



UTILITY DISTRICT

Lakehaven Utility District

King County Metro Wastewater Customers

May 6, 2009

Who is affected?

- Lakehaven collects sewage from 870 residential sewer customers for treatment by King County's Wastewater Treatment Division

Metro Rates Higher than LUD

- Effective January 1, 2009, King County increased treatment charge to Lakehaven per customer is \$31.90 per month
- New Metro customers will pay an additional \$47.64/month in connection charges (proposed increase to \$49.07 in 2010)
- Average Lakehaven wastewater bill to residential customers is \$24.73 per month
- Costs for these customers in excess of billings are borne by other Lakehaven customers

Estimated 2009 Financial Impact

	Annual Total	Per Customer	Per Month
Customer Charges	\$258,138	\$297	\$24.73
King County Charges	-\$333,036	-383	-\$31.90
Collection Costs (*)	-\$65,662	-\$75	-\$6.29
Shortfall	-\$140,560	-\$161	-\$13.46

* = *Collection Costs are estimated at 18.9% of total wastewater costs.*

Planned Rate Increases to Eliminate Shortfall

- Effective July 1, 2009, Lakehaven customers within Metro Service Area will be charged
 - Additional \$3.00/month base charge
 - Additional \$0.52/ccf usage charge
- This is an average increase of \$6.64/month
- Additional rate increases planned January 2010 to make collections = costs

Comparative Rates

- **Auburn**
 - \$42.92/month (includes \$31.90/month for customers in Metro service area)
- **Kent**
 - \$44.89/month (includes \$31.90/month for customers in Metro service area)
- **Tacoma**
 - \$57.96/month
- **Renton**
 - \$72.81/month
- **Tukwila**
 - \$43.54/month (includes \$31.90/month for customers in Metro service area)
- **Lakehaven (effective 7/1/2009)**
 - \$31.37/month

Option

- Customers in affected service area can petition King County to have sewage treated by Lakehaven.

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History of King County Charges and Lakehaven Average Bills

Year	King County	Lakehaven
1994	\$15.90/mo	\$14.15/mo
1995	\$17.95	\$17.62
1996	\$19.10	\$17.62
1997	\$19.10	\$17.62
1998	\$19.10	\$19.11
1999	\$19.10	\$20.04
2000	\$19.50	\$21.65
2001	\$19.75	\$21.65
2002	\$23.40	\$21.65
2003	\$23.40	\$21.65
2004	\$23.40	\$21.65
2005	\$25.60	\$21.65
2006	\$25.60	\$21.65
2007	\$27.95	\$21.65
2008	\$27.95	\$22.91