

Sustainable Langley Resource Guide

1. Available services

- a. Sustainable water system
 - i. Where water comes from and ends up
<http://www.langleywa.org/documents/h20conservationtipsforhome.pdf>
- b. Solid Waste
 - i. Yard waste
 - ii. Composting

Wastewater Treatment – Check out the city website for these resources:

- <http://www.langleywa.org/resource-conservation.html>
- Langley Wastewater Treatment Facility
Water Conservation
 - Free conservation kit for residents with Langley water accounts
Yard Waste and Compost
 - Yard Waste coupons can be purchased at City Hall, Mon - Thurs from 9 AM - 5 PM
 - Yard Waste Dumping Guide
 - Yard Waste Receiving and Composting

2. Conserve Water

Saving water saves energy. The City's single largest electric expense is to pump and treat the water we use every day.

Free Water Conservation Kit from City of Langley

Water Conservation Links

Saving Water Partnership

<http://www.savingwater.org/>

Water Conservation – Wash Dept of Ecology

<http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wr/ws/wtrcnsv.html>

3. Prevent Contamination (Water Quality)

Whatever goes on your yard can end up in Langley's water system. How can you protect the water you drink?

1. Check out this Island County resource on how you can protect our waters:
 - Our Islands, Our Water, Our Future

2. See the adopted City plan to protect our wells on the city website.
 - City of Langley Wellhead Protection Plan
 - Wellhead Protection Area Map
3. Consider the use of these other water quality protection measures.
 - Utilize NATURAL YARD CARE - Call the Garden Hotline at (206) 633-0224 or see the following brochures from the Saving Water Partnership:
 - Natural Lawn Care
 - Smart Watering
 - Growing Healthy Soil
 - Choosing the Right Plants
 - The Plant List
 - Natural Pest & Weed Control
 - Gather your household toxic materials and take them to:

Island County Solid Waste, Bayview Transfer Station
14566 SR 525, (360) 321-4505
Mon, Wed, Sat & Sun 9:30 am – 5:00 pm

Water Quality Links

Puget Sound Starts Here – Water Quality
<http://www.pugetsoundstartshere.org/>

Washington Shore Stewards
<http://www.shorestewards.org/>

Pacific Northwest Regional Water Program
http://www.pnwwaterweb.com/WQFlyers_PNW149.pdf

Washington Water Research Center
<http://www.swwrc.wsu.edu/links.asp>

Whidbey Watersheds
<http://www.whidbeywatersheds.com/index.html>

Washington Water – Dept of Ecology
http://www.ecy.wa.gov/washington_waters/index.html

4. Energy Conservation

The average home in Langley pays \$1,200 per year for electricity, contributing about 6 tons of carbon dioxide to the atmosphere. Through efficiency, green power, or local generation, you can help be a part of lowering our energy costs and our carbon footprint! Click here for the Home Energy Savings Guide.

To help you understand where your energy dollars go, you can also install a Power Cost Monitor. It reads your electric meter and displays what you are paying for electricity in real time. To borrow a monitor, sign up at the Langley Library or email pubwks@langleywa.org

Energy Links

Energy Tips saving money, rebates,

<http://www.pse.com/solutions/foryourhome/Pages/TopTenWinterTips.aspx>

Green Power from PSE – New Link change on website

<http://www.pse.com/energyEnvironment/renewableenergy4/pages/GreenPowerProgram.aspx?tab=2&chapter=1>

5. Shop Locally

Local Food Options

Local Farmers/Gardeners

Community Supported Agriculture (CSAs)
<http://www.island.wsu.edu/4h/data/csa.html>

Bayview Farmers Market
<http://www.bayviewfarmersmarket.com/>

http://www.island.wsu.edu/ag/WCFBRO_08.pdf

Goosefoot Grocery Store – That supports non-profit Goosefoot
<http://www.goosefoot.org/>

South Whidbey Tilth – Farmers Market and Garden
<http://www.southwhidbeytilth.org/>

Good Cheer – Foodbank and Thrift Store
<http://www.goodcheer.org/index.html>

Living Green Natural Foods and Apothecary
630 2nd St. Langley, WA 98260 ☐ 360-221-8242

Star Store

<http://www.starstorewhidbey.com/contact.html>

Whidbey Island Grown – Whidbey Island Farmers
<http://www.whidbeyislandgrown.com/profiles/>

Whidbey Green Goods – Fresh Seasonal Produce and Delivery
<http://www.whidbeygreengoods.com/index.html>

Local Renewable Energy Systems
<http://www.whidbeywind.com/>

6. Garbage & Recycle

Garbage in a landfill makes methane, a potent greenhouse gas. The City offers several options for reducing what goes to the landfill:

Bring your yard debris to the Langley Wastewater Treatment Plant at 999 Coles Road. Before you go, you must get a Yard Debris punch card at City Hall. (\$27 for five pick-up truckloads of yard debris)

Recycle used compact fluorescent light bulbs at City Hall. A drop box is set up in the main office.

Electronic waste (televisions, monitors, laptop and tower computers) will be accepted FREE OF CHARGE at the Solid Waste Complex near Coupeville and at Island Recycling in Freeland. Take your recyclables (newspaper, cardboard, mixed paper, glass, and plastic tubs) to the Bayview Drop Box station.

Call2Recycle – Batteries and Cell phones
<http://www.call2recycle.org/>

Recycling Electronics – Computers, Laptops, Monitors, Keyboards
Call 1-800-RECYCLE or visit 1800recycle.wa.gov

7. Calculate & Reduce Your Ecological footprint

Carbon Footprint Calculators
<http://www.nature.org/initiatives/climatechange/calculator/>

<http://www.footprintnetwork.org/en/index.php/GFN/page/calculators/>

Enviro Tips – Washington Dept. of Ecology
http://www.ecy.wa.gov/news/envirotips/tips_main.htm

Climate Change – Wash. Dept of Ecology
<http://www.ecy.wa.gov/climatechange/whatucando.htm>

8. Energy efficiency (green building, insulation, light bulbs etc.)

Green Building Basics – Washington Dept. of Ecology
<http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/swfa/greenbuilding/>

Energy Star Efficient Products
http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?c=products.pr_find_es_products

Puget Sound Energy - Tips Energy saving money and rebates
<http://www.pse.com/solutions/foryourhome/Pages/TopTenWinterTips.aspx>

9. Transportation - Utilize public transportation, car pooling, biking, walking

Almost 1/3 of Langley's Carbon Footprint comes from burning gas for transportation. We can reduce our costs and carbon footprint through car pools, buses, walking, bicycling, and high efficiency vehicles. Check out Island County Transit: <http://www.islandtransit.org/>

10. Community Organizations Dedicated to Sustainable Langley

Transition Whidbey – Community Action groups
<http://www.transitionwhidbey.org/>

Whidbey Ecollaborative
<http://www.whidbeyecollaborative.org/>

Deer Lagoon Grange – Bayview
<http://www.deerlagoongrange.com/>

Whidbey Island Conservation District
<http://whidbeyislandconservationdistrict.farming.officelive.com/default.aspx>

Island County Waste Wise Volunteers
<http://www.wastewise.wsu.edu/>

Washington State Island County Extension Resources
<http://www.island.wsu.edu/index.htm>

11. General Sustainable Communities Links

Sustainable Communities Network

<http://www.sustainable.org/>

Sustainable Washington

<http://www.ofm.wa.gov/sustainability/resources/links.asp>

State of Washington Department of Ecology

<http://www.ecy.wa.gov/ecyhome.html>

Sustainable Cities Institute

http://www.sustainablecitiesproject.org/view/page.basic/report/feature.report/Guide_Creating_Sustain_Plan_Govt

Sustainable City Links

<http://www.cleanerproduction.com/Directory/sectors/SustCities.htm>

More Sustainable City Links

<http://www.sustainable-city.org/sites/index.htm>