



NORTHWESTERN
THE DISTRICT
WATER & SEWER



Above: Maintenance crews winterize the McComb wastewater treatment plant. The District continues to make low-cost improvements to the 70 year-old plant. The District hopes to start construction of a new plant this year. For more on this project, see Page 2.

WATERWORKS

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2018 RATES

We mentioned in our December newsletter that we were taking a close look at rates. Based upon inflation, there will be an increase to rates as of January 1, 2018. The average increase is as follows:

The average family of four using 6,000 gallons of water per month will see an additional charge of \$1.50 for District water. The average District charge for sewer will amount to an additional \$2.

It is very important when you look at your bill to note that this increase is **IN ADDITION TO** the charges of the cities that supply your water or sewer treatment.

Remember, your actual increase depends on the specific area you live in within the District's service area.

To learn more, visit **NWWSO.ORG**.

Jerry Greiner, President



Above: In November, The District was presented with the Auditor of State Award with Distinction and the award for Excellence in Financial Reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada for the 2016 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

Responsible for every drop.

CUSTOMER CARE

CHECK YOUR CRAWL SPACE

If you have pipelines in an unheated garage or cold crawl space beneath the house, wrap the water pipes before temperatures plummet. Hardware or building supply stores have good pipe wrapping and materials available.

Seal off access doors, air vents and cracks. Repair broken basement windows. Winter winds whistling through overlooked openings can quickly freeze exposed water pipes. However, don't plug air vents your furnace or water heater needs for good combustion. For more winter pipe saving tips go to

NWWSO.ORG.

REGIONAL WATER

Over the past year, The District has been involved in discussions on forming a regional water authority with the City of Toledo and eight other area water users.

The Wood County Economic Development Commission issued their study regarding alternative sources for water using the City of Bowling Green's water treatment facility.

We are investigating all options and weighing the variables. Our goal in the decision making process is to ensure we can secure a fair, stable long-term rate for our customers.

We will be posting new information on our website **NWWSO.ORG** soon.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

District Board of Trustees Meetings are held the second and fourth Thursday of every month at 7:30 a.m.

Board meetings are open to the public.

Our offices will be closed in observance of the following holidays:

Monday, January 15: Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Monday, February 19, President's Day

Mission

Our goal is to be the premier water and wastewater provider in Northwestern Ohio. We are committed to sound financial management, responsible environmental stewardship, responsive public service, superior customer service, and responsible economic growth. We strive to field a skilled, respectful, and cooperative workforce dedicated to the highest professional and ethical standards; we support them with appropriate training and technology.

CONSTRUCTION CORNER

MILLBURY- SEWER WORK

Through June 2018, lane restrictions are possible in Millbury for sewer work and manhole repairs.

PERRYSBURG TOWNSHIP-THE HAMLET SUBDIVISION

The water line project in the Hamlet is expected to start in the spring.

PERRYSBURG TOWNSHIP- SANITARY SEWER REPAIR

Crews will be repairing sewers throughout Perrysburg Township through the fall of 2018. Intermittent lane restrictions are possible throughout Perrysburg Township during construction.

The following work was approved by the board:

MCCOMB: WATERLINE IMPROVEMENTS

Waterline improvements approved to replace an aged waterline along portions of Todd, Scott, South and High Streets. Construction scheduled to start late winter.

ROSSFORD: WATERLINE RELOCATION

Crews will relocate a waterline near the intersection of Buck and Lime City Roads. Work expected to begin in the spring.

WESTON - WATERLINE PROJECT

Waterline installation along Silver Street in Weston designed to improve fire protection and water service. Work is expected to begin this winter.

For updates on all construction projects, visit:

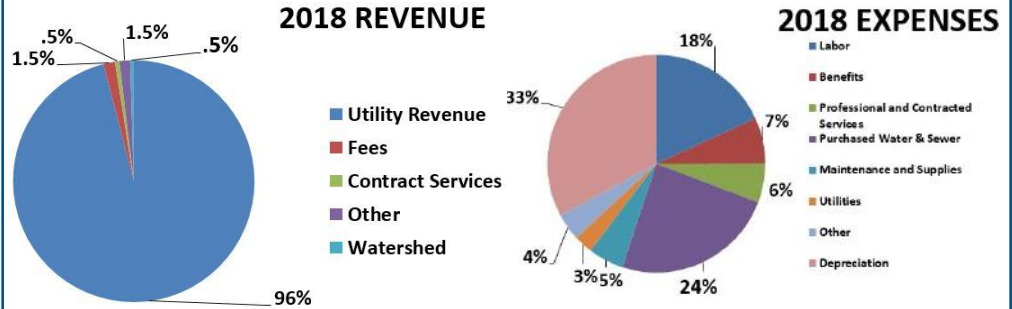
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The above photograph was taken in December along State Route 64/65 near the Waterville Bridge. Crews relocated a waterline to make way for construction of a new roundabout and bridge. Work is now complete, but this spring, The District will begin another waterline relocation project to make room for a roundabout at the intersection of Lime City and Buck Roads.

2018 BUDGET OUTLOOK

Our finance team recently finalized our 2018 operating budget, here is an overview of the year ahead!



MCCOMB WATER & SEWER UPDATE

In 2016, The Village of McComb in Hancock County asked The District to assume responsibility for its water and wastewater systems, following increasing regulations from the Ohio EPA.

In just six months, The District's water quality team was able to assure clean, safe water to the community. The District received a green operator's license without restriction for improvements to the facility. Operators also enhanced the reservoir, to ensure an adequate water supply. The District engineering team made improvements to the media and automated monitoring system. Work at the water plant will include improvements to the pumping station and clear well storage facility.

The District's primary focus in McComb this year will be building a new wastewater plant. This will replace the original plant built in 1943. After reviewing many funding sources to keep costs low, The District has been able to secure grant and loan assistance from the US Department of Agriculture Rural Development program. We hope to have the facility operational in 2019 to bring the wastewater system into compliance with current regulations.

We encourage residents to check NWWSd.org for the latest information.

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President Jerry Greiner's Blog

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