



NORTHWESTERN
THE DISTRICT
WATER & SEWER
12560

2022 APPROVED BUDGET AND RATES

FACTS:

20,000

CUSTOMERS RELY ON
THE DISTRICT FOR
WATER & SEWER
SERVICES

SERVICE AREA:

1043 SQUARE
MILES

IN **5** COUNTIES

14 MUNICIPALITIES
SERVED

REACH US

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DISTRICT BOARD APPROVES MODEST RATE INCREASE FOR 2022

At The District, we plan for the long term, making investments in our water and wastewater systems responsibly and gradually. We develop an annual budget based on the planned capital and operating needs for that year. All of our costs, from capital infrastructure projects to daily operations to emergency work, are paid for solely by rates and fees, not taxes.

Each year, The District reviews the costs of operations, inflation, fuel, materials, and labor in order to establish our rates. Rates must also maintain debt service coverage, maintain bond covenants, and cover the cost of emergency repairs.

For 2022, the board approved a **2.2%** increase in District water rates and **1.8%** increase for District sewer charges. This reflects an increase of only **\$1.76** in District charges per month for 1,000 cubic feet of usage.

"The expected costs of providing water and sewer services reflect higher operating costs due to uncertainty within the supply chain, higher treatment costs from suppliers, increased cost of customer data security, and sewer odor control in some areas." according to District Board Chairman, Mark Sheffer.

Your water and sewer bill is split into two parts: District operations and maintenance charges and treatment provider charges. Treatment provider charges will vary depending on where you live. In 2022, customers of some water and sewer treatment providers will see increases. There is more information on these changes on page 2.

DISTRICT CHARGES	2021	2022	DIFFERENCE
<small>*Per 1,000 cubic feet</small>			
District Water/Month	\$38.49	\$39.35	+ \$.86
District Sewer/Month	<u>\$50.14</u>	<u>\$51.04</u>	+ \$.90
TOTAL/MONTH	\$88.63	\$90.39	\$1.76



5.4 MILLION
GALLONS OF
WATER DELIVERED
DAILY



850,000
GALLONS OF
WASTEWATER TREATED
DAILY

TREATMENT PROVIDER UPDATE

WATER AND SEWER TREATMENT PROVIDER CHARGES

In addition to the cost of maintaining the lines The District uses to deliver clean water or remove and treat wastewater, there is also a charge from your local water or sewer treatment provider. More information on these rates is available at NWWSO.ORG. Below is a summary of treatment provider rate information:

↑ TOLEDO WATER ■ TOLEDO SEWER

Through 2027, rates established by the Toledo Regional Water Commission will impact customers as Toledo water rates are equalized for communities purchasing their water. All customers who receive Toledo water will see an increase for water. There is no increases to your sewer charge if your wastewater is treated by the City of Toledo.

■ OREGON WATER AND SEWER

Customers with water supplied by and wastewater treated by the City of Oregon will not have an increase.

↑ BOWLING GREEN WATER AND SEWER

The City of Bowling Green approved an increase for water and sewer rates for 2022.

↑ NAPOLEON WATER

The City of Napoleon approved a rate increase for water in 2022.

↑ PERRYSBURG WATER AND SEWER

District customers with water provided by the City of Perrysburg and sewer treated by Perrysburg will see an increase in rates in 2022.

■ LUCAS COUNTY SEWER

No additional provider charges are expected at this time.

2022 PROJECTS

The approved \$30 million capital budget includes \$20 million in total water projects and \$10 million invested into our wastewater network across The District's five-county service area.

In 2022, The District will finish building a 1.5-million-gallon water tower in Lake Township. It will serve Walbridge, Rossford, parts of Northwood, and townships in northern Wood County. The District will also construct two new regional water connections, including a new 8-mile waterline from Weston to the Village of McClure, and across the Maumee River to provide water service to Liberty Center in Henry County. The District will also build another 8-mile waterline that will supply water from the Village of North Baltimore to McComb.

Maintaining our wastewater infrastructure is always a priority. Major sewer projects include new pump stations at Ford Road in Perrysburg Township and Willowbend in Middleton Township. A new sanitary sewer system will replace aging septic tanks in Sugar Ridge and there will be continued work upgrading the sewer system in McComb.



Above: A unique view from inside the water storage tank in Lake Township.

\$31 MILLION: THE ESTIMATED COST FOR THE DISTRICT TO PROVIDE YOU SAFE, CLEAN WATER

\$10,649,000

INFRASTRUCTURE
REPAIR & REPLACEMENT

\$7,790,000

PURCHASED WATER
& SEWER TREATMENT



\$7,567,000

PROFESSIONAL STAFF
AND BENEFITS

\$5,544,000

MAINTENANCE & SUPPLIES
PROFESSIONAL & CONTRACTED
SERVICES & UTILITIES.