

Water rates in Waukesha to increase over next several years

WAUKESHA — Total water bills in Waukesha will increase over the next several years to reflect the increasing costs of regular operations and maintenance, as well as the costs of the new water supply project. The rate estimates are in line with water rate projections made at the start of the project.

Total water bills include wastewater and return flow charges, along with the water supply rates. For a residence using an average of 4,000 gallons per month, rates are estimated to increase from the January 2023 level of \$102 per month on the following projected schedule:

- October 2023, to \$117 per month (+14.7%)
- October 2024, to \$135 per month (+15.4%)
- January 2026, to \$147 per month (+8.9%)
- January 2027, to \$154 per month (+4.8%)

Stop by the Farmers Market this Saturday and visit the Waukesha Water Utility booth.

Utility staff will answer questions about what you need to do to prepare for Waukesha's transition from its current groundwater source to Lake Michigan water. The transition is scheduled for late summer 2023 (currently estimated early September).

For more details about water rates and other aspects of the new water supply project visit <https://greatwateralliance.com/transition/>.