

St Tammany Parish Water District #3
St Tammany Parish, Sewerage District #1
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The Water Board and the Sewer Board will each be raising their fees by \$10.00/month. The new combined water and sewer bill will be \$105.00. The new rate will be starting in March of 2023.

It has been several years since there has been a rate increase. Due to inflation, ongoing repairs, and system upgrades; the rate increase is necessary for the water and sewer districts to continue to provide water and sewer service to the homeowners.

For the Sewer District, this decision was necessary based on:

- The Sewer district currently does not meet the minimum financial requirement for the debt service ratio set by the state. This forces a rate increase.
- Inflation; cost to run the Sewer Treatment Plant and lift stations continue to rise. For example, the current electrical cost in 2022 are 24% higher.
- Loan payments for the rehabilitation project completed in 2020.
- Increase repairs and higher costs for repairs. The collection system is old and mainly constructed with terra cotta pipes, which need constant repair.
- Upgrades to sewer system. The electrical system at the treatment plant will be upgraded in 2023, cost ~\$7,000.00. Government mandated installation of an SO₂ injection system, in the next two years at an estimated cost of \$20,000.

For more information on the Water and Sewer Boards please see:

Water Board: <http://www.waterdistrict3.com>.

Sewer Board: <https://sewerdistrict1.com>.