



2025 Cost of Service Study SUMMARY

The effect of this analysis was to accurately adjust the revenue requirements for all customer groups. The analysis recommended monthly and gallonage charge modifications for all customer groups, effective March 1, 2026. Medford Water's last rate action went into effect on March 1, 2025.

The proposed water consumption rates (per 1,000 gallons) and monthly charges are as follows:

INSIDE CUSTOMERS:		<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
Residential Gallonage/Mo:	0 – 5,000	\$1.19	\$1.35
	6,000-25,000	\$2.15	\$2.44
	Over 25,000	\$3.12	\$3.54
Non-Residential Gallonage Blocks:	Summer	\$2.12	\$2.41
	Winter	\$1.92	\$2.21
Typical Residential Monthly Charge (12K gal & ¾" meter)		\$41.88/mo	\$47.55/mo
OUTSIDE CUSTOMERS:		<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
Residential Gallonage/Mo:	0 – 5,000	\$1.74	\$1.97
	6,000-25,000	\$3.17	\$3.60
	Over 25,000	\$4.65	\$5.28
Non-Residential Gallonage Blocks:	Summer	\$2.81	\$3.19
	Winter	\$2.61	\$2.99
Typical Residential Monthly Charge (12K gal & ¾" meter)		\$59.93/mo	\$68.04/mo
DISTRICTS:		<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
Gallonage Blocks:	Summer	\$0.97	\$1.28
	Winter	\$0.77	\$1.08
PARTNER CITIES:		<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
Gallonage Blocks:	Summer	\$1.12	\$1.42
	Winter	\$0.92	\$1.22
Bulk Water Dispenser:		<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
Gallonage Charge:		\$5.39	\$5.39

Schedule 1

Rates Effective: March 1, 2026

Fire Standby Service Inside City of Medford

Application:

This rate schedule shall apply to all fire standby services within the City of Medford as permitted under the Regulations Governing Water Service

Base Charge	Line Size	Present Rates	Rates Eff. 03/01/26
1) Normal Monthly Fee	2"	\$22.83	\$25.94
<i>Per Service by Line Size; per month</i>	4"	51.43	58.44
	6"	93.88	106.67
	8"	141.50	160.78
	10"	213.15	242.19
	12"	320.99	364.72

Schedule 2C

Rates Effective: March 1, 2026

Nonresidential & Multi-Family Inside City of Medford

Application:

This rate schedule shall apply to all accounts within the city limits of Medford except single family residential; shall apply to all schools, hospitals, churches, commercials, and industrials

Base Charge	Meter Size	Present Rates	Rates Eff. 03/01/26
1) Normal Monthly Fee	5/8"x3/4"	\$20.88	\$23.72
	1"	32.73	37.18
	1/1/2"	67.01	76.12
	2"	100.07	113.68
	3"	198.63	225.65
	4"	310.72	352.98
	6"	595.24	676.20
	8"	914.92	1,039.36
	10"	1,395.47	1,585.28
2) Special Fees			
a) High Elevation Water Service Charge		\$5.46	\$6.00
<i>Per month, per meter; surcharge where booster pumping is provided</i>			

Consumption Charges

1) Water Gallonage Charge			
<i>all gallonage, per 1,000 gallons</i>			
<u>Blocks</u>			
Summer - Water Billed during April through Sept.		\$2.12	\$2.41
Winter - Water Billed during October through March.		1.92	2.21
2) High Elevation Water Gallonage Surcharge		\$0.10	\$0.12
<i>per 1,000 gallons, for service above elevation 1,500 where booster pumping is provided by the utility, for each 150 feet in elevation or additional fraction thereof</i>			

Schedule 2R

Rates Effective: March 1, 2026

Single Family Residential (Metered) Inside City of Medford

Application:

This rate schedule shall apply to all single-family residences within the City of Medford and to individual apartments in apartment houses in Medford where service is furnished through a separate meter for each such individual apartment

Base Charge	Meter Size	Present Rates	Rates Eff. 03/01/26
1) Normal Monthly Fee	5/8"x3/4"	\$20.88	\$23.72
	1"	32.73	37.18
	1/1/2"	67.01	76.12
	2"	100.07	113.68
2) Special Fees			
a) High Elevation Water Service Charge <i>Per month, per meter; surcharge where booster pumping is provided</i>		\$5.46	\$6.00
b) Residential Backflow Monthly Fee <i>per month</i>		\$0.90	\$0.90
Consumption Charges			
1) Water Gallonage Charge <i>Per month, per 1,000 gallons</i>			
0 - 5,000		\$1.19	\$1.35
6,000 - 25,000		2.15	2.44
> 25,000		3.12	3.54
2) High Elevation Water Gallonage Surcharge <i>per 1,000 gallons, for service above elevation 1,500 where booster pumping is provided by the utility, for each 150 feet in elevation or additional fraction thereof</i>		\$0.10	\$0.12

Schedule 3

Rates Effective: March 1, 2026

**Fire Standby Service
Outside City of Medford**

Application:

This rate schedule shall apply to all fire standby services outside the City of Medford as permitted under the Regulations Governing Water Service

Base Charge	Line Size	Present Rates	Rates Eff. 03/01/26
1) Normal Monthly Fee	2"	\$33.47	\$38.03
<i>Per Service by Line Size; per month</i>	4"	73.75	83.80
	6"	133.79	152.02
	8"	198.04	225.02
	10"	294.96	335.15
	12"	439.25	499.09

Schedule 4C

Rates Effective: March 1, 2026

**Nonresidential & Multi-Family
Outside City of Medford**

Application:

This rate schedule shall apply to all accounts except single family residential accounts and those classified as utility or other city customers, outside the City of Medford - to all schools, hospitals, churches, commercials, and industrials - in accordance with the Regulations Governing Water Service and except fire standby service

Base Charge	Meter Size	Present Rates	Rates Eff. 03/01/26
1) Normal Monthly Fee	5/8"x3/4"	\$29.04	\$32.99
	1"	48.28	54.84
	1/1/2"	97.08	110.28
	2"	142.97	162.41
	3"	300.29	341.14
	4"	456.34	518.41
	6"	859.21	976.08
	8"	1,293.50	1,469.44
	10"	1,946.26	2,210.99
2) Special Fees			
	a) High Elevation Water Service Charge <i>Per month, per meter; surcharge where booster pumping is provided</i>	\$6.21	\$6.82
	b) Service from Big Butte Springs Pipelines Surcharge <i>per meter, per month</i>	\$5.13	\$5.13
	c) Service from Big Butte Springs Pipelines Surcharge <i>per meter, per month, with backflow</i>	\$12.73	\$12.73
Consumption Charges			
1) Water Gallonage Charge <i>all gallonage, per 1,000 gallons</i>			
	<u>Blocks</u>		
	Summer - Water Billed during April through Sept.	\$2.81	\$3.19
Winter - Water billed during October through March	2.61	2.99	
2) High Elevation Water Gallonage Surcharge <i>per 1,000 gallons, for service above elevation 1,500 where booster pumping is provided by the utility, for each 150 feet in elevation or additional fraction thereof</i>			
		\$0.10	\$0.12

Schedule 4R

Rates Effective: March 1, 2026

Single Family Residential Outside City of Medford

Application:

This rate schedule shall apply to all residential accounts outside the City of Medford except to accounts classified as utility or city customers in accordance with the Regulations Governing Water Service and except fire standby service

Base Charge	Meter Size	Present Rates	Rates Eff. 03/01/26
1) Normal Monthly Fee	5/8"x3/4"	\$29.04	\$32.99
	1"	48.28	54.84
	1/1/2"	97.08	110.28
	2"	142.97	162.41
	3"	300.29	341.14
	4"	456.34	518.41
	6"	859.21	976.08
	8"	1,293.50	1,469.44
	10"	1,946.26	2,210.99
2) Special Fees			
a) High Elevation Water Service Charge <i>Per month, per meter; surcharge where booster pumping is provided</i>		\$6.21	\$6.82
b) Service from Big Butte Springs Pipelines Surcharge <i>per meter, per month</i>		\$5.13	\$5.13
c) Service from Big Butte Springs Pipeline Surcharge <i>per meter, per month, with backflow</i>		\$12.73	\$12.73
d) Residential Backflow Monthly Fee <i>per meter, per month</i>		\$0.90	\$0.90
Consumption Charges			
1) Water Gallonage Charge <i>Per month, per 1,000 gallons</i>			
0 - 5,000		\$1.74	\$1.97
6,000 - 25,000		3.17	3.60
> 25,000		4.65	5.28
2) High Elevation Water Gallonage Surcharge <i>per 1,000 gallons, for service above elevation 1,500 where booster pumping is provided by the utility, for each 150 feet in elevation or additional fraction thereof</i>		\$0.10	\$0.12

Schedule 5

Rates Effective: March 1, 2026

District Customers

Application:

This rate schedule shall apply to domestic water districts incorporated under Oregon State Statutes or private corporations organized for the provision of water service to 15

Base Charge		Meter Size	Present Rates	Rates Eff. 03/01/26
1)	Normal Monthly Fee	5/8"x3/4"	\$11.85	\$15.59
		1"	18.68	24.58
		1/1/2"	38.75	50.98
		2"	58.49	76.95
		3"	110.47	145.34
		4"	177.96	234.13
		6"	344.99	453.87
		8"	539.45	709.71
		10"	831.43	1,093.84
2)	Special Fees			
	a) Residential Backflow Monthly Fee		\$0.90	\$0.90
	b) Fire Service by Detector Check Size	2"	\$11.72	\$12.26
		4"	30.05	39.48
		6"	55.07	72.36
		8"	84.19	110.62
		10"	127.90	168.05

Consumption Charges

1)	Water Gallonage Charge			
	<i>for all water measured by the master meters supplying the utility customers, or in the absence of master meters, the total of the gallonage used by the individual users within the service area of the utility customer plus 6 percent thereof. All gallonage, per 1,000</i>			
	<u>Blocks</u>			
	Summer - Water Billed during April through Sept.		\$0.97	\$1.28
	Winter - Water Billed during October through March.		0.77	1.08

Schedule 6

Rates Effective: March 1, 2026

Partner Cities

Application:

This rate schedule shall apply to incorporated cities purchasing water from the commission as defined by the Regulations Governing Water Service

Base Charge	Meter Size	Present Rates	Rates Eff. 03/01/26
1) Normal Monthly Fee	2"	\$101.21	\$128.34
	3"	191.32	242.60
	4"	296.90	376.49
	6"	545.94	692.28
	8"	836.09	1,060.21
	10"	1,272.41	1,613.49

Consumption Charges

1) Water Gallonage Charge

All gallonage, per 1,000 gallons.

Blocks

Summer - Water Billed during April through Sept.	\$1.12	\$1.42
Winter - Water billed during October through March	0.92	1.22

Schedule 7

Rates Effective: March 1, 2026

Intermittent Users

Application:

This rate schedule shall apply to all customers that are served on an intermittent basis (e.g., golf course irrigation systems)

Base Charge	Present Rates	Rates Eff. 03/01/26
1) Normal Monthly Fee		
a) Base charge will be based on the meter size for the appropriate customer class		
2) Special Fees		
a) High Elevation Water Service Charge <i>Surcharge where booster pumping is provided; per month per meter</i>	\$6.21	\$6.82
b) Residential Backflow Monthly Fee	\$0.90	\$0.90
Consumption Charges		
1) Water Gallonage Charge		
Summer - Water Billed during April through Sept.	\$2.81	\$3.19
Winter - Water Billed during October through March	\$2.61	\$2.99
2) Special Charges		
a) High Elevation Water Gallonage Surcharge <i>per 1,000 gallons, for service above elevation 1,500 where booster pumping is provided by the utility, for each 150 feet in elevation or additional fraction thereof</i>	\$0.10	\$0.12

Schedule 8

Rates Effective: March 1, 2026

Special Outside Customers Outside City of Medford

Application:

This rate schedule shall apply to all accounts receiving service from the Medford Water Commission connected through a master meter serving more than one residential unit have not paid a System Development Charge and approved for receiving of water service by the Board of Water Commissioners in accordance to the standards as set forth in Resolution No. 1058, and in accordance with the Regulations Governing Water Service

Base Charge	Meter Size	Present Rates	Rates Eff. 03/01/26
1) Normal Monthly Fee	5/8"x3/4"	\$29.04	\$32.99
	1"	48.28	54.84
	1/1/2"	97.08	110.28
	2"	142.97	162.41
	3"	300.29	341.14
	4"	456.34	518.41
	6"	859.21	976.08
	8"	1,293.50	1,469.44
	10"	1,946.26	2,210.99
2) Special Fees			
a) High Elevation Water Service Charge <i>Per month, per meter; surcharge where booster pumping is provided</i>		\$6.21	\$6.82
b) Service from Big Butte Springs Pipelines Surcharge <i>per meter, per month</i>		\$5.13	\$5.13
c) Service from Big Butte Springs Pipeline Surcharge <i>per meter, per month, with backflow</i>		\$12.73	\$12.73
d) Residential Backflow Monthly Fee <i>per meter, per month</i>		\$0.90	\$0.90
Consumption Charges			
1) Water Gallonage Charge <i>All gallonage, per 1,000 gallons.</i>			
Summer - Water Billed during April through Sept.		\$3.44	\$3.96
Winter - Water billed during October through March		3.13	3.60
2) Special Charges			
a) High Elevation Water Gallonage Surcharge <i>per 1,000 gallons, for service above elevation 1,500 where booster pumping is provided by the utility, for each 150 feet in elevation or additional fraction thereof</i>		\$0.10	\$0.12

Schedule 9

Rates Effective: March 1, 2026

Irrigation Inside City of Medford

Application:

This rate schedule shall apply to all accounts within the city limits of Medford for Irrigation Customers

Base Charge	Meter Size	Present Rates	Rates Eff. 03/01/25
1) Normal Monthly Fee	5/8"x3/4"	\$20.88	\$23.72
	1"	32.73	37.18
	1/1/2"	67.01	76.12
	2"	100.07	113.68
	3"	198.63	225.65
	4"	310.72	352.98
	6"	595.24	676.20
	8"	914.92	1,039.36
	10"	1,395.47	1,585.28
2) Special Fees			
a) High Elevation Water Service Charge		\$5.46	\$6.00
<i>Per month, per meter; surcharge where booster pumping is provided</i>			
Consumption Charges			
1) Water Gallonage Charge			
<i>all gallonage, per 1,000 gallons</i>			
All Consumption		\$2.12	\$2.41
2) High Elevation Water Gallonage Surcharge		\$0.10	\$0.12
<i>per 1,000 gallons, for service above elevation 1,500 where booster pumping is provided by the utility, for each 150 feet in elevation or additional fraction thereof</i>			

Schedule 10

Rates Effective: March 1, 2026

**Irrigation
Outside City of Medford**

Application:

This rate schedule shall apply to all irrigation accounts outside Medford City limits

Base Charge	Meter Size	Present Rates	Rates Eff. 03/01/25
1) Normal Monthly Fee	5/8"x3/4"	\$29.04	\$32.99
	1"	48.28	54.84
	1/1/2"	97.08	110.28
	2"	142.97	162.41
	3"	300.29	341.14
	4"	456.34	518.41
	6"	859.21	976.08
	8"	1,293.50	1,469.44
	10"	1,946.26	2,210.99
2) Special Fees			
a) High Elevation Water Service Charge <i>Per month, per meter; surcharge where booster pumping is provided</i>		\$6.21	\$6.82
b) Service from Big Butte Springs Pipelines Surcharge <i>per meter, per month</i>		\$5.13	\$5.13
c) Service from Big Butte Springs Pipelines Surcharge <i>per meter, per month, with backflow</i>		\$12.73	\$12.73
Consumption Charges			
1) Water Gallonage Charge <i>all gallonage, per 1,000 gallons</i>			
All Consumption		\$2.81	\$3.19
2) High Elevation Water Gallonage Surcharge <i>per 1,000 gallons, for service above elevation 1,500 where booster pumping is provided by the utility, for each 150 feet in elevation or additional fraction thereof</i>		\$0.10	\$0.12

Schedule 11

Rates Effective: March 1, 2026

Service Center Bulk Water Sales Dispenser

Application:

This rate schedule shall apply to the sale of bulk water from Medford Water's dispenser located at the City of Medford Service Center, at 821 N. Columbus Ave., Medford Oregon 97501.

Consumption Charges	Present Rate	Rates Eff. 03/01/26
1) Water Gallonage Charge <i>All gallonage, per 1,000 gallons.</i>	\$5.39	\$5.39