any irrigator wishing to use surface waters (i.e., Snoqualmie River) for irrigation. The HPA requires the irrigator to follow Best Management Practices described above. The SVWID will assist Buyers with securing an HPA by filling out and submitting the application at no cost. Buyers MUST have an approved HPA before they can begin to irrigate.

Buyers are required to provide a signed "Consent of Property Owner Agreement" to the SVWID to include with the HPA application. Buyers who do not own the land they wish to irrigate must obtain the signature of the landowner(s).

Meter Reading and Reporting

DOE requires Buyers to install meters that display the instantaneous rate of water use (gallons per minute) when irrigating as well as the total water use over time. Meters are provided to Buyers by the SVWID as part of the current irrigation equipment Best Management Practices.

Buyers are required to take a photo of the face of the meter and the meter serial number at the beginning of the irrigation season and send to the SVWID to report to DOE. Buyers are required to read their meter and record the total water use amount either weekly or bi-weekly, depending on DOE requirements, during the 2027 irrigation season. Buyers are required to report the total annual water use for the 2027 irrigation season to the SVWID by December 31, 2027. The SVWID will submit these amounts to DOE.

SVWID Disclaimer

The lease of a water right from its existing place of use to the Buyer's land is subject to approval by DOE. SVWID will work with the Buyer in good faith to complete a transfer of water rights to the Buyer's land as requested. However, it is possible that a water right transfer will not be approved by DOE as requested.

Contingency
In the event that demand for water from the SVWID exceeds available supply, the SVWID Board of Commissioners will determine how to allocate available supply.

APPLICATION SUBMITTAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. If you are a new applicant, you must contact the SVWID before filling out and submitting your application to determine eligibility. Contact the SVWID at info@svwid.com or 425-549-0316.
2. Completely fill out Sections 1, 2, and 3 of the Water Request Form.
3. Sign and date the bottom of the form.
4. Attach a map of the location of where you plan to irrigate and the location of your point of diversion (for surface waters) or location of your well.
5. Include payment for the required processing fee by check – payable to the Snoqualmie Valley Watershed Improvement District.
6. Submit to the SVWID via:
    a. mail to:
    Snoqualmie Valley Watershed Improvement District
    PO Box 1148
    Carnation, WA 98014
    OR
    b. email to:
    info@svwid.com