

Culinary and Pressurized Irrigation Costs

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The new user rates for the culinary and pressurized irrigation systems are designed to meet the financial obligations of the systems, as well as to encourage people to connect to the pressurized irrigation system.

In 2007, residents paid \$10 per month for up to 10,000 gallons usage with an additional overage charge of \$0.75 per 1,000 gallons. The new culinary rates are \$14 per month for up to 6,000 gallons with an additional overage charge as demonstrated in the tiered rate schedule shown. The pressurized irrigation will be \$14 per month for lots up to 9,000 square feet with an additional \$0.001750 per square foot per month for any area over 9,000. All connections will continue to be charged a \$5 per month fee to pay for the CUP water that is separate from the culinary and pressurized irrigation fees.

Culinary Rate Schedule		
Gallons of Usage	Previously Approved	New
Per Month	Rate	Rate
6,000	\$14.00 (base)	Same
6,000 to 8,000	\$2.00 (per 1,000 gallon)	Same
8,000 to 10,000	\$2.50 (per 1,000 gallon)	Same
10,000 to 12,000	\$3.00 (per 1,000 gallon)	Same
12,000 to 14,000	\$3.50 (per 1,000 gallon)	\$3.31
14,000 to 50,000	\$4.00 (per 1,000 gallon)	\$3.31
50,000 to 100,000	\$5.00 (per 1,000 gallon)	\$3.31
Over 100,000	\$6.00 (per 1,000 gallon)	\$3.31

Individuals will not pay a connection fee if the connect upon being notified that the service is available to them. Residents that choose to wait 6 months or more to schedule the inspection of their connection will be charged a connection fee of \$250. Each existing resident will have a hose bib provided in the connection box at their property line, but will be responsible to pay for any required improvements on their property to utilize the system, such as connecting it to the in-ground sprinkler system. New construction will be charged an impact fee to offset the cost of oversizing the system to meet the demands future users will place on the systems. Any fees collected will be utilized to pay for operation and maintenance of both systems, finance future improvements, make bond payments, make required payments to CUP, pay irrigation company share assessments, and other expenses related to providing culinary and pressurized irrigation water to residents.

The following three examples have been provided to help residents understand the billing structure. Rates shown are approximate. Examples may or may not be representative of an individual connection and each resident is encouraged to evaluate the new rate schedules based on their own usage patterns. These examples do not include the \$5 per month CUP charge.

Example A: The Smiths have a 0.2 acre lot. Last year, their meter readings were as follows: 30,000 (March), 70,000 (June), 100,000 (August), and 70,000 (October) for a total of 270,000 gallons. Their bill for their water usage was \$247 for the year. This year, if the Smiths choose to remain on the culinary system and use equal gallons of water their bill will be \$789. If the Smiths connect to the PI system their bill for both culinary and the PI water usage combined will be \$336.

Example B: The Johnsons have a 0.76 acre lot. Last year, their meter readings were as follows: 75,000 (March), 140,000 (June), 140,000 (August), and 75,000 (October) for a total of 430,000 gallons. Their bill for their water usage was \$336 for the year. This year, if the Johnsons choose to remain on the culinary system and use equal gallons of water their bill will be \$1,294. If the Johnsons connect to the PI system their bill for both culinary and the PI water usage combined will be \$1,141.

Example C: The Richards have a 1 acre lot. Last year, their meter readings were as follows: 100,000 (March), 243,000 (June), 243,000 (August), and 100,000 (October) for a total of 686,000 gallons. Their bill for their water usage was \$608 for the year. This year, if the Richards choose to remain on the culinary system and use equal gallons of water their bill will be \$2,142. If the Richards connect to the PI system their bill for both culinary and the PI water usage combined will be \$1,558.

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^{*}These are proposed rates and are subject to change based on economic conditions.