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Ford City Borough Stormwater Authority Announces Rate Adjustments and Infrastructure Investments

FORD CITY, PA — At its quarterly meeting held on October 27, 2026, the Ford City Borough Stormwater Authority voted unanimously to approve a new rate structure for residential, commercial, and industrial users. These changes are scheduled to take effect on December 1, 2026.

The rate adjustment is driven by several critical factors, including the rising costs of utilities, operations, and the ongoing maintenance of pumps that have exceeded their expected life cycles. Furthermore, the Authority is preparing for significant infrastructure upgrades in 2027. These include the investment in new pumps and modernized electronics at two pump stations, made possible by a recently announced Local Share Account (LSA) grant from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

"These actions ensure that we can maintain our current infrastructure while actively investing in the future of Ford City's stormwater management," said Tyson Klukan, Chairman. "This adjustment places us closer to our target rate, which is a key metric evaluated by state and federal agencies when considering our applications for additional grant opportunities."

Rate Structure Breakdown

The following table outlines the fee adjustments per Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU):

Fee Category	Existing Rate	New Rate (Effective 12/1/26)
O&M Account (Operations & Maintenance)	$5.00	$8.00
Capital Account	$2.00	$2.00
Total Per ERU	**$7.00**	**$10.00**

Billing Data Correction

In addition to the rate change, the Authority has completed a comprehensive review of its billing data in coordination with the Borough. This audit determined that certain residential and commercial properties have not been billed correctly since the inception of the stormwater billing program in 2025.

The Authority has corrected these discrepancies to ensure fairness and accuracy across the service area. These billing adjustments will be reflected in the December billing cycle. Residents or business owners with questions regarding their specific accounts are encouraged to contact the borough office during normal business hours or by emailing the Authority at fcborostormwater@gmail.com.