

CENTRAL WELD COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

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GREELEY, CO 80631

RATE MESSAGE

The CWCWD Board of Directors takes many things into consideration when deciding if rates should be raised. The decision to raise these rates was based on rising prices nationwide as well as projected growth and projects needed within the water district to meet rising needs. This increase in rates allows us at CWCWD to plan for the future and ensure clean and reliable water for generations to come.

Customer bills include a base charge plus a water usage charge that is a tiered rate per 1,000 gallons that increases with higher water usage. Customer rates cover operational costs and capital projects needed for the operation of the District's distribution system.

It is important to remember, as a consumer, that water is a precious commodity. Conservation and appropriate use should be at the forefront of everyone's mind. We are working diligently to keep the water source the essential supply for our community's health and safety. The rate structure is designed to encourage conservation and to retrain excessive usage. We work on securing water rights, extensive water storage projects, and the costs to maintain and operate reliable water infrastructure that can cause financial pressure on the District to provide continued service to customers and municipalities. Use in the lowest tier will see a minimal increase and we appreciate the efforts of protecting the essential indoor use of water.

WHY THE RATE INCREASE

We evaluate our rates by considering operational costs, energy costs, infrastructural repairs and capital construction costs. We are, unfortunately, in a time of great cost surges. We have to continue to upgrade our system with advanced telemetry systems, GIS Mapping, water storage and delivery designed to better meet the peak demands of the system and stricter State and Federal guidelines for water quality.

Pursuant to Section §32-1-1001(2)(a), C.R.S., A Public Hearing was held July 21, 2022 regarding rate increases for the Surcharge Rate, Tap Fee Rate, and Supplemental Service Rates, etc. for the Monthly Detailed Rate Schedule and Policies for all customers and municipalities subject to District Rules and Regulations. The District reserves the right at any time to change the rates and fees of the District as allowed by law through a public rate hearing. Rate increase notifications were posted on the District's website, in the Tribune newspaper, and included in the annual distribution of the CCR report.

TAP EQUIVALENT + SURCHARGES

Rates for (1) Tap Equivalent based on Annual Allocation \$19.27 per month base rate.

The 5/8" current base rate of \$19.27 will not increase as of November 2022.

Tiered costs for water per 1,000 gallons beyond the base rate per month are as follows:

Tier One - \$2.25/TH (0 gallons - 4,000 gallons)

Tier Two - \$2.50/TH (5,000 gallons - 19,000 gallons)

Tier Three - \$3.00/TH (20,000 gallons - 150,000 +)

Annual Allocations based on water rights per tap size.

Meter Size	5/8" Tap Equivalent	Study Fee	Capital Investment Fee Eff. 11/1/22	Installation Fee	C.B.T Raw Water Fee (NCWCD) Proposed	Eff. 11/1/22 Market Value = \$65,000 per Acre Foot	Annual Allotment (Metered Gallons) Eff. 2/1/2020
Quarter	0.25	\$50	\$12,000	\$2,000	Market Value	\$30,250	57,000
Budget	0.5	\$50	\$12,000	\$2,000	Market Value	\$46,500	114,000
5/8"	1	\$50	\$12,000	\$2,000	Market Value	\$79,000	228,000
3/4"	1.5	\$75	\$18,000	\$3,000	Market Value	\$118,500	342,000
1"	2.5	\$125	\$30,000	\$5,000	Market Value	\$197,500	570,000
1 1/2"	5	\$250	\$60,000	\$10,000	Market Value	\$395,000	1,140,000
2"	8	\$400	\$96,000	\$16,000	Market Value	\$632,000	1,824,000
3"	15	\$750	\$180,000	\$30,000	Market Value	\$1,185,000	3,420,000
4"	25	\$1,250	\$300,000	\$50,000	Market Value	\$1,975,000	5,700,000
6"	50	\$2,500	\$600,000	\$100,000	Market Value	\$3,950,000	11,400,000
8"	80	\$4,000	\$960,000	\$160,000	Market Value	\$6,320,000	18,240,000

ADMINISTRATIVE

Late Fees, Transfer Fees, Study Fees, Can Serve and Add Serve Letter Fees, Closing Transfer Fees, Termination Fees, Multiple Unit Charge Fees, Bulk Hydrant Usage Fees, and After Hours Non-Emergency Fees, etc. have all increased effective August 1, 2022.

A COMPLETE LIST CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE AT: WWW.CWCWD.COM

SURCHARGES

The surcharge Rate increase per Tap Size was approved at the July 21, 2022 rate hearing to be effective November 1, 2022.

Quarter Tap Surcharge	\$27.00/TH overage
Budget Tap Surcharge	\$15.00/TH overage
All other Tap Surcharges	\$8.00/TH overage

LOWERING YOUR BILL

The District always looks for ways to help consumers look at their usage and determine options that may be best for them. If large users wish to lower their monthly charges they can purchase additional tap equivalents and may need onsite storage.

Effective November 1st, customers will have the option of Budget Billing.

Please contact the office to determine your monthly budget billing amount.

No. 01 – CHECK FOR LEAKS



Check for leaks, be proactive. Repairs can save hundreds if not thousands of gallons per month. Customers can track their usage on EyeOnWater. Currently, Central Weld has almost 800 customers transitioned to the BEACON system. Please contact the office to verify you have a BEACON to track your usage.

No. 02 – REDUCE OUTDOOR LANDSCAPING



Reduce outdoor landscaping and irrigation. Think of a garden in a box, xeriscaping and succulents. Leave your lawn dormant until at least June and still have a healthy lawn.

No. 03 – WATER TWICE A WEEK



Water twice a week to allow roots to grow deeper; your lawn will last longer. Avoid outdoor irrigation watering between 10am - 6pm. This reduced evaporation.

No. 04 – RAISE YOUR LAWNMOWER BLADES



Raise your lawnmower blades. The taller the grass, the more roots will be shaded and retain moisture.

**IF YOU THINK YOUR USAGE IS HIGHER THAN NORMAL,
PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE IMMEDIATELY.**

Please understand that rate changes are never pleasant and are given enormous consideration by our Board Of Directors who understand the difficulty with other rising costs of the consumer.

“Exceptional quality water delivered with integrity and dependability to farms and families; now and in the future for your tomorrow.”

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www.cwcwd.com