



DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY • COUNTY OF HAWAI'I

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WATER BOARD, COUNTY OF HAWAI'I
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Water Board of the County of Hawai'i will hold public hearings on the Proposed Water Rates at **6:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 24, 2022**, at the West Hawai'i Civic Center, Building G, Community Hale, 74-5044 Ane Keohokalole Highway, Kailua-Kona, Hawai'i, and at **6:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 25, 2022**, at the Aupuni Center Conference Room, 101 Pauahi Street, Suite 1, Hilo, Hawai'i.

Pursuant to Chapter 54, Part III, Hawai'i Revised Statutes, the hearings will be for the purpose of hearing views and comments of all persons interested in the following proposals for increases in the water rate schedules to be applied by the Department of Water Supply, County of Hawai'i, for all districts.

Not all components of the Department's water rate structure are subject to change at this time. Those components remaining unchanged include: General Use Block Thresholds, Agricultural Use Block Thresholds, Power Cost Charges, and Energy CIP Charges.

PROPOSED GENERAL USE RATES (per 1,000 gallons)

In addition to standby, power cost, and energy CIP charges, a consumption charge will be applied to all general use customers.

	Current Rates	Proposed July 1, 2022	Proposed July 1, 2023
1 st Block	\$1.04	\$1.14	\$1.25
2 nd Block	\$2.27	\$2.49	\$2.72
3 rd Block	\$3.99	\$4.37	\$4.78
4 th Block	\$5.30	\$5.80	\$6.35

PROPOSED AGRICULTURAL USE RATES (per 1,000 gallons)

In addition to standby, power cost, and energy CIP charges, a consumption charge will be applied to all agricultural use customers.

	Current Rates	Proposed July 1, 2022	Proposed July 1, 2023
1 st Block	\$1.04	\$1.14	\$1.25
2 nd Block	\$2.27	\$2.49	\$2.72
3 rd Block	\$1.44	\$1.58	\$1.73

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PROPOSED MONTHLY STANDBY CHARGES

All meter connections shall be subject to a monthly standby charge as follows:

Meter Size (inches)	Current Rates	Proposed July 1, 2022	Proposed July 1, 2023
5/8"	\$22.83	\$25.00	\$27.37
1"	\$48.59	\$53.21	\$58.26
1½"	\$90.40	\$98.99	\$108.39
2"	\$141.25	\$154.67	\$169.36
3"	\$258.77	\$283.35	\$310.27
4"	\$426.01	\$466.48	\$510.80
6"	\$844.11	\$924.30	\$1,012.11
8"	\$1,346.96	\$1,474.92	\$1,615.04
10"	\$1,943.60	\$2,128.24	\$2,330.42
12"	\$3,390.00	\$3,712.05	\$4,064.69

PROPOSED MONTHLY STANDBY CHARGES FOR PRIVATE FIRE PROTECTION

For each connection of automatic fire sprinklers or other private fire protection, there shall be a standby charge per month, in addition to consumption, power cost, and energy CIP charges, based on the size of the connection as follows:

Size of Service (inches)	Current Rates	Proposed July 1, 2022	Proposed July 1, 2023
2"	\$20.34	\$22.27	\$24.39
3"	\$39.55	\$43.31	\$47.42
4"	\$54.24	\$59.39	\$65.04
6"	\$134.47	\$147.24	\$161.23
8"	\$204.53	\$223.96	\$245.24

PROPOSED MONTHLY STANDBY CHARGES FOR FIRE LINE OR FIRE SERVICE METERS

For each connection of combined fire and domestic services, there shall be a standby charge per month, in addition to consumption, power cost, and energy CIP charges, based on the large size of the connection as follows:

Size of Service (inches)	Current Rates	Proposed July 1, 2022	Proposed July 1, 2023
3"	\$233.91	\$256.13	\$280.46
4"	\$384.20	\$420.70	\$460.67
6"	\$762.75	\$835.21	\$914.56
8"	\$1,218.14	\$1,333.86	\$1,460.58
10"	\$1,752.63	\$1,919.13	\$2,101.45

PROPOSED STANDPIPE CHARGES

New customers obtaining water service from Department of Water Supply standpipe facilities shall be charged an initial payment and on a monthly basis for the proportional cost of the standpipe facility. These charges are as follows and in addition to general use consumption, standby, power cost, and energy CIP charges:

	Current Rates	Proposed July 1, 2022	Proposed July 1, 2023
Initial Payment:			
Meter Size			
5/8"	\$206.79	\$226.44	\$247.95
1"	\$416.97	\$456.58	\$499.96
1½"	\$519.80	\$569.18	\$623.25
2"	\$622.63	\$681.78	\$746.55
Amortized Installation Cost			
– Monthly:			
Meter Size			
5/8"	\$11.30	\$12.37	\$13.55
1"	\$22.60	\$24.75	\$27.10
1½"	\$28.25	\$30.93	\$33.87
2"	\$32.77	\$35.88	\$39.29

All those desiring to express their views, arguments, or submit data on the above matter may do so by submitting statements in writing to the Chairperson of the Water Board of the County of Hawai‘i on or before the date of the public hearing; but anyone interested may appear in person to submit their data, views, or arguments orally before the Water Board at the hearing. Submissions made to the Chairperson prior to the date of the hearing shall be mailed or delivered to the Chairperson in care of the Department of Water Supply, 345 Kekūanaō‘a Street, Hilo, Hawai‘i 96720.

If accommodation or auxiliary aid and/or services (i.e., sign language, interpreter, large print) to participate in the hearing is required, please call (808) 961-8050.

Dated at Hilo, Hawai‘i, this 26th day of April, 2022.

WATER BOARD OF THE COUNTY OF HAWAI‘I

By: David S. De Luz, Jr.
Its Chairperson

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