

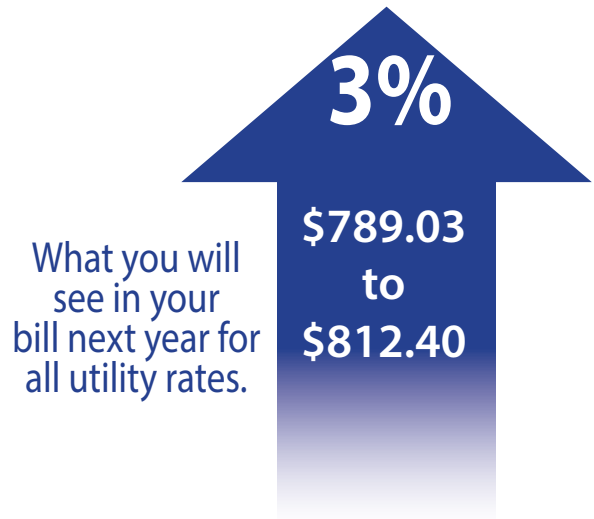
# 2015 PROPOSED UTILITY RATES FOR HIGHLANDS RANCH

The Highlands Ranch Metro District and Centennial Water & Sanitation Districts 2015 budgets include proposed changes to rates charged for **water**, **wastewater services** and the **streetlight fee** that impact customer utility bills. Proposed rate changes for a \*typical single family annual bill are estimated to increase three percent in 2015 from \$789.03 to \$812.40.

## Why are the rates changing?

In addition to adjustments from inflationary pressures, rate changes are also occurring due to the following:

- **Water** - The base water rate is increasing due to programmed adjustments for water acquisition.
- **Wastewater Services** - The wastewater usage rate increase is due to additional maintenance of aging systems needed to preserve operational efficiency.
- **Streetlight Fee** - The streetlight fee increase is a result of energy-related charges from Xcel Energy.



## Water and Wastewater Rate Changes

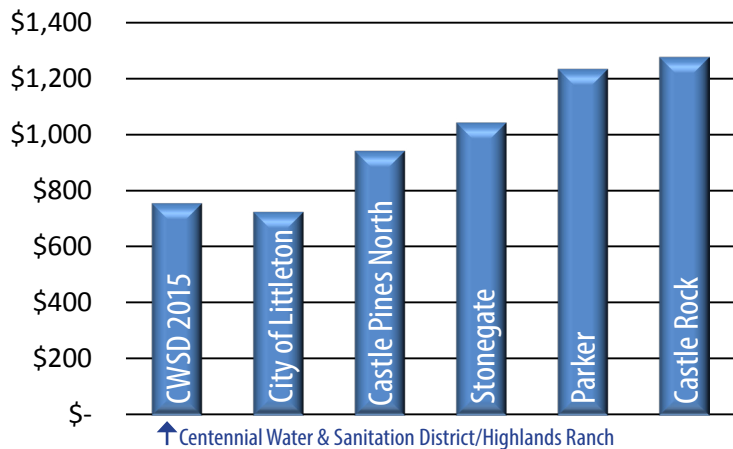
Water and wastewater rates for Highlands Ranch customers remain among the lowest in the Denver Metro area. A comparison of water and wastewater rates can be seen in the chart to the right below.

### The Impact

Rate changes noted below are based on a typical single family residence.

<b>Water</b>	<b>1.7%</b>
<b>Wastewater Services</b>	<b>4%</b>

**\*Typical Single Family Estimated Annual Bill**  
(Based on 2014 water and wastewater charges, except for Centennial Water)



\*Denotes rates for a typical single-family customer. Rates for multi-family and indoor/commercial customers will be adjusted accordingly.

