

Falmouth Wastewater, sewer rate increases 1970 to present

Fiscal Year	Residential rate per month	% increase	Notes
1970	\$7.67		Initial residential user charge when the treatment plant became operational.
1971	\$7.67	0.0%	
1972	\$7.67	0.0%	
1973	\$7.67	0.0%	
1974	\$7.67	0.0%	
1975	\$7.67	0.0%	
1976	\$7.67	0.0%	
1977	\$7.67	0.0%	
1978	\$7.67	0.0%	
1979	\$11.67	52.2%	Increase was for stepped up maintenance of sewer lines and deficit spending reduction
1980	\$11.67	0.0%	
1981	\$11.67	0.0%	
1982	\$16.67	42.8%	Increase was for rehabilitaion of legacy sewer lines and establishing reserve accounts
1983	\$16.67	0.0%	
1984	\$18.67	12.0%	Increase was to offset debt payments for the Pleasant Hill sewer
1985	\$18.67	0.0%	
1986	\$18.67	0.0%	
1987	\$18.67	0.0%	
1988	\$18.67	0.0%	
1989	\$18.67	0.0%	
1990	\$22.67	21.4%	Increase was for operation & maintenance & increase in reserves
1991	\$26.00	14.7%	Increase was to offset capital cost for interim plant improvements to extend life of the treatment facility
1992	\$26.00	0.0%	
1993	\$26.00	0.0%	
1994	\$26.00	0.0%	
1995	\$26.00	0.0%	
1996	\$26.00	0.0%	
1997	\$26.50	1.9%	Operation and maintenance cost adjustment, sludge disposal cost increase with shift to contract vendor in lieu of local land disposal
1998	\$27.67	4.4%	Continued operation and maintenance adjustment, elimination of excess water charges for residential accounts due to the proposed cost for water readings
1999	\$27.67	0.0%	
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2002	\$27.67	0.0%	
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2004	\$27.67	0.0%	
2005	\$32.46	17.3%	Increase anticipating major capital cost for treatment plant renewal, \$8.1MM
2006	\$32.46	0.0%	
2007	\$37.27	14.8%	Adjustment to accommodate final plant upgrade cost targeting no rate increase for the next five years
2008	\$37.27	0.0%	
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2011	\$37.27	0.0%	
2012	\$37.27	0.0%	
2013	\$37.27	0.0%	
2014	\$37.27	0.0%	
2015	\$37.27	0.0%	
2016	\$40.44	8.5%	Increase anticipating major capital cost for replacement of the Mill Creek pump station and force main, \$5.9MM
2017	\$41.65	3.0%	Shift to smaller, incremental, regular rate increases in anticipation of future capital needs, West Falmouth sewer and plant upgrades. \$6-\$12MM
2018	\$42.90	3.0%	The most recent increase again targets anticipated future capital cost needs
2019	\$44.19	3.0%	Future capital cost needs.
2020	\$45.51	3.0%	Future capital cost needs.
2021	\$46.88	3.0%	Future capital cost needs.
2022	\$48.28*	3.0%	*Proposed per Wastewater Master Plan
2023	\$49.73*	3.0%	
2024	\$51.22*	3.0%	
2025	\$52.76*	3.0%	
2026	\$54.34*	3.0%	