

## North Wales Water Authority

*Serving Public Water in Bucks and Montgomery Counties*

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### NWWA Again Confirmed To Offer Best Water Rates In The Region

An independent water rate study recently released by Schwenksville Borough Authority has confirmed that NWWA water customers continue to enjoy the lowest rates charged anywhere in our region. The report, dated April 26/2021, includes a comparison of water rates currently charged by 34 regional providers, based upon an average consumption of 5,000 gallons per month.

Based upon this “apples to apples” analysis, water costs ranged from a high of \$100.00 per month – to a low of \$23.00 per month – being our NWWA rate!

Another interesting fact confirmed by the study is the great disparity between privately owned “for-profit” water systems versus systems publicly owned and operated – such as the NWWA. The report confirms that the highest water rates charged are by privately held companies, and not just by a little, but by a wide margin. In our case, over 400% higher than the NWWA.

According to Robert C. Bender, NWWA Executive Director; “*The NWWA has managed to keep the lowest water rates in our region by employing good business practices throughout all of our operations.*” He went on to explain; “*The NWWA has a long standing policy of careful and well planned growth in slowly adding new customers to our system. This has allowed us to capture the inherent economies of scale in both purchasing and operations. We have also continued to train our staff to constantly improve our efficiencies and competence in operating the system. Lastly, we have continued to seek ways to reduce our costs by public bidding, participation in consortium purchasing programs, and by refinancing all debt service whenever lower interest rates are available to save our customers money.*”

Bender went on to note that the lowest rates do not equate to lower quality, noting that the NWWA – Forest Park Water Treatment Plant has been awarded numerous State and National

Awards for excellence – including the prestigious AWWA Presidents Award, for many years. This achievement indicates that the facility – owned and operated jointly by the NWWA and NPWA, is in the top echelon of all water treatment plants in the entire country.

You can learn more about the Forest Park Water Treatment Plant by visiting our web site at [nwwater.com/go/fpw](http://nwwater.com/go/fpw).

While noting that a modest rate increase will eventually be needed, Bender noted that after 25 years of offering the lowest rates while maintaining a record of providing high quality water, it is clear that the NWWA intends to continue as one of the best water providers, *anywhere*.

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Average Use Per Month (Gal) 5,000

### Water Rate Comparison

System	Monthly Charge	Percent Above or Below Median
Upper Makefiled Township - Enclave	\$ 100.00	162.0%
Limerick Township (PA-American Zone 1)	\$ 81.86	114.4%
Royersford Borough (PA American Zone 1)	\$ 81.86	114.4%
Aqua Pennsylvania Zone 1	\$ 80.25	110.2%
Upper Frederick Township (Aqua Rate Zone 2)	\$ 80.25	110.2%
New Hanover Township (Aqua Rate Zone 2)	\$ 80.25	110.2%
Buckingham Water District 2	\$ 67.10	75.8%
Downingtown Municipal Water Authority	\$ 66.50	74.2%
Horsham Water & Sewer Authority	\$ 56.73	48.6%
Upper Hanover Authority	\$ 55.33	44.9%
Morrisville Municipal Authority	\$ 48.15	26.1%
<b>Schwenksville Borough Authority</b>	<b>\$ 44.43</b>	<b>16.4%</b>
Northampton Bucks County Municipal Authority	\$ 42.75	12.0%
Newtown Artesian Water Company	\$ 42.02	10.1%
Perkasie Regional Authority	\$ 41.83	9.6%
Warminster Township Municipal Authority	\$ 39.38	3.2%
Upper Southampton Municipal Authority	\$ 38.29	0.3%
Pottstown Borough Authority (Outside Borough)	\$ 38.06	-0.3%
Pottstown Borough Authority (Inside Borough)	\$ 37.39	-2.0%
North Penn Water Authority - Main System	\$ 37.36	-2.1%
Telford Borough Authority	\$ 36.00	-5.7%
Doylestown Township Municipal Authority	\$ 35.92	-5.9%
Upper Frederick Township (Municipal)	\$ 32.25	-15.5%
BCWSA Zone 1	\$ 31.83	-16.6%
Bedminster Municipal Authority	\$ 31.82	-16.7%
Buckingham Water District 1	\$ 31.40	-17.7%
North Penn Water Auth - Sellersville	\$ 29.55	-22.6%
Township of Falls Authority	\$ 29.03	-23.9%
Warwick Township	\$ 28.65	-25.0%
Richland Township Water Authority	\$ 26.67	-30.1%
Hilltown Water & Sewer Auth	\$ 26.27	-31.2%
Doylestown Borough	\$ 23.26	-39.1%
North Wales Water Authority - Main	\$ 23.00	-39.8%
North Wales Water Authority - Warrington	\$ 23.00	-39.8%
Median Value	\$ 38.17	

### Comparison of Monthly Water Service Charges

