

PROPOSED WATER AND WASTEWATER RATES

Typical Residential Combined Water and Sewer Bill Per Month*

	Water	Sewer	Total
Current	\$66.25	\$52.59	\$118.84
FY 24/25	\$72.30	\$59.58	\$131.88
FY 25/26	\$79.17	\$65.24	\$144.41
FY 26/27	\$86.69	\$71.44	\$158.13
FY 27/28	\$94.89	\$78.22	\$173.12
FY 28/29	\$103.91	\$85.66	\$189.56

*Typical residential customer has a 3/4" meter, uses 6 CCF (4,488 gallons) and has 3 sewer units

Proposed Water Rates (Effective: July 1st)

Water customers are either charged a metered rate (base rate + consumption) or a non-metered flat rate

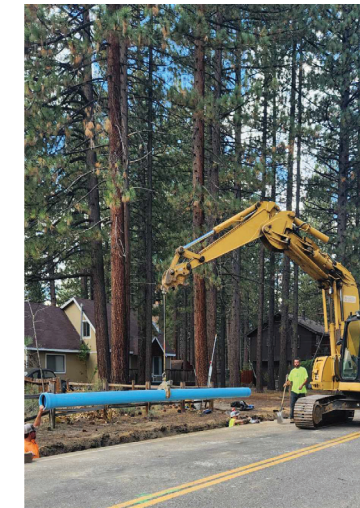
	Current	FY 24/25	FY 25/26	FY 26/27	FY 27/28	FY 28/29
Base Rate (\$/Month)						
3/4" Meter	\$54.97	\$60.12	\$65.83	\$72.08	\$78.93	\$86.43
1" Meter	\$91.75	\$100.34	\$109.87	\$120.31	\$131.74	\$144.25
1 1/2" Meter	\$183.00	\$200.13	\$219.14	\$239.96	\$262.76	\$287.72
2" Meter	\$292.89	\$320.31	\$350.74	\$384.06	\$420.54	\$460.49
3" Meter	\$549.55	\$600.99	\$658.09	\$720.61	\$789.06	\$864.02
4" Meter	\$916.06	\$1,001.81	\$1,096.98	\$1,201.20	\$1,315.31	\$1,440.27
6" Meter	\$1,831.51	\$2,002.96	\$2,193.24	\$2,401.59	\$2,629.75	\$2,879.57
8" Meter	\$2,930.56	\$3,204.89	\$3,509.35	\$3,842.74	\$4,207.80	\$4,607.54
10" Meter	\$4,213.11	\$4,607.50	\$5,045.21	\$5,524.50	\$6,049.33	\$6,624.02
Consumption Rate (\$/CCF**)						
Tier 1 Residential (0-15 CCF)	\$1.88	\$2.03	\$2.22	\$2.43	\$2.66	\$2.91
Tier 2 Residential (Above 15 CCF)	\$2.87	\$3.02	\$3.31	\$3.63	\$3.97	\$4.35
Multi-Family	\$1.87	\$2.16	\$2.37	\$2.59	\$2.84	\$3.11
Commerical	\$1.94	\$2.20	\$2.41	\$2.63	\$2.88	\$3.16
Non-Metered Rate (\$/Month)						
Single Family	\$69.70	\$75.98	\$83.20	\$91.11	\$99.76	\$109.24
Duplex	\$115.74	\$126.17	\$138.15	\$151.29	\$165.66	\$181.39
Triplex	\$157.24	\$171.41	\$187.69	\$205.54	\$225.05	\$246.43
Fourplex	\$203.43	\$221.76	\$242.83	\$265.92	\$291.16	\$318.83
Each Additional Unit	\$34.09	\$37.16	\$40.69	\$44.56	\$48.79	\$53.43
Business 3/4"	\$100.92	\$110.01	\$120.46	\$131.92	\$144.44	\$158.17
Business 1"	\$154.24	\$168.14	\$184.11	\$201.62	\$220.76	\$241.73

**100 Cubic Feet (CCF) = 748 Gallons

Proposed Sewer Rates (Effective: July 1st)

	Current	FY 24/25	FY 25/26	FY 26/27	FY 27/28	FY 28/29
Sewer Rate (\$/Billing Unit/Month)						
Single Family***	\$17.53	\$19.86	\$21.75	\$23.81	\$26.07	\$28.55
Multi-Family	\$16.93	\$19.20	\$21.03	\$23.02	\$25.21	\$27.61
Motel/Hotel/ Timeshare	\$16.64	\$18.89	\$20.69	\$22.65	\$24.80	\$27.16
Trailer/Mobile Home Park/Campground	\$16.62	\$18.89	\$20.69	\$22.65	\$24.80	\$27.16
Non-Residential	\$17.53	\$19.86	\$21.75	\$23.81	\$26.07	\$28.55

***Typical single family residence has 3 sewer units



Repairing wastewater clarifier; installing a new water main; Tahoe Keys wastewater pump station upgrade

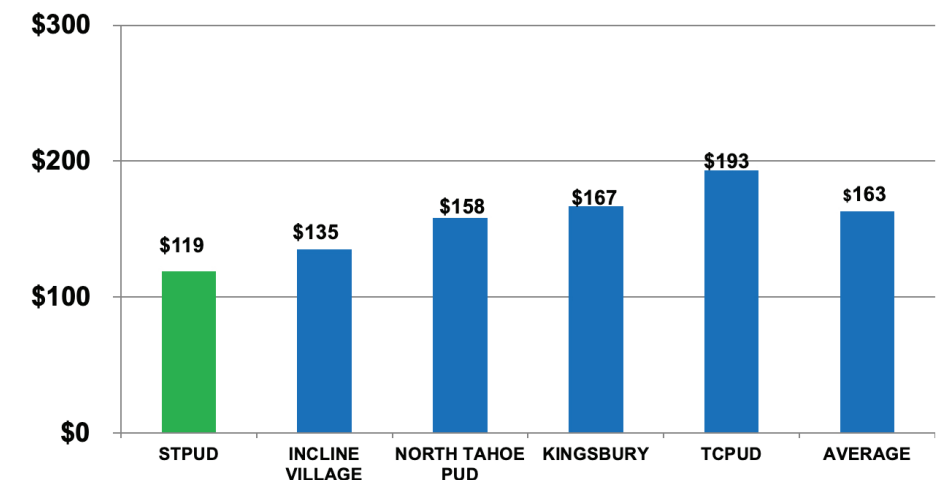
HOW RATES ARE DEVELOPED

The District worked with a financial consultant to develop a 5 year financial plan. The plan shows a significant shortfall between existing revenues and projected capital costs. The proposed rates close that gap and provide sufficient funds to maintain water, wastewater, and recycled water facilities. The proposed rates in this notice are the maximum that can be adopted. The Board of Directors can choose to adopt a lesser increase or no increase during the May 16, 2024 Public Hearing and at future annual Rate Hearings. If approved, the rate change will take effect on July 1, 2024.

HOW DO WE KEEP COSTS AS LOW AS POSSIBLE

The District is committed to keeping costs as low as possible by actively pursuing grant funds. Over the last 10 years, the District has received more than \$18 million in grants and \$64 million in subsidized low-interest loans. By successfully securing grant funding and operating efficiently, the District continues to have the lowest water and sewer rates in the Tahoe region, even with the proposed rate increases.

STPUD Has Lowest Combined Monthly Water & Sewer Rates in Tahoe Basin



CUSTOMER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The District offers a 25% discount assistance program for qualifying low-income residential customers.

To learn more, visit: stpud.us/customers/billpay/financial-assistance.



(Clockwise) Leaking water main; New and upsized water main; New sewer pump station holding tank; New protective water tank coating



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED WATER AND WASTEWATER RATES

Proposition 218 Notice

This notice provides information on proposed changes to South Tahoe Public Utility District (District) water and wastewater rates. Attend a Public Meeting on April 25, 2024 at 6 p.m. or the Public Hearing on May 16, 2024 at 2 p.m. to learn more and provide input.



WHY RATE INCREASES ARE NECESSARY

The District's complex water, wastewater, and recycled water systems require ongoing maintenance, replacement, and improvements. Current financial resources are not adequate to pay for needed facility improvements. Proposed rate increases would fund:

1. Community-Wide Fire Flow

While the District has made significant progress, much remains to be done to provide adequate fire flow throughout the entire service area. In the next 5 years, the District intends to install or replace 180 fire hydrants and upsize waterlines in Bijou, Wildwood, Tahoe Mountain, Tahoe Sierra, Stateline, and Meyers neighborhoods.

2. Water System Upgrades

Most of the District's water system was built in the early 1960s and is a collection of undersized, aging and sometimes leaking pipes. In the next 5 years, the District plans to replace more than 60,000 linear feet of waterlines to improve fire flow and maintain good water quality. The District also plans to assess and determine the needs of the 12 wells that provide delicious Tahoe tap.

3. Wastewater System Upgrades

Like the water system, most of the sewer collection and treatment system was built in the 1960s. In the next 5 years, the District plans to rehabilitate and replace 9 sewer pump stations, 30,000 linear feet of sewer mains, and 3 facilities at the treatment plant.

To learn more and see a full list of proposed projects, visit stpubd.us/customers/improvements

Public Meeting

Thur. April 25, 2024 - 6 p.m.
District Board Room
1275 Meadow Crest Drive
South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150

Learn more and provide input on future capital projects and proposed rate increases.

Public Hearing on Proposed Rates

Thur. May 16, 2024 - 2 p.m.
District Board Room
1275 Meadow Crest Drive
South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150

Attend and participate as the Board of Directors considers and votes on proposed rate increases.

HOW TO COMMENT OR PROTEST PROPOSED RATES



You may comment or ask questions at any time by contacting the District at 530-544-6474 or info@stpubd.us, attending the Public Meeting on Thursday, April 25, 2024 at 6 p.m., or participating in the Thursday, May 16, 2024 Public Hearing at 2 p.m. For more info, visit stpubd.us/customers/improvements.

The Board of Directors will consider all protests against the proposed water and wastewater rate changes. If a majority of the affected property owners file protests, the proposed rate changes will not be imposed. Protests must be submitted in writing and be received, not postmarked, prior to the close of the Public Hearing on Thursday, May 16, 2024. Faxed and emailed protests cannot be accepted according to Proposition 218 regulations.

You may protest the rate change if you are the property owner or a person who is legally responsible to pay the rates. Individual protests must be submitted per property and include the following information: (i) indicate that it is a protest against the water and/or wastewater rate increase, (ii) identify the address of the property, (iii) indicate the name of the person submitting the protest, and (iv) be signed and dated. Only one protest per property will be accepted.

To: Customer Service Manager

1275 Meadow Crest Drive, South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150

Property Owner or Bill Payer Name _____

Property Address _____

I Oppose this Proposed Rate Increase: Water Sewer

Signed _____ Date _____