



If you have any questions or want additional information about the rate increases, you may call Brian Tarbuck, General Manager, at (207) 622-3701, or the Administrative Director of the PUC at (207) 287-3831 to ask about water rates. (The PUC doesn't regulate wastewater and stormwater).

We encourage you to attend our public hearing on April 27, 2026. To help you prepare, you can review material about the rate increases at www.GAUD.ws/2026Rates (or scan the QR code below), or at our office at 12 Williams Street in Augusta. For all our current rates, please visit our website.

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!



PUBLIC HEARING

Proposed Rate Changes to Take Effect on or about June 1, 2026
Monday, April 27, 2026 at 6:00 PM
GAUD Headquarters: 22 Arsenal Street, Augusta, ME

Drinking Water & Fire Protection

Proposed increase is \$1.01/month minimum, and an average of approximately \$1.87/month per customer.

Wastewater

Proposed increase is \$0.96/month minimum, and an average of approximately \$2.71/month per residential customer.

Stormwater

Proposed increase is \$0.65/month minimum, and an average of approximately \$0.65/month per residential customer.

Please visit www.GAUD.ws/2026Rates or see inside for details.

Dear Customers,

Greater Augusta Utility District invites the public to a hearing on April 27, 2026 at 6:00 PM, at GAUD Headquarters: 22 Arsenal Street, District Meeting Room, Augusta, ME to learn more about our proposal to raise water, wastewater and stormwater rates effective on or about June 1, 2026. We take pride in keeping rates stable, but rising operating costs have now made the increases detailed on the front of this card essential to our continued supply of safe and reliable drinking water, and environmentally safe wastewater handling.

We hope to see you on April 27, 2026. In the meantime, see the back of this insert for ways you can learn more.



REASONS FOR A PROPOSED RATE INCREASE

Drinking Water & Fire Protection

- Replace aging pumps, pipes and equipment
- Address the rising costs of supplies and energy

The new rates would apply to all customer classes, including public and private fire protection and private hydrants, and would provide a total revenue increase of approximately \$317,215.

Wastewater

- Increased sludge disposal costs
- Replace pump station equipment
- Replace aging wastewater plant equipment
- Address increasing power and supply costs
- Replace and reline failing pipes
- Increase operational resiliency

The new sewer rates would apply to all customer classes and would provide a total revenue increase of approximately \$281,605.

Stormwater

- Stormwater pipe improvements
- Minimize the amount of sewage overflow into the Kennebec during extreme weather events
- Eliminating stormwater from combined sewers to reduce the amount of pollutants in wet weather events

The new stormwater rates would apply to all customer classes and would provide a total revenue increase of approximately \$206,523.