Stormwater: rain and runoff that flows over hard surfaces directly into storm drains and to waterways.

As our City grows, natural areas are covered up by hard surfaces that do not allow rain to soak into the ground. Underground pipes and catch basins, along with stormwater facilities, are built to protect from flooding and filter pollutants from stormwater.

Fees fund Springfield’s required stormwater management program that includes construction and maintenance of the system, such as:

- Cleaning and maintaining more than 200 miles of stormwater pipelines and 6,500 catch basins.
- Sweeping 6,000 miles of paved streets.
- Maintaining and inspecting water quality facilities such as ponds, swales, and rain gardens.
- Addressing illicit stormwater discharges.
- Providing community education programs.

**Stormwater charges** are assessed on all properties in the City of Springfield (Springfield Code 4.204). The Springfield City Council approved a 2% stormwater rate increase to fund stormwater capital projects and programs, effective on bills issued on and after July 1, 2019.

### Improving Water Quality

Stormwater runoff picks up everything on the ground from pet waste to motor oil, and carries those pollutants directly to local waterways. Proper management improves the quality of stormwater entering the McKenzie and Willamette rivers, for better recreational opportunities and a healthier environment. Learn more at [www.springfieldstreams.org](http://www.springfieldstreams.org).

### Stormwater Monthly Fee Schedule

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**Residential includes single family residential and duplex households**

**Commercial is based on percentage of property development (impervious surface)**

**In addition to the total Commercial rate above, an Administrative Fee of $1.758 per account is applied monthly**
Wastewater: water from inside buildings (sink, toilet, etc.) that is cleaned at the wastewater treatment plant before being released to the Willamette River.

Local (City of Springfield) wastewater fees help collect and convey wastewater from homes and businesses to the regional wastewater treatment plant. Regional (Metropolitan Wastewater Management Commission) fees support the cleaning of wastewater at the treatment plant, operated by the MWMC.

Wastewater fees are billed to all users connected to the regional wastewater treatment plant (Springfield Code 4.204). Wastewater fees fund:

- Capital planning and construction of facilities.
- Operations and maintenance of pipelines, pump stations, and wastewater treatment equipment.
- Industrial Pretreatment oversight of commercial and industrial users.
- Water quality monitoring and testing.
- Community outreach, including facility tours.

Wastewater charges include a base MWMC charge of $13.55 per month, and a flow-based fee for the amount of water used and customer category. The flow-based fee is a combination of City of Springfield and the MWMC wastewater service rates per unit (748 gallons) of water used. The MWMC approved a 2% rate increase in regional fees, and the City Council approved a 2% increase in local fees, effective on bills issued on and after July 1, 2019.

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### Your Wastewater Bill Varies Seasonally

The flow portion of your wastewater bill is based on units of water consumed. One unit equals 748 gallons. Flow fees are determined from water meter readings from December through April. From May through November, bills are based on the average of the winter usage or actual usage, whichever is less. For accounts with fewer than three months usage, bills are based on seven (7) units or actual usage, whichever is less.

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