

From: South River Water Association < >
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Subject: Drinking Water Program Fees Proposed Changes

Tyler Fortunati,

I am writing to comment on the DW Program fees proposed changes as a representative of South River Water Association. We are a proponent of parity and review of the data provided in your presentation, it does appear that transient and discounts to larger systems in the existing fee structure does not provide parity.

If the fees have to increase, we believe the flat rate annual fee and equal per connection fee is the fairest solution. (Snip below of the proposed change)

02. Fee Schedule. (7-1-24)

a. Owners of ~~all community and non-transient non-community~~ PWSs must pay an annual fee of \$100 plus a per connection fee of five dollars and fifty cents (\$5.50) according to the following fee schedule. (DATE):

Number of connections	Fee
1 to 20	\$100
21 to 184	\$5 per connection, not to exceed a total of \$735 per PWS
185 to 3663	\$4 per connection, not to exceed a total of \$10,988 per PWS minimum fee \$2530
3664 or more	\$3 per connection, minimum fee \$40,293

(7-1-24)

~~b. The annual fee for transient PWSs is twenty-five dollars (\$25).~~ (7-1-24)

c. New PWSs formed after ~~October-August~~ 1 will not pay a fee until the ~~following October~~ next annual billing cycle. (7-1-24)

I would also suggest an option where the proposed increase is staggered to increase incrementally over 1-5 years to minimize the impact to water systems most affected by the changes.

Respectfully,
Steve Crane
SRWA Board Secretary