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Appendix F

**Model Agreement - Maintenance of Hydrants**

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**Fire Control Facility**  
**Maintenance and Testing Responsibilities**

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**Fire District/Water Utility Agreement**

This Agreement entered into between (Fire Department/District) and (Water Utility) is for the purpose of providing for proper installation, operation, and maintenance of permanent fire protection facilities associated with public water systems and installed in the following described location:

(Fire District Boundary and/or Utility Future Service Area Boundary – Description of reference to attached map)

It is hereby agreed that the tasks itemized below will be carried out in a responsible manner by the assigned party and at the specified frequency.

<u>Task</u>	<u>Responsible Party</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
1. Inspection of new facility*	Both	Time of construction
2. Location of hydrants*	Both	Time of construction
3. Review of installation and type of hydrant, ports, and valves	Fire	Annual
4. Install and check reflectorized location if used	Fire	Annual
5. Hydrant and private fire system testing		
a. Flow and pressure testing of hydrant	Both	Annual
b. Operation of tee valve	Utility	Annual
c. Private/building fire system (wet & dry)	Fire	Annual
6. Clearing vegetation, brush for visibility/snow	Fire	Annual
7. Mechanical repair and maintenance (except private property)	Utility	As needed
8. Submit annual report regarding fault hydrants, flow, tests, etc.	Both	As needed
9. Painting and coding hydrants	Fire	As needed

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| 10. Number and color code of hydrants   | Both | Time of construction |
| 11. Water utility's personnel to be notified when hydrants are used for fire fighting training, or testing purposes | Fire | As needed            |
| 12. Communications (emergency, alert system, etc.)  | Both | As needed            |
| 13. Backflow prevention/hydrant use/mutual aid  | Both | As needed            |
| 14. Estimate volume and time of use of hydrants and provide monthly report to utility                               | Fire | Monthly              |

It is agreed that the Utility shall notify the Fire Department/District, in advance, before any changes are made to hydrant installation or relocation and the Fire Department/District shall notify the Utility in advance of any testing of fire hydrants.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Fire Chief or Commissioner

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Water Utility

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Receipt Acknowledged By:

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Skagit County Fire Marshal  
(applicable only to unincorporated areas)

*\* In unincorporated areas, the responsible fire official is the County Fire Marshal.*

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