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Proposed Water Rate Adjustments

The Dry Creek Water Association Board of Trustees is proposing a series of gradual water rate adjustments over the next five years to support critical infrastructure improvements, rising construction and operational costs, and ongoing system maintenance and repairs. These adjustments are intended to ensure continued, reliable service while keeping rates as affordable as possible.

The proposed increases will take effect on June 1, 2026, and on January 1 of each subsequent year through 2030.

Proposed Annual Rate Increases

Category	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
Monthly Charge – Residential	4.70%	4.70%	4.70%	4.70%	4.70%
Monthly Charge – Commercial	6.70%	6.70%	6.70%	6.70%	6.70%
Water Usage – Residential	4.70%	4.70%	4.70%	4.70%	4.70%
Water Usage – Commercial	4.70%	4.70%	4.70%	4.70%	4.70%

New Monthly Charges for Private Fire Lines

These charges apply to properties with private fire lines and are intended to help fund the infrastructure required to supply, maintain, and upgrade these services.

Line Size	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
4-inch	\$35.00	\$39.20	\$43.90	\$49.17	\$55.07
6-inch	\$75.00	\$84.00	\$94.08	\$105.37	\$118.01
8-inch	\$130.00	\$145.60	\$163.07	\$182.64	\$204.56
10-inch	\$200.00	\$224.00	\$250.88	\$280.99	\$314.70

Late Fee Policy Update

Effective June 1, 2026, the late fee will change from a flat \$20.00 charge to 10% of the outstanding account balance.

Example Impact on a Typical Residential Account

The estimated increase for a typical single-family residential member beginning June 1, 2026, is approximately \$3.00 per month.

Description	Current	After June 1, 2026
Monthly Charge	\$46.00	\$48.16
Water Usage (500 cubic feet)	\$17.50	\$18.30
Total Monthly Bill	\$63.50	\$66.46

Key Projects Supported by These Increases

- Water Storage Expansion – The State has required the Association to increase water storage capacity to meet both fire protection and system demand requirements.
- Well Redundancy – One of the system's two wells has an ongoing iron bacteria issue. A new well is needed to provide a reliable backup to the current primary well.
- Edgewood Drive Water Main – The first phase of this project is currently in the engineering stage and will remain on hold until adequate funding is secured.
- Edgewood Drive Relocation Dispute – There is an ongoing dispute regarding funding responsibility for relocating the water main related to the Amazon warehouse development near Critchfield Road. Legal counsel has been retained to assist in resolving this matter.

Questions and Comments

Questions or written comments may be submitted by email to drycreekwater@gmail.com or delivered in person to the Association office.