

Rate Increase Frequently Asked Questions

By how much are rates increasing?

Rates for all residential (metered and non-metered) and commercial users will increase by 27%. After the increase, users will pay \$98.30 per month for each equivalent dwelling unit (EDU).

Why are rates increasing?

Indiana Code §13-26 requires districts like the MCRSD to cover all its operating expenses, debt service, capital replacement, and remain fiscally solvent. The RSD's operational, maintenance, and utility expenses had increased rapidly after a long period of no rate increases; therefore, a 50% rate increase was done in 2023.

After the 2023 rate increase had taken effect for several months, the district engaged an independent financial advisor to perform a rate study and see if the rate increase was sufficient. The findings indicated another rate increase was needed to effect a lawful rate to cover all the costs of running the district for the foreseeable future.

When will new rates take effect?

New rates will take effect December 1, 2024. Your first increased bill will be for the month of December 2024 and you will receive it in January 2025.

Can customers appeal this increase?

You have rights under Indiana Code Section 13-26-11-15 to appeal this increase by filing a written petition to the district. A petition must set forth the grounds for the objections and 1) contain the name and address of each petitioner; 2) be filed at 1580 Constitution Row, Suite E, Crawfordsville by close of business on November 9, 2024.

Where can I read the rate increase ordinance and schedule of rates?

All documents regarding this rate increase can be found under the "Rates" section of the Resources page of the district's website at https://montgomeryrsd.com/resources/.

I am a non-metered customer. Can I install a meter to decrease my sewer bill? No. The district's Ordinance 2022-02 does not allow non-metered customers to install meters and be billed as metered customers. All metered users as of December 14, 2022 are grandfathered into compliance.

Please contact the district's office at info@montgomeryrsd.com if you have additional questions or concerns.

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