

1,200 Miles of Pipe

A deep dive into the making of
Greater Portland's water systems
Public Presentation by Paul Hunt

Thursday, May 8, 2025
1:30 p.m. & 5:30 p.m.
Nixon Development Center
225 Douglass Street, Portland
Light refreshments served
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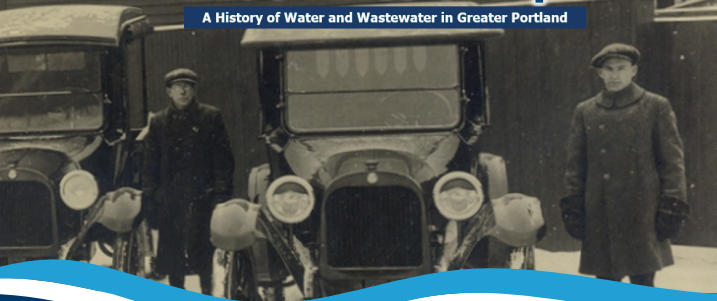
In 1862, visionary citizens recognized a growing need for reliable water and founded the Portland Water Company, and by 1869, Sebago Lake's water flowed into Portland. Early water service was not without challenges or controversy, and in 1908, the Portland Water District was formed to assume the private company. As Greater Portland transformed into an industrial powerhouse, public water service expanded, and wastewater service was added to meet rigorous environmental standards and public demand.

Chance to Win

"Drink It In, How
Sebago Lake
Became Portland's
Greatest Asset"
by Barbara J. Brewer
(a former PWD employee and
historian)

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A History of Water and Wastewater in Greater Portland



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Tour the Sebago Lake Water Treatment Facility

and see firsthand how your drinking water is treated and tested, ensuring every drop is pure and safe.

Wednesday, May 7, 2025

2:30 p.m. & 4:30 p.m.

**Sebago Lake Water
Treatment Facility**

2 White Rock Road, Standish

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Tour the largest water treatment facility in the state—the Sebago Lake Water Treatment Facility—where water is produced for 1/6 of Maine’s population. At Portland Water District, we’re not just treating water, we’re perfecting it. Every day, using a combination of ozone, ultraviolet light, and chloramines in disinfection, we treat, test, and deliver 22 million gallons of clean, fresh, drinking water to consumers.

During your tour, you’ll also get a behind-the-scenes look at our laboratory, where our scientists explain how they test and ensure the quality of your water. This is an excellent opportunity to discover how our innovative processes keep your water crystal clear and healthy.



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