



**Estes Park Sanitation District
PO Box 722, Estes Park, CO 80517**

Wastewater User Fee Rates 2019 – 2023

The Estes Park Sanitation District began a series of proposed rate increases in 2019. The District will review this budget model annually. All projected rate increases for future years will require public notice, but the purpose is to allow individuals and businesses to anticipate future rates. The directors confirmed this schedule at our December 10th, 2019 budget meeting.

To ensure the District can consistently provide quality wastewater treatment and collection to our customers we undergo periodic reviews of the rates charged for those services. Our anticipated operating costs such as electrical, chemical, biosolids removal and maintaining quality staff are closely monitored. Future capital improvements are centered on upgrades to our collection system, replacing key aging components of our treatment plant and meeting future regulations. Whenever possible, these improvements focus on increased staff productivity and reducing operational costs. Proposed facility improvements during the life of this study include the replacement of existing biosolids thickening equipment, air generating blowers (70 years old) and significant changes to air piping in the facility to increase plant flexibility. Collection improvements will include the Reclamation District where sections of pipe are 75 years old.

Our five-year model projects annual rates increases of 3.0% through 2023. These increases will be reviewed each year to see if adjustments (up or down) are necessary to balance our budget and meet capital improvement requirements.

Classifications	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Single Family Dwelling	409	434	447	460	474	488
MFDA – Condo or Townhome	409	434	447	460	474	488
MFDB – Small apartment	275	292	301	310	319	329
Small Commercial (minimum)	280	297	312	321	330	335
Commercial rate per 1000 gal.	7.730	8.194	8.440	8.693	8.954	9.223

In addition to the annual charges shown above, the quarterly account maintenance fee of \$5 per residential and \$15 per commercial account will continue on each bill. Commercial customers are billed based on actual water usage.

Thank you – James Duell, District Manager