

Overview of Proposed Water Rate Increase

Why the increase in rates? The money raised from rate increases helps us continue to provide our core services to the people of Philadelphia. We don't profit from rate increases.

WHAT WILL THE RATE INCREASE PAY FOR?

We do everything possible to keep our rates flat, but some costs are rising.

- Increased expenses in the components that allow us to guarantee safe and reliable water:
 - Pipes** to deliver drinking water and manage wastewater and stormwater
 - Plants** to make top quality drinking water & protect public health
 - People** to keep our facilities and services running 24/7
- We are **managing the costs of federal laws** that require protection of water sources against **stormwater** pollution from sewage overflows and runoff to achieve fishable, swimmable, clean & beautiful rivers and streams.



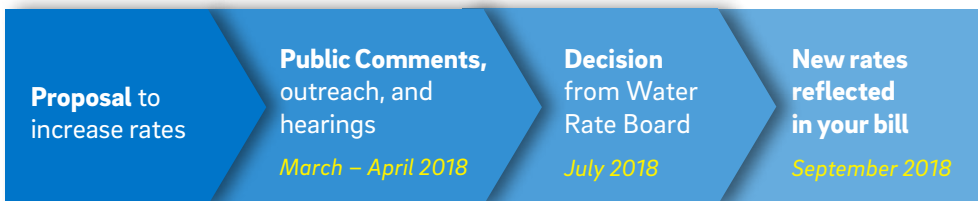
HOW MUCH WOULD A TYPICAL MONTHLY WATER BILL INCREASE?

We're proposing a 10.6% rate increase, spread over three years, beginning in September 2018.



? These **typical bills** represent people who have a 5/8" water meter and use 500 cubic feet of water (3,740 gallons) per month. Differences in water usage will result in higher or lower charges.

WHEN: A TIMELINE FOR WHAT TO EXPECT



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What is the Water Rate Board?

The Rate Board is independent of PWD and ultimately responsible for setting and regulating rates and charges for water and sewer services. PWD will propose a rate increase to the board.

www.phila.gov/water/rateboard