



King County Water District 90

RATE INCREASE

Winter 2012

Calendar

Board of
Commissioner
Meetings (4:45pm)
First and Third
Tuesdays

At the District Office
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2013 RATE INCREASE ANNOUNCEMENT

The Board of Commissioners approved a general 7% rate increase effective with bills sent after January 1, 2013. The increase, recommended by District management, is a continuing response to the 28% rate increase in the cost of water purchased from Seattle in 2012. In addition, because Seattle imposes a surcharge on the water we buy during the summer, the District will also be charging a summer surcharge of \$0.50 per Ccf (1 Ccf is equal to about 750 gallons) for water usage on bills in June, July, August and September. After extensive review of the District's budget and financial situation, the Board believes this is the lowest and most equitable rate increase required to maintain the District's financial position in a prudent manner.

It is estimated that an average water user (7 Ccf) will pay about \$3.25 more per month, including the summer surcharge. A minimum user (under 5 Ccf per billing period) will pay about \$1.60 more per month. The low-income/disabled rate will increase \$0.75 per month.

In addition, the street light rate, which has remained the same for nearly ten years despite increases in the cost of power, will increase \$0.25 per month.

The rates for all categories of users have increased, and the full rate sheet is available from the District or can be found on our website, <http://www.kcwd90.com>. Just click Billing Procedures and Rates to the link for the rates page.

What will the rate increase look like on an average customer's water bill? Customers are billed every other month.

Average Winter Bill - 12Ccf's

Base Charge @	\$48.15
Consumption:	
5 Ccfs @ \$0.00 =	\$ 0.00
7 Ccfs @ \$2.75 =	\$19.25
Total	\$67.40

(*Compare w/2012 \$62.85)

Average Summer Bill - 18Ccf's

Base Charge @	\$48.15
Consumption:	
5 Ccfs @ \$0.00 =	\$ 0.00
10 Ccfs @ \$2.75 =	\$27.50
3 Ccfs @ \$3.20 =	\$ 9.60

Summer Surcharge

13 Ccfs @ \$0.50 =	\$ 6.50
Total	\$91.75

(*Compare w/2012 \$79.50)

What do our employees say about working at KCWD90? Here are some of the things we are MOST PROUD of...

Josh Deraitus, Operations Manager, 13 years

I am most proud of our safety track record (zero on-the-job accidents in 13 years). I am also proud of our emergency response efforts during wind and snow storms in order to keep customers in service.

Tom Hoffman, District Manager, 12 years

I am most proud of putting together a great team here at KCWD 90.

Jenny Garnica, Accounting/Customer Service, 12 years

I am most proud that the District has come a long way (such as adding a website, internet and phone payment options, low income rates, etc) and that we look for ways to improve all the time. I am also proud of the many times we have heard from customers that we are so nice to work with and they are happy to be our customers.

Darcey Peterson, Finance Manager, 11 years

I am most proud of the new Administration and Operations buildings. We have received a lot of very positive feedback from our customers about the District's vastly improved work space.

Dona Linton, Accounting/Customer Service, 8 years

I enjoy customer interaction every day and throughout the years getting to know the customers by their first or last name.

John Brittenham, Field Foreman, 6 years

I am most proud of our maintenance program; currently consisting of 14 separate programs. This is the first year that all programs have been completed thoroughly, on schedule, and on top of additional and unforeseen projects.

Gary Brown, Field Tech 2, 6 years

What I'm most proud of while working here at Water District 90 is customer service. I have always valued explaining the inner working of our Distribution System to our customers.

Jeremy Rex, Field Tech 1, 5 years

I think I would have to say the flushing program because not only does it prolong the life of the water main, but also brings in fresh water to our customers.

Robert Smart, Field Tech 1, 4 years

The project I am most proud of would have to be the asphaltting on 156th Ave. We took on a project in which we had no knowledge how to complete and with some help from the Renton inspector, we were able to learn and complete with a great turn out.

John Taylor, Meter Reader, 2 years

I am most proud of our vehicle and equipment maintenance programs. We do the best to assure that the equipment and fleet here at KCWD#90 are up to date on preventative maintenance to extend the life of each piece and keep it running the way we need it to at all times.

Brett Anderson, Meter Reader, 1 year

My personal favorite thing to do is install a new water service and/or fix leaks. That helps the District as well as the customer to provide high quality H2O at a lower cost.

Aaron Owen, Facilities, 1 year

The program that I am most proud of is Facility Maintenance. I take pride in each Reservoir and Pump Station making it look as if it were my own.