

September 2021 – September 2030  
**Scheduled Water/Sewer Rate Increase Information**

In 2021, it had been 10 years since the City of Depoe Bay performed an analysis of its water and sewer systems user rates. Therefore, the City Council authorized FCS Group to assess and evaluate the financial health of the City's water and sewer systems, with the primary objective being to evaluate the systems' existing and future revenue and financial requirements for a 10-year planning period.

It is important that the City charge the actual cost of providing water and sewer services to its customers. Developing a sound financial plan is the key to achieving this, Annual revenue requirements include operation and maintenance costs, and capital outlay costs. User rates are the primary mechanism used to fund the water and sewer systems. At a minimum, rates should be sufficient to generate revenues required to support operations, maintain and develop capital infrastructure, and preserve or enhance the financial integrity of the system.

The financial analysis of the water and sewer systems indicated that the existing rates were not sufficient to meet operation and maintenance requirements, and FCS Group recommended that the City raise its rates in order to secure the financial health of the systems. In addition to generating the needed revenue to properly operate and maintain the City's water and sewer systems, the rate structures were designed to provide revenue stability. FCS Group additionally recommended keeping its structure for its sewer rates that does not include a water allowance as part of the fixed bi-monthly rate.

FCS Group presented their findings and recommendations at a duly noticed public meeting of the City Council on August 17, 2021. The proposed increases, implementing the recommendations, was passed on September 7, 2021 by Resolution 513-21.

The first increase will become effective on September 1, 2021, and the new rates will be billed on the October 31, 2021 bill. Thereafter, the rates will increase on July 1<sup>st</sup> of each year between, 2022 and 2030.

	<b>TABLE 1-WATER RATES</b>			
	Effective Dates	Bi-Monthly Base Water Service per EDU	Water Usage Rate per one thousand gallons (Kgal)	
	September 1, 2021	\$49.76	\$3.75	
	July 1, 2022	\$53.24	\$4.01	
	July 1, 2023	\$56.96	\$4.29	
	July 1, 2024	\$60.95	\$4.59	
	July 1, 2025	\$64.61	\$4.86	
	July 1, 2026	\$68.49	\$5.15	
	July 1, 2027	\$71.91	\$5.41	
	July 1, 2028	\$75.51	\$5.68	
	July 1, 2029	\$79.28	\$5.97	
	July 1, 2030	\$82.45	\$6.21	

<b>TABLE 2-WASTEWATER Rates</b>			
	Effective Dates	Bi-Monthly Base Water Service per EDU	Water Usage Rate per one thousand gallons (Kgal)
	September 1, 2021	\$38.28	\$4.06
	July 1, 2022	\$44.40	\$4.71
	July 1, 2023	\$90.23	\$5.46
	July 1, 2024	\$59.75	\$6.34
	July 1, 2025	\$67.52	\$7.16
	July 1, 2026	\$74.95	\$7.95
	July 1, 2027	\$78.69	\$8.35
	July 1, 2028	\$82.63	\$8.76
	July 1, 2029	\$86.76	\$9.20
	July 1, 2030	\$90.23	\$9.57

### **TABLE 3- MISCELLANEOUS FEES**

1. New customer account setup/processing fee shall be \$25.00.
2. Water turn on or turn off fee (upon property owner's request or pursuant to Ordinance No. 149, as amended) shall be \$25.00 per action.
3. Termination notice fee (Section 6.090-9a) shall be \$30.00 for each notice.
4. Lien Filing or satisfaction of lien filing fee shall be \$65.00 for each action.

### **TABLE 4- CITY OF DEPOE BAY WATER AND WASTEWATER RECOMMENDED EQUIVALENT DWELLING UNIT**

<b><u>DEVELOPMENT TYPE</u></b>	<b><u>EDU'S PER UNIT</u></b>
Single Family	1
MultiFamily	1
Manufactured Home	1
Tourist Accommodations (ie, hotel/motel units with kitchens or fixtures other than a bathroom)	1
Tourist Accommodations (ie hotel/motel units with bathroom only)	.5
RV Parks and Campgrounds	.5
Other Commercial	Determined by meter size or projected water usage
Industrial	Determined by meter size, Projected usage or equivalent fixture units

**TABLE 5- CITY OF DEPOE BAY RECOMMENDED EQUIVALENT EDU'S BY METER SIZE  
BASED ON EQUIVALENT FLOW CAPACITY OF METERS**

METER SIZE		RATED FLOW (gpm)		5/8" X 3/4" equivalent		EDU'S		
5/8" - 3/4"		20		1		1		
1"		50		2.5		2.5		
1-1/2"		70		5		5		
2"		100		8		8		
3"		160		16		16		
4"		500		25		25		
6"		1,000		50		50		
8"		1,600		80		80		