



# Public Hearing for 2025 Proposed Operating Budget & Capital Improvements Plan

September 26, 2024

Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District





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- Budget refresher
- Rate impact table
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# Budget Process Steps

A man with a beard, wearing a blue patterned button-down shirt, is smiling and looking down at a laptop. He is in a meeting room with other people seated at tables in the background. The image has a blue tint.

- Estimated charges sent to communities
- Staff present budget to DCCVA E.C.

## **Today**

Public hearing and deliberation

## **October 11**

Deadline to receive written comments;  
submit to [AmandaW@madsewer.org](mailto:AmandaW@madsewer.org)

## **October 17**

Commission deliberation and final  
direction

## **October 31**

Commission adopts 2025 budget & rates



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# 2025 District Budget Proposal

- Budget Drivers
  - Aging infrastructure, population growth, maintenance and staffing needs, loan interest rates
- Mitigating Factors
  - Higher service charge and connection charge revenues, interest earnings, capital fund draw-down



# 2025 District Budget Proposal

- Service Charges
  - \$15.89 per year increase for average household in District-only charges
    - \$1.32 per month
    - 6% higher than 2024
  - \$4.1 million increase in budgeted service charge revenues
    - 7.5% higher than 2024



# Rate Impact Table

	% (\$ ) Change in Annual Household District-Only Charges	% Change in Total Service Charge Revenues
Impact of Proposed Budget >\$59,191,900 in total service charges >\$4.1m increase compared to 2024 budget	6% (\$15.89)	7.5%





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# Emergency + Project Updates

- Nine Springs Valley Interceptor changes to address issues uncovered by sinkhole (~\$1.3m in 2024)
- Timing of two Northeast Interceptor lining projects moved back to ensure staff capacity
- Cost adjustments to two additional projects updated recently in project design
- No changes to proposed 2025 service charges; CIP document will be updated



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# Key Issues from Budget Intro

- Capital fund reserve draw-down timeline and rate variability
- District positions, especially Director of Wastewater Operations and Reliability
- Debt vs. cash financing of projects

The background image shows three workers in safety gear (hard hats, high-visibility vests, and gloves) working on a large, ribbed pipe. One worker on the left is using a handheld device to inspect the pipe. The scene is overlaid with a semi-transparent blue filter.

**Questions?**

**Up Next: Public Hearing**

