

Explanation of the Water Bill

The Base Rate and Usage portion of the bill covers the day-to-day operations of the district (electricity, laboratory fees, wages, insurance, supplies, minor repairs.)

The Infrastructure portion of the bill covers larger, longer-term costs, such as the wastewater plant, water supply wells, pumps, motors and larger repairs or system improvements.

Water Use is based on a monthly reading of your water meter, measured in gallons. The current reading minus the previous reading, gives the current monthly usage. The charge is \$1.84 per 1000 gallons.

Sewer Use (volume of sewage) is the same as your Water Use during the winter months when no outside water usage occurs (We don't have a separate meter on your sewer drain line).

During the summer months, when lawns are watered, your sewer use (volume) is your average water use during the winter months. (December, January, and February). The charge is \$2.36 1000 gallons.

Late fee is 1.5% of any outstanding balance. We process payments once per month, so if the payment does not arrive until after the due date the computer automatically assesses a late fee. Example: \$80 outstanding bill = \$1.20 in late fee.

EXAMPLE BILL (based on 2,000 gallons of usage)

RAE Water
10 RAE Water Lane
Bozeman, MT 59718
(406) 586-3930

SERVICE:	CHARGES:	PAST DUE	BALANCE
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Account:		Billed: xx/xx/xxxx	
Water use	3.68	0.00	3.68
Water base	19.50	0.00	19.50
Sewer use	4.72	0.00	4.72
Sewer base	19.50	0.00	19.50
Infrastructure	30.17	0.00	30.17
Totals:	77.57	0.00	77.57

Resident:

Last Payment: xx/xx/xxxx
Current: 299000 xx/xx/xxxx
Previous: 297000 xx/xx/xxxx
Usage: 2000