



St. Lucie West Services District

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TO OUR VALUED CUSTOMERS,

St. Lucie West Services District (SLWSD) provides this newsletter to keep our customers aware of any upcoming projects, ongoing project updates, district accomplishments, and any important messages.

The District's Board of Supervisors and Staff are committed to providing quality service!

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Rate Information:

The December bill will reflect a 5% Utilities Rate Increase effective 11/1/23. SLWSD experienced substantial increases in cost in Water & Wastewater Treatment Chemicals, Water & Wastewater Treatment Operational Supplies, and Property & Casualty Insurance. SLWSD performs an Annual Rate Sufficiency Study to determine operational and capital improvement costs. This rate increase was recommended to meet expenses for Fiscal Year 2024 "FY24".

The Non-Ad Valorem (Special) Assessment for Fiscal Year 2024 will include the Benefit Assessment for the Water Management System (Bond) which will remain at \$208.84 per unit and the Maintenance Assessment which helps with additional stormwater maintenance including wetlands, preserves, and landscape improvements throughout SLWSD will increase from \$126.00 to \$146.00 per unit.

Planned SLWSD Projects for FY24:

- Sewer pump/lift station restoration project effort will continue throughout the next several years to ensure that all stations are upgraded.
- Planning the final phase to complete the Storm Water Ditch Piping next to the US Post Office.
- Design, permit, and engineering to automate the 4C Stormwater gate.
- Continue working with the City of Port St. Lucie on the Lake Harvey Passive Park and landscape plan.
- Lake Charles Irrigation Pump Station Replacement Project.
- New redundant injection well permitting and engineering for the Water Treatment Plant.
- New water meter change out to provide customer interface.

Comparison of Monthly Bill vs. Neighboring Utilities

Comparison of Monthly Residential Combined Water and Sewer Bill @ 5,000 gallons

