

Benchland Water District

Since 1976

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DISTRICT COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE PROPOSED 2025 PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

- 1. Up to 50% increase in parts (pipe, valves and brass fittings)
- 2. Material costs up over 50% (road base, asphalt and concrete)
- 3. Labor costs up over 5%
- 4. Fuel costs up over 20%
- 5. Cost to maintain existing meters up 100% (never had any costs associated with meters until now)
- 6. Cost of loan payments associated with installing new water meters up 100% (never had any costs associated with meters until now)
 - a. Loan Amount \$770,000 in 2020 (\$85,579.60 Annually)
 - b. Loan Amount \$2,838,230 in 2023 (\$188,800.00 Annually)
 - c. Loan Amount \$2,830,000 in 2025 (\$210,520.00) Annually)
- 7. Cost have increased on Contractors bids on capital projects required by the State of Utah to update the existing system.
- 8. Costs have increased to purchase water (Weber Basin)
 - a. 2018- \$110,000
 - b. 2023 \$398,000
 - c. 2024 \$436,000
- 9. Cost to purchase equipment & vehicles up 25% to 40%
- 10. No annual use fees increase for the 2025 Water Year.
- 11. Cancellation of Weber Basin Operation and Maintenance Contract servicing their West Farmington and Centerville customers. \$240,000 in lost revenue.
- 12. To maintain our current level of service.
- 13. Engineering cost and legal cost to obtain meter grants, loans and bonds.
- 14. All new connections pay a Impact Fee which can't be used for any Operation and Maintenance Costs.
- 15. New data communication between water meters. Designed to manage the use of secondary water for customer information. 100% increase cost to the District.
- 16. The District is required by current state law to complete metering of our secondary system by January 1, 2030.