

Paris Utility District
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Legal Notice To Paris Utility District Customers

The Paris Utility District is proposing an increase in current water rates to be effective July 1, 2025. A public hearing will be held on Monday, May 19, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. at the Paris Utility District Office, 7 CN Brown Way, South Paris, Maine. The hearing will give customers the opportunity to testify, pose questions, and make comments regarding the proposed water rate increase.

A minimum user will see a quarterly increase of \$5.97. Estimated increases by customer class are as follows, amounts will vary according to usage.

	<u>Revenue Increase</u>	
Residential	9.5%	\$21,373
Commercial	9.5%	\$17,904
Industrial	9.5%	\$279
Governmental	9.5%	\$4,245
Private Fire Protection	9.5%	\$2,781
Public Fire Protection	9.5%	\$20,508

Since the last significant adjustment in 2022, the District has incurred continual increases in operating and maintenance costs, while building capital reserves for upcoming projects.

Materials supporting the rate change are available at the District's office, during regular business hours. Customers have the right and are encouraged to review these materials.

Pursuant to 35-A MRS Section § 6104, a customer has the right to request additional information relating to the present and proposed rates from the District, the right to an open and fair hearing, and the right to assistance from the Public Advocate upon request, who can be reached at 207-624-3687, State House Station 112, Augusta, ME 04333; or the Public Utilities Commission at 207-287-3831, State House Station 18, Augusta, ME 04333.

If within 30 days of the public hearing, 15% of the District's customers file with the District's General Manager and the Public Utilities Commission, a petition or petitions demanding review by the Commission, the rate change may be suspended, investigated, reviewed, or changed. Signatures on the petition are invalid unless accompanied by the printed names and addresses of the signers. Upon request, the District will provide customers with the appropriate petition forms.