

To Blue River Water District Customers.

As our year wraps up at the Blue River Water District, we wanted to say thank you.

Prior to the Holiday Farm Fire there was progress being made to bring the water service into the modern era. The fire has been a hurdle for the community on many levels and brought forth challenges many did not anticipate. Although the fire has reduced our service connections and greatly reduced our income, we have been able to continue to move forward.

We have been proactive in fixing leaks and reducing costs to the district. We have been able to make repairs and address the larger issues that have come up over the past year. Through our efforts and our partnership with the county we have secured funding to rebuild our water district. These funds however are not for operations which is the reason for this letter. With all the positive strides we have made, there is still an outstanding issue. Since the fire has reduced the Water District's customer base and the rebuild of the community remains slow, we have had to make the decision to adjust our billing structure.

We have instituted a meter reading program so that we can track, and charge appropriately based on each household's water use. This format will be used starting January 2022. The rate structure moving forward for residential hook ups will be a monthly service charge of \$25. Water usage will be billed at \$3.50/kgal (K=1000 gal). Our water superintendent will be reading meters monthly, and this usage will be reported on your statement each month. This structure brings the water district's billing more in line with what is being used around the county.

We want to thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions or comments please contact us on our website at Blueriverwaterdistrict.com. Public meetings held the first Wednesday of the month. Zoom invite posted on our Facebook page.

This is not a decision we as board took lightly but a required step to maintain our operations as we continue to build back better.

Respectfully,

Blue River Water District Board