



Understanding Your New Water Bill

Monthly Charges	
Water	\$
Sewer	\$
Stormwater	\$

Beginning April 1, 2024, BWSC customers will see a change on their bills. There will be three separate line-item charges: one line each for water, sewer and stormwater. Currently, customers have been paying for their stormwater management through the sewer charge. Now, paying for stormwater separately will lower the sewer rate since it is removed from the sewer charge.

The stormwater charge is based on how much hard surface (impervious surface) like driveways and walkways are on your property. This is a more equitable way to fund improvements for the stormwater system because everyone pays for the service they use. All property owners with more than 400 square feet of impervious area will be billed. This includes but is not limited to, residential, commercial, schools, houses of worship, parking lots and other owners with property that place demands on the stormwater system. We expect the new way we charge for stormwater will create 7,800 new customer accounts.

How To Calculate Your Stormwater Charge

2024 Monthly BWSC Bill Estimate	Before Stormwater Charge	After Stormwater Charge	Difference
Water Charges	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Sewer Charges	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Stormwater Charges	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Combined Charges	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Estimate is based on BWSC's 2024 Rates.

Steps to assist you in determining your monthly stormwater charge:

- Go to www.bwsc.org and click on stormwater.
- Click on Estimator, enter your address and click on red dot.
- Click on Estimator and enter the water consumption on your bill. This can be found on the back of your bill.

Credits and Grants Lower The Cost of Your Bill



A 30 % discount will automatically apply to the stormwater charge for property owners who currently receive the elderly and disabled discounts.



A 30% credit is available for customers that meet standards for stormwater retention and infiltration systems on their property. Also, a 5% credit is available for educational programs that promote stormwater management practices.



Grants of up to \$4,000 for property owners through the Green Stormwater Infrastructure Assistance Grant Program.

Depending on eligibility, discounts and credits can be used together or separately to achieve a maximum of 40% reduction for the stormwater charge.

Find out more about BWSC credits and grants programs:

<https://www.bwsc.org/stormwater-grant-and-credit-program>

Investing In Stormwater Infrastructure



In addition to funding regular maintenance and permit compliance, having a dedicated stormwater charge will help us support a more resilient, sustainable future by funding:

- New storm-drain infrastructure
- Repair and replacement of existing infrastructure
- Green infrastructure
- Installation of stormwater control measures
- Outfall restoration
- Numerous other drainage improvement projects