

PAGOSA AREA WATER AND SANITATION DISTRICT  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON WATER SERVICE CHARGE CHANGES  
JANUARY 14, 2021

At a public hearing in September of 2018, the Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District Board of Directors approved changes to the rates for water service customers. The changes will increase the minimum monthly service charge per equivalent unit and increase the volume rate charges by 6% annually through 2023 and will equate to a 33.74% cumulative increase over the 5 year period.

The following changes will be implemented in 2021:

**WATER CHARGES**

Monthly Service Charge: (per equivalent unit)	increase from \$26.40 to \$27.98
Volume Charge:	
2,001-8,000 gallons usage (rate per 1,000 gallons)	increase from \$4.74 to \$5.02
8,001-20,000 gallons usage (rate per 1,000 gallons)	increase from \$9.48 to \$10.05
Over 20,001 gallons usage (rate per 1,000 gallons)	increase from \$11.90 to \$12.61
Water Fill Station Charge per 1,000 gallons:	increase from \$10.23 to \$10.84
Water Availability of Service	remains at \$14.30
Wastewater Availability of Service	remains at \$12.50

The Capital Investment Fees for both water and wastewater will increase by 3% per year.

**WASTEWATER CHARGES**

The changes to wastewater service charges include a 2.5% annual rate increase beginning in 2024 and ending in 2027. These increases will equate to a 10.38% cumulative increase over the 4 year period.

The Water and Wastewater Rate Study can be found at <http://www.pawsd.org>

For assistance regarding how these proposed rate changes could affect your water bill, please call 970-731-2691 and a staff member will be able to do a comparison based upon your historical usage.