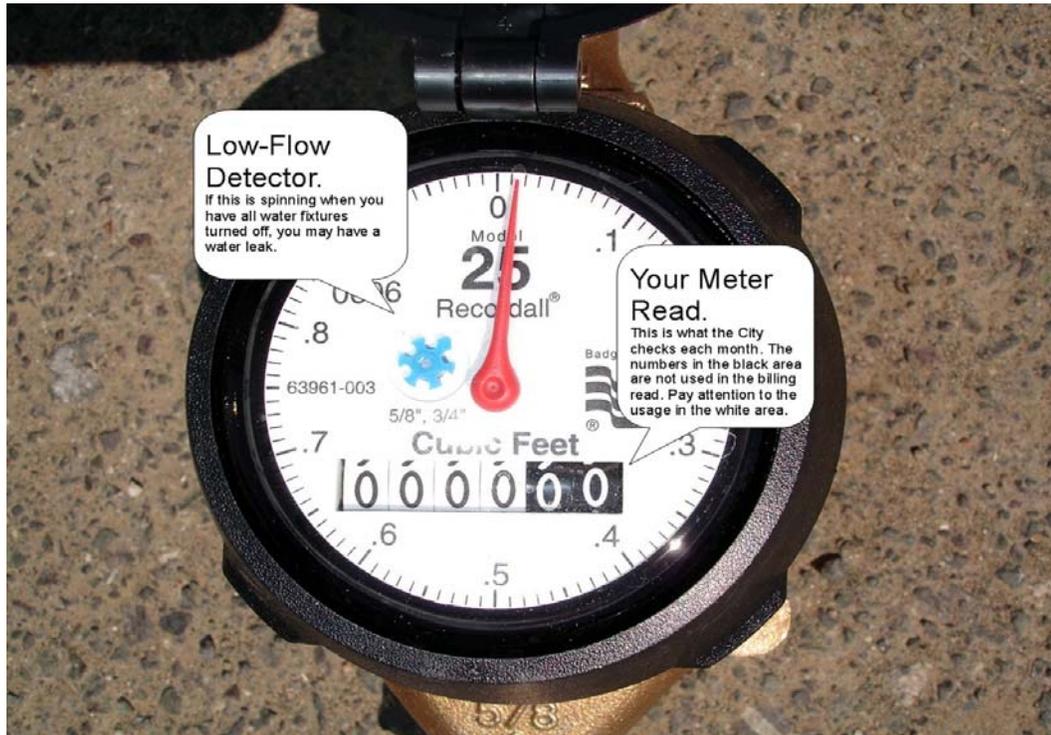


## Understanding Your Water Meter



The picture above is a typical meter used throughout the City of Lakeport.

1. Find the location of your water meter. The water meter is usually found in the sidewalk (or where a sidewalk would be), in a box, under a metal lid. If you are having trouble finding the meter box, find your home on the map book pages located under the “Underground Utility Construction and Maintenance” division of this website.
2. You may have to dig out your meter box to get a reading; please watch for spiders.
3. Write down your meter read with date and time.
4. You can take reading before and after a process to find out how much water was used. For example: If you irrigate on a timer and would like to know how much water was used. Doing this is helpful in understanding where the water goes.
5. The City does not read the numbers in the shaded area for billing purposes. The difference in the un-shaded area is what will show on your bill as “Usage”.
6. The meter reads in Cubic Feet of water. If you would like to convert the read into gallons you have to multiply the read with 748. The above read shows a usage of 26 units, so if we multiply that number with 748 we find that 19,448 gallons of water were used during this billing cycle.

FROM		TO		PERMITS NO. 0	
06/09/2006		07/08/2006		RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED	
CODE	CURR READ	PREV READ	USAGE	AMOUNT	
WA	2228 R	2202	26.00	68.84	
SW				31.61	
TR				18.39	