



In 1980 the Arizona Department of Water Resources (ADWR) adopted the 1980 Groundwater Code, which set limits on the amount of groundwater that may be withdrawn by public water suppliers.

In 1997, 1998, and 1999 Flowing Wells Irrigation District (District) pumped more groundwater for domestic use than was allocated by the ADWR and the District was notified that it could be assessed a "monetary penalty" or could enter into a Stipulation Agreement with ADWR.

The District felt it was unfair to those customers who are conservative in their water usage throughout the year to pay a penalty. As a result, the District entered into a Stipulation Agreement with ADWR and adopted a conservation based water rate structure which became effective November 1, 1999 and included a Summer Excess Charge.

The following rate schedule was adopted by the Board of Directors and became effective August 1, 2023. If you would like more information and materials on how to conserve water at your home or business, visit the District business office or call us at (520) 887-4192.

If you would like further information specific to your individual property, please contact the business office.

### RATE EXAMPLE

Customer uses 12,000 gallons

New Rate

Base rate (3/4" meter)	13.37	
Plus 12,000 gallons @ 2.65/1,000 gallons		<u>31.80</u>
<b>Total Bill</b>		<b><u>45.17</u></b> (exclusive of tax)



### EXAMPLE OF SUMMER EXCESS CHARGE

Customer's average winter consumption (November – April) = 10,000 gallons

Winter Average	=	10,000 gallons
10,000 gallons x 10%	=	<u>1,000 gallons</u>
		11,000 gallons allowed at commodity rate

Customer's actual July consumption = 15,000 gallons

Base rate (3/4" meter)	13.37	
11,000 @ 2.65		<u>29.15</u>
		42.52 sub-total

Summer Excess Charge Computation:

Actual July usage of 15,000 gallons less 11,000 regular commodity rate gallons = 4,000 summer excess gallons to be computed at 3.55/thousand (2.65/thousand regular commodity rate, plus 0.90 thousand summer excess charge.)

4,000 gallons @ 3.55/thousand	14.20	
<b>Total Bill</b>		<b><u>56.72</u></b> (exclusive of tax)