



Lessons Learned from 50 Years of Providing Septic and Plumbing Services

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What are we here to talk about?



- Show the inner
 workings of a Fecal
 Sludge Management
 company in the United
 States
- Keys to it's success and growth
- How we services our customer

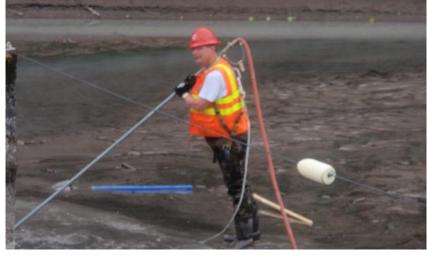


Who is JR?









History (Where did we come from?)

- Founded in 1967 as Cascade Septic Service
- Install septic systems, side sewers, and other underground utilities
- 1982 entered
 portable toilet and
 septic service business









Northwest Cascade







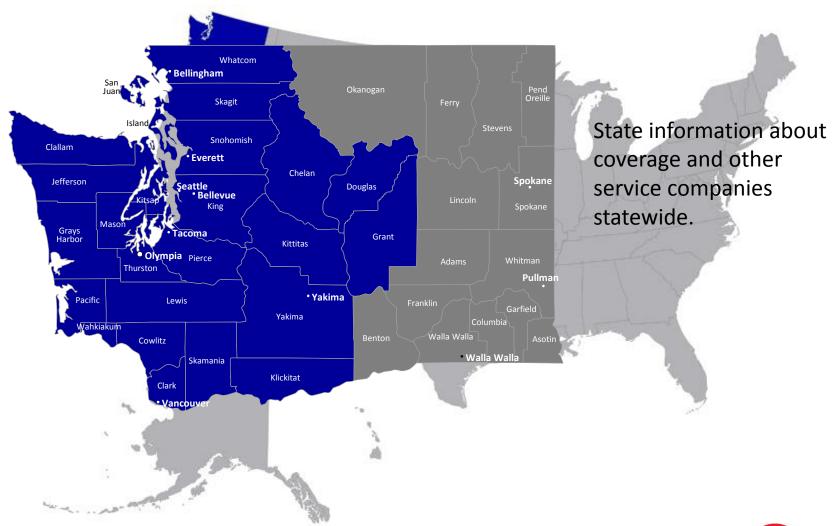
Who are We Now



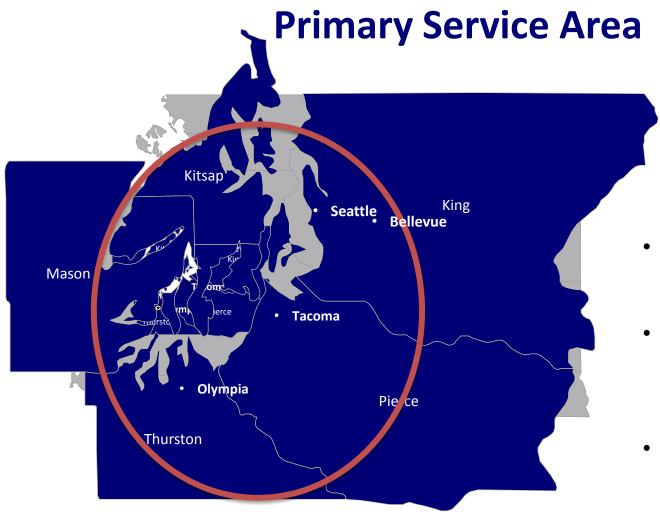
- A division of Northwest Cascade, Inc.
- Serves 27,500
 households and
 businesses annually.
- Expanded services and diversified with other divisions of Northwest Cascade



Core Service Area



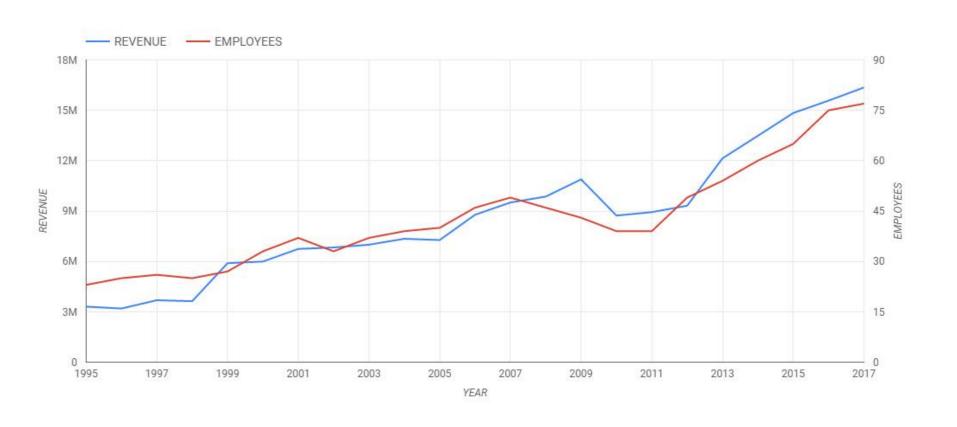




- Approximately 2.8 million people
- Median household income approximately 62,000 USD per year.
- Poverty rate 12.4%



FloHawks Financial Growth

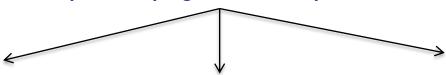




Provide complete services



Septic Pumping / Licensed Operators



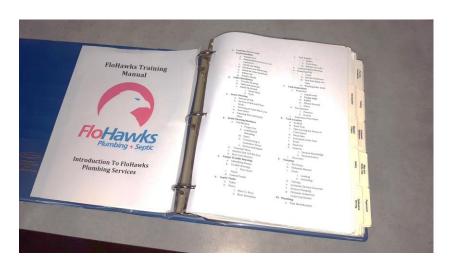






Drain Cleaning Plumbing Electrical

Training









Marketing - Outdoor







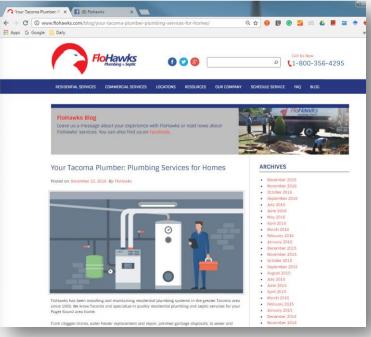
Marketing – Community/Industry Events

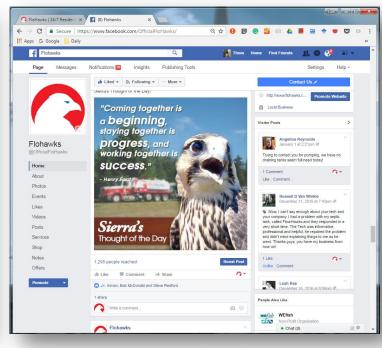




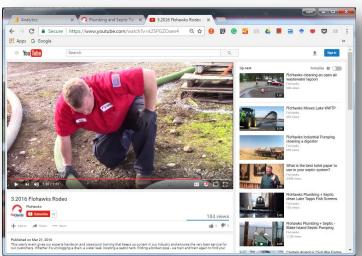
Marketing – Online

Call If You're Having a Crappy Day.





Blog Articles



Social Media

Online Videos





Online Ads

Why a customer calls

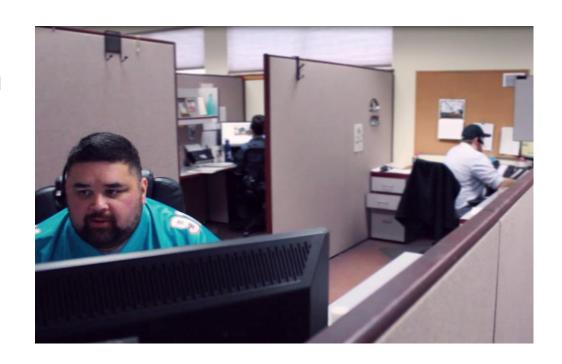


- Septic/Plumbing Problem
- Requirement to fulfill with government or regulatory agency
- Preventative Maintenance



Efficient Operations—Customer Service

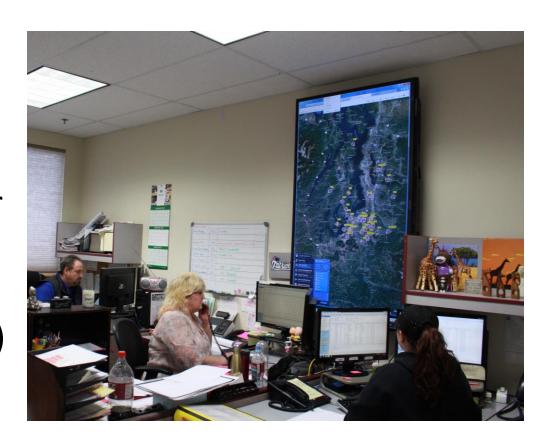
- Representatives are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (even holidays).
- A live person will always answer the phone.
- Online forms are immediately answered





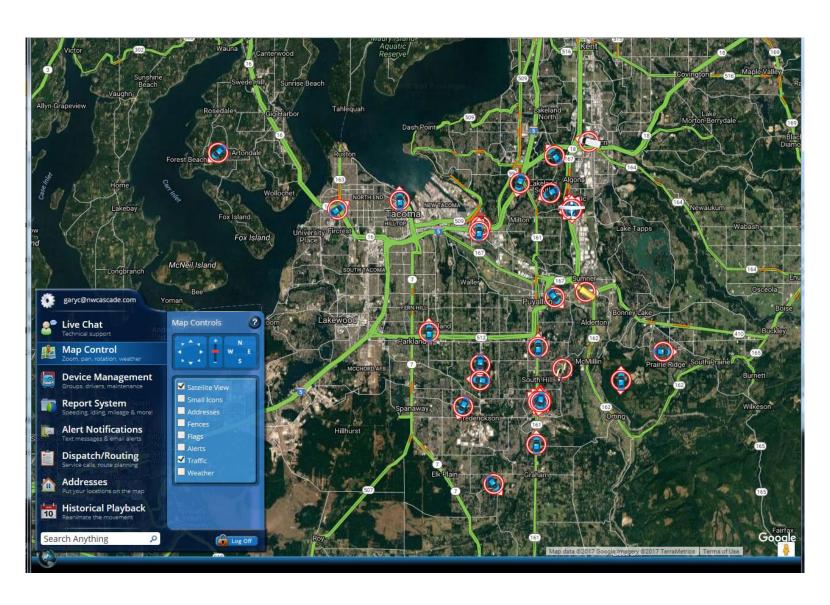
Efficient Operations—Dispatch

- Assigns technician based on:
 - Job location
 - Skill-set needed for the job (Pumping/Drain Cleaning/Electrical)
- Places job in the "Job Que"



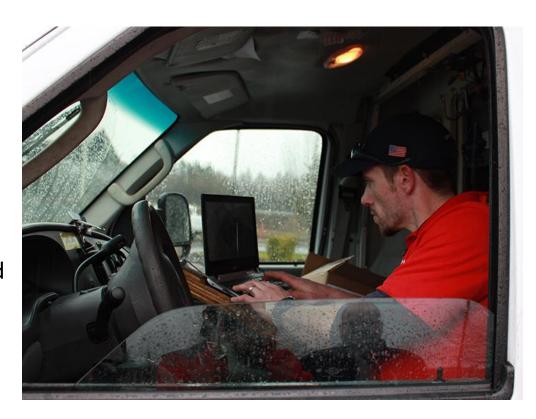


Efficient Operations—Dispatch



Efficient Operations—Technician

- Technician receives job either electronically (to their laptop) or via radio
 - Morning appointments are pre-loaded on their laptops every night
 - so they know first thing where to go and what equipment they will need
 - Foremen and Leads arrive at the Yards early to perform "pre-trips"





Efficient Operations—Technician



Technician arrives, assesses the situation, informs the customer, and gives a more accurate quote



Performs the work and fixes the problem



Once completed they collect payment (credit card, check, cash, or billed).



Disposal / Dump Location

- Private and Public dump facilities
- Location, Cost,
 Availability are all factors
- We own our own dump location









- MOD less than 1.0
- 12-18 hours of continuing education yearly,
- Commercial driver's license,
- CPR and First Aid
- Confined space entry training



Keys to Success



- Training
- Safety
- Service EVERY customer –
 EVERYTIME
- Services Diversify
- Belief in providing
 Personal Service



Questions or Comments?



