



Greeley Water, Sewer, and Stormwater will need to spend more in 2023 to keep the city's utilities resilient and to protect your property and our community. That means about a \$8.67 a month proposed increase (on average) in utility bills. The proposed increases fund public health and safety projects for water, wastewater, and stormwater to ensure safety, system reliability and readiness for today and into the future.

These proposed water and sewer rate increases are not yet final and will go before the Water and Sewer Board for consideration in December. Greeley City Council approved the stormwater rate increase with the 2023 budget.

### Why the proposed increase

**The proposed water rate increase** allows for continued investment to replace aging infrastructure in 2023. However, officials intentionally put a number of infrastructure construction projects on hold to reduce the water rate increase. While chemicals, power and materials costs have all increased over recent months, the city's water utility has cut its water purchasing budget and controlled costs to ensure the water rate adjustment is less than general inflation.

**The proposed sewer rate increase** allows the city to meet an unfunded environmental regulatory mandate by the state and federal government to reduce algae-forming nutrients released in treated wastewater. Greeley and all other municipalities across Colorado are obligated to comply with these stricter regulations, which are increasing costs to wastewater customers across the state.

**The stormwater rate increase** will replace aging and undersized drainage systems across the city and improve public safety. Public Works' multi-year plan to construct improvements will help protect your property and our community.

### Proposed average expected monthly rate adjustments

Water - \$1.83   Sewer - \$4.71   Stormwater - \$2.13

These rates are averages. Bills are based on volume and lot size which could increase or decrease the impact of the proposed 2023 rate adjustments.

Learn more: [greeleygov.com/water](http://greeleygov.com/water)

### Water Bill Assistance

If your income is up to 60% of the state median income level, you may qualify to receive financial assistance for water services through the Low-Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP).

#### To qualify for this assistance, the household must meet these criteria:

- Be approved for LEAP between November 1, 2022 - April 30, 2023
- Complete the addendum within the LEAP application and submit a copy of your water bill.
- Earn a maximum family household income that does not exceed 60% of the state median income level.
- Must pay drinking water services and/or waste/sewer services directly to Greeley Water.
- Services must be in disconnected, facing disconnection, or have a past due amount on the bill.

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