

Tatoosh Water Company

IMPORTANT NOTICE *UPDATED*

April 7, 2021

Tatoosh Water Company has asked the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission to approve an application to increase rates and implement a 30-month surcharge. If approved, the new rates and surcharge will become effective June 1, 2021. If approved the rate increase would generate approximately an additional \$3,600 in monthly revenue to cover expenses, and the surcharge will generate a total of \$142,320 for a mandatory capital project.

The water rate increase will help cover increased expenses such as contract operations, repairs, maintenance, and insurance. The current rates were set in 2017 and do not cover current expenses. Expense deficits have been paid for by the owners of Tatoosh Water Company.

Current Monthly Rates(3/4" meter)	Current Rate
Base Rate (up to 450 cubic feet(cf))	\$38.23
Over 450 cf	\$1.50

Proposed Monthly Rates	Proposed Rate
Base Rate (zero allowance)	\$40.00
0-600 (cf)	\$1.30
601-1,200 (cf)	\$3.05
Over 1,201 (cf)	\$4.05

Usage rates are per 100 cf. One cubic foot=approx.7.48 gallons.

The system surcharge will replace two aging Pressure Reducing Valve (PRV) vaults. PRV vaults hold pipes and valves to reduce high pressure to low pressure to maintain high standards of water quality and quantity. The current PRV vaults have wear and age, and it is necessary they be replaced. The funds generated by this surcharge will pay for 100% of the completed project.

The surcharge is to expire November 1, 2023, or upon recovery of \$142,320. Cost includes engineering, construction and WA State sales tax. The Surcharge may be paid (within 90 days of effective date) in a one-time payment of \$995.25.

Below is a comparison of current and proposed Surcharge rates:

	Current Surcharge Rates	Proposed
Surcharge Rates		
Each Customer or Connection (billed monthly)	N/A	\$33.18 per month

If you have any questions about the filing and how it will affect you, please call Tatoosh Water Company at 360-466-4443.

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The commission has the authority to set final rates that may be lower or higher than the company's request, depending on the outcome of its investigation. You can submit comments by going to www.utc.wa.gov and clicking "Submit a Comment," or by one of the following options:

Mail: Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission

PO Box 47250, Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Email: comments@utc.wa.gov

Telephone: 1-888-333-WUTC (9882)

Commission staff will make a recommendation to the Commissioners at an open meeting which is scheduled for 9:30am on May 20, 2021. The UTC building is closed to the public until further notice. This open meeting will be conducted remotely. If you intend to listen or participate, call 360-664-1234 for instructions and to sign in the day before the meeting.

A memo containing the staff recommendation will be available on the commission website about three days prior to the open meeting. If a memo is available and you wish to view the memo, go to utc.wa.gov. Click on the link near the bottom that says "Documents". Under "Open Meetings", click on "Agendas, meeting minutes, orders". When the open meeting date (see above) appears, click on the memo for this filing. This will take you a page with the memo and any associated attachments.

Sincerely,
Tatoosh Water Company
Kelly Wynn, Manager