Bureau of Environmental Services

Proposed Sewer and Stormwater Rates FY 2011-12

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Proposed rates fund operation and maintenance of the sewer and stormwater collection and treatment systems, protection of surface and ground waters, and restoration and preservation of Portland's watersheds, including:

- Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) control program, on schedule for completion in December 2011.
- Pumping and treatments costs for new flows from East Side CSO control facilities
- Maintenance and reconstruction of the sewer system.
- Grey to Green initiative to restore and preserve watershed health.
- Continued funding of City's role in the Portland Harbor Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study.

Capital Improvements

Total of \$111 million includes:

- Completing Combined Sewer Overflow controls \$26 million
- Maintaining the collection system \$30 million
- Improvements to pumping and treatment systems \$28 million
- Maintaining and improving watersheds and constructing green infrastructure \$24 million
- Extending sewer service \$3 million

1,554 jobs supported by capital improvement expenditures

Revenue Requirements

Revenue requirements from rates of \$258 million include:

- Debt service and cash financing of capital construction
- Operations and maintenance, including:
 - Wastewater treatment and collection system maintenance
 - Watershed protection and restoration
 - Pollution prevention activities and services
 - Healthy Working Rivers
- Utility License Fees and other fund transfers
 - General Fund Overhead
 - Portland Harbor Superfund

Proposed Rates

Average single family residential monthly sewer and stormwater bill increases by 6%, from \$53.33 to \$56.52

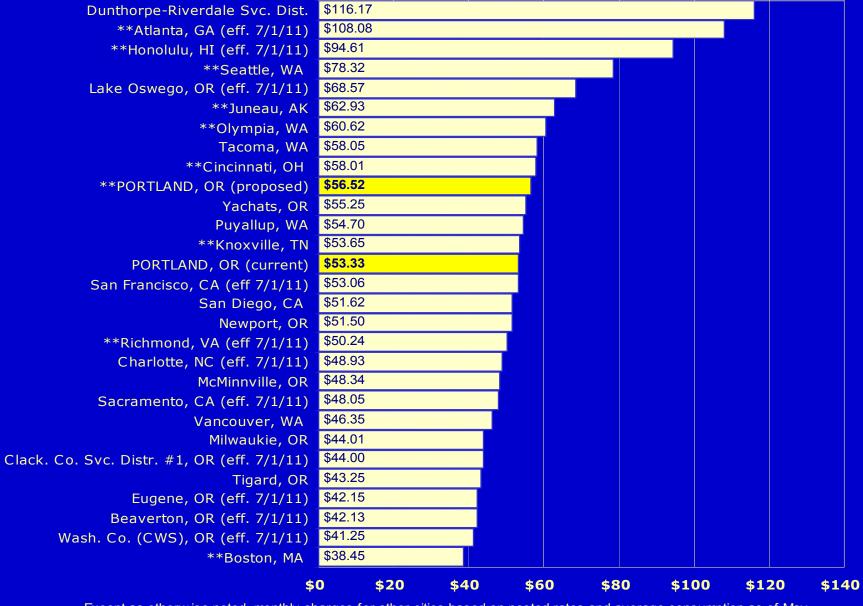
- Sanitary sewer increases from \$ 30.33 to \$32.96 per month
- Stormwater increases from \$21.79 to \$22.37 per month
- Portland Harbor Superfund charge decreases from \$1.21 to \$1.19 per month

Other Current and Proposed Rates

			Change	
Residential Rates	Current	Proposed	\$	%
Sanitary Sewage Volume (per hundred cubic feet)	\$6.92	\$7.54	\$0.62	9.0%
Stormwater Management (per thousand square feet of impervious area)	\$9.08	\$9.32	\$0.24	2.6%
Low Income Discount	\$25.57	\$26.62	\$1.05	4.1%
Commercial Rates				
Sanitary Sewage Volume (per hundred cubic feet)	\$7.045	\$7.629	\$0.584	8.3%
Stormwater Management (per thousand square feet of impervious area)	\$9.66	\$9.97	\$0.31	3.2%
Industrial Extra Strength Rates (per pound)				
Biochemical Oxygen Demand	\$0.547	\$0.583	\$0.036	6.6%
Suspended Solids	\$0.667	\$0.711	\$0.044	6.6%
Portland Harbor Superfund				
Sanitary Sewage Volume (per hundred cubic feet)	\$0.09	\$0.09	\$0.000	0.0%
Impervious Area (per thousand square feet)	\$0.34	\$0.33	(\$0.005)	-1.5%
Typical monthly residential bill	\$53.33	\$56.52	\$3.19	6.0%

Monthly Residential Sewer and Stormwater Bills

(** denotes utilities subject to EPA Combined Sewer Overflow Control Policy)



Sanitary System Development Charge Comparison Charges as of May 15, 2011

