



MISSOURI
DEPARTMENT OF
NATURAL RESOURCES

FEES AND ME



REGFORM WATER SEMINAR

July 31, 2026

The Reckoning

2025 Cost to Run the Program: \$20,300,945

Fees currently collected annually: \$5,336,439

Full staff / inflation in 2035: \$24,807,767

Federal 106 Grant dollars (2025): \$3,393,000

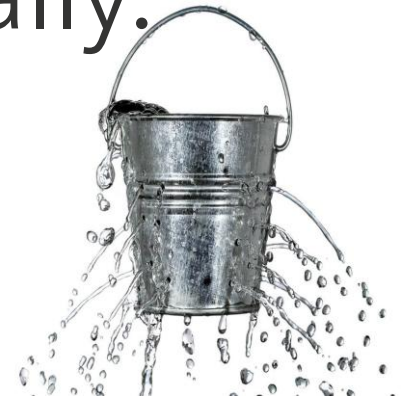
-\$21,414,767



But Tim, $\$5M + \$3M \neq \$20M$! Where's the rest come from?

Answer:

CWSRF's Admin Fee Fund. Used to support the program between \$11M - \$12M annually.



FAC assesses 0.5% administrative fee on loans to POTWs for wastewater infrastructure projects.

Admin fees received are intended to support CWSRF activities including future infrastructure loans.



Most of all permit fee categories (industrial, Ag., domestic, SW, etc.) are paying less than half of cost to program. Admin fees used to support the balance.

Not Fair? Not Legal? Maybe. **But...**



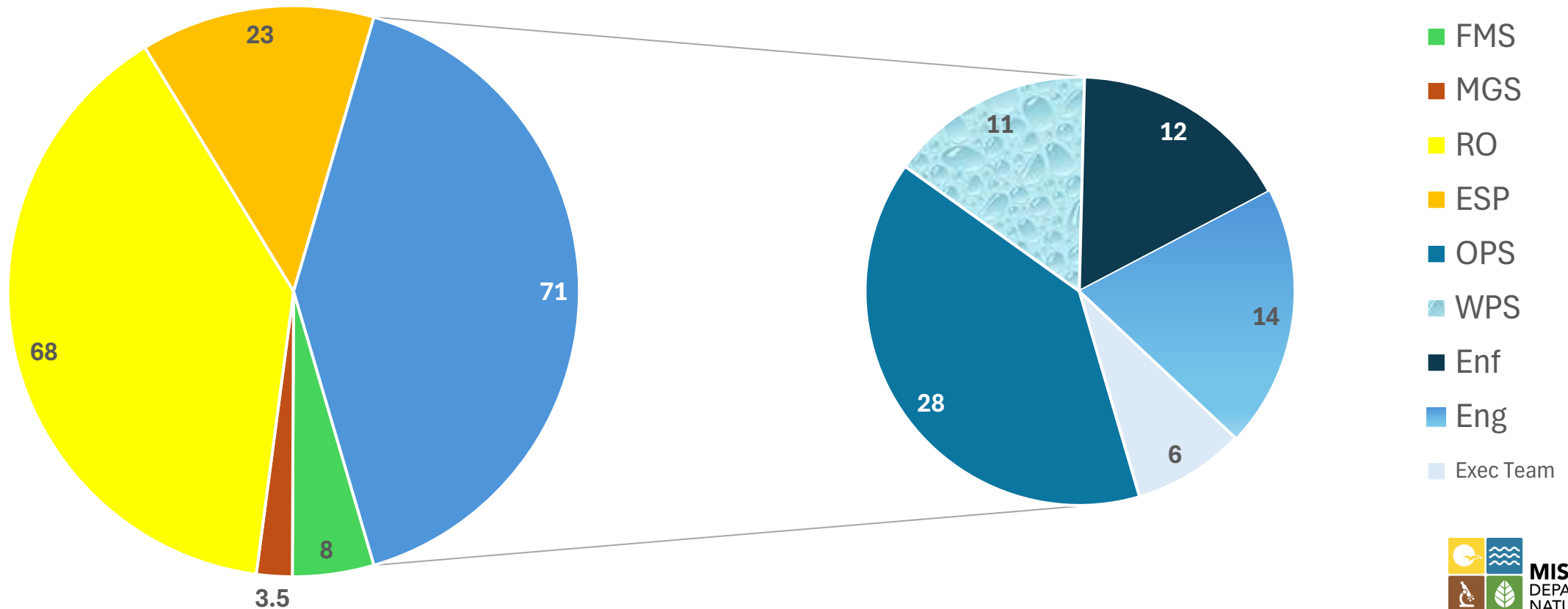
It's not **sustainable!**

Admin fund generates ~\$5M annually.
WPP uses \$11M - \$12M annually.



The 2025 Budget

- \$1,878,147 = Expense & Equipment
- \$2,416,858 = Indirect (IT, facilities management, AGO, support)
- \$16,005,940 = Personal Services (Staff)



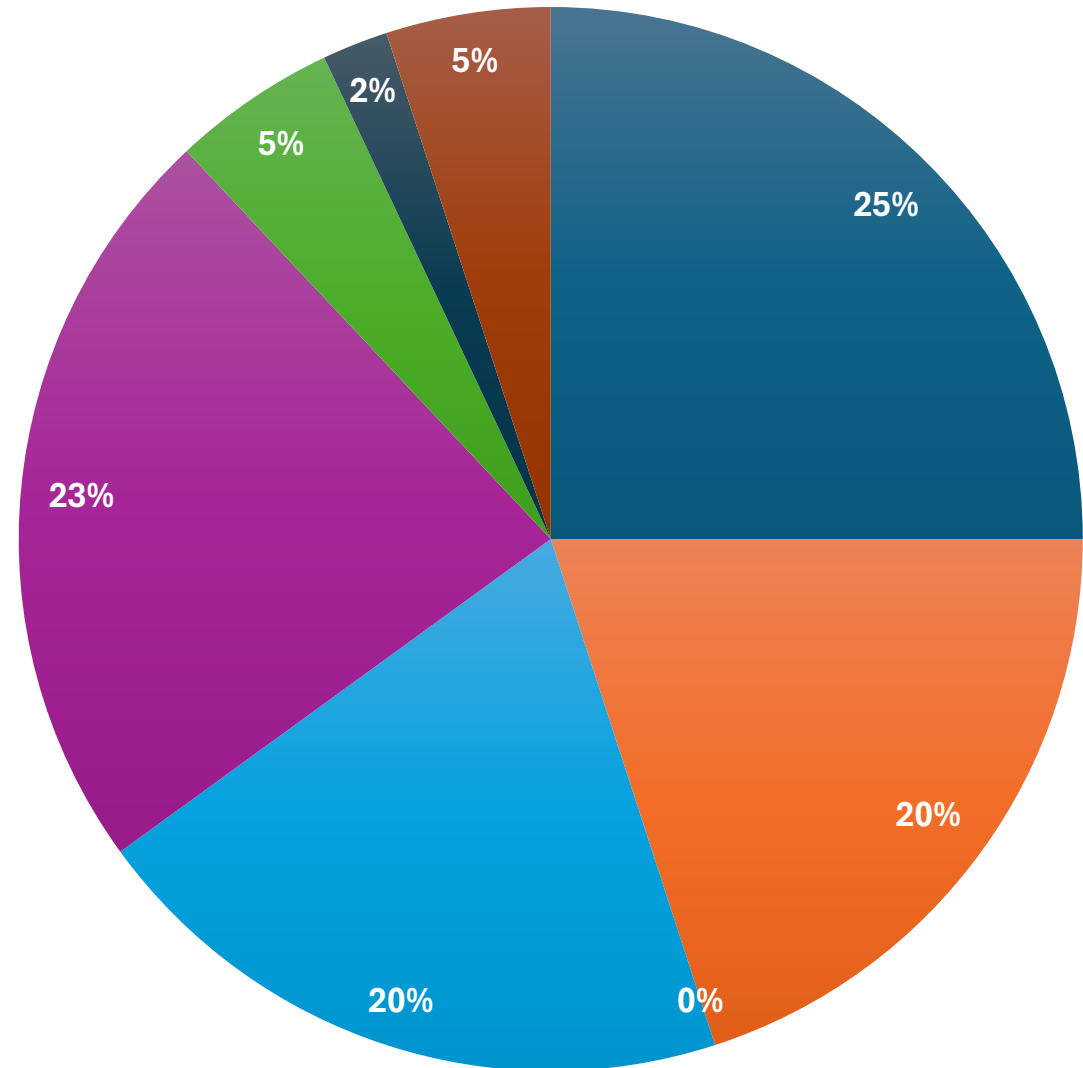
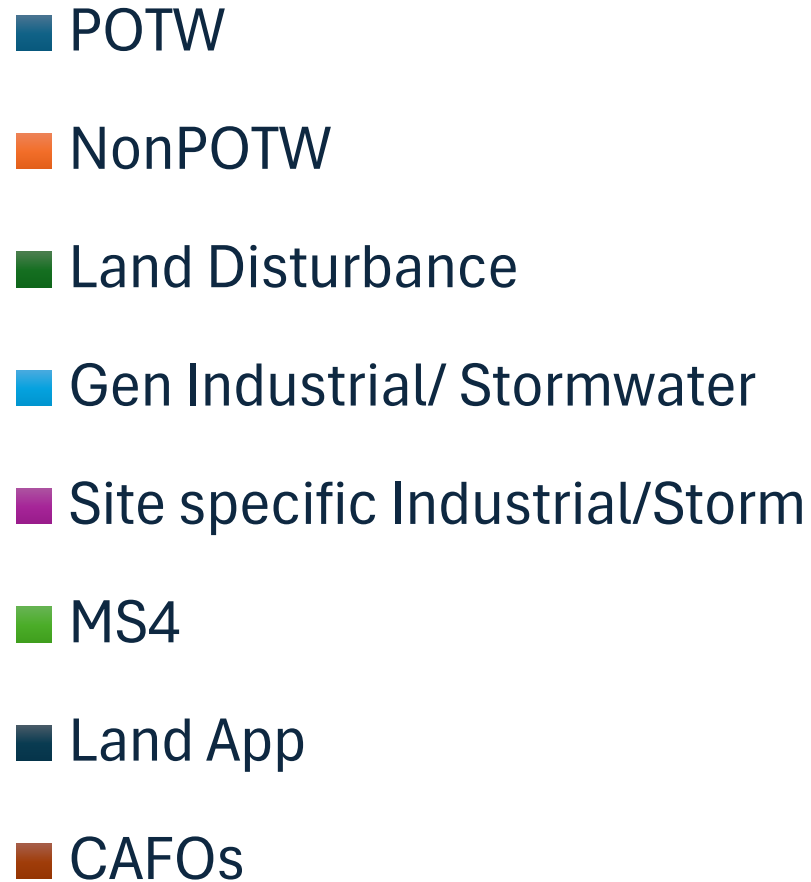
Breakdown of Staff & Cost

- Regional Office & Enforcement = 46%
- Permit, Engineering, Data Management, Exec, MGS = 35%
- Watershed, Chemical Analysis, Monitoring = 19%

In 2035, this means:

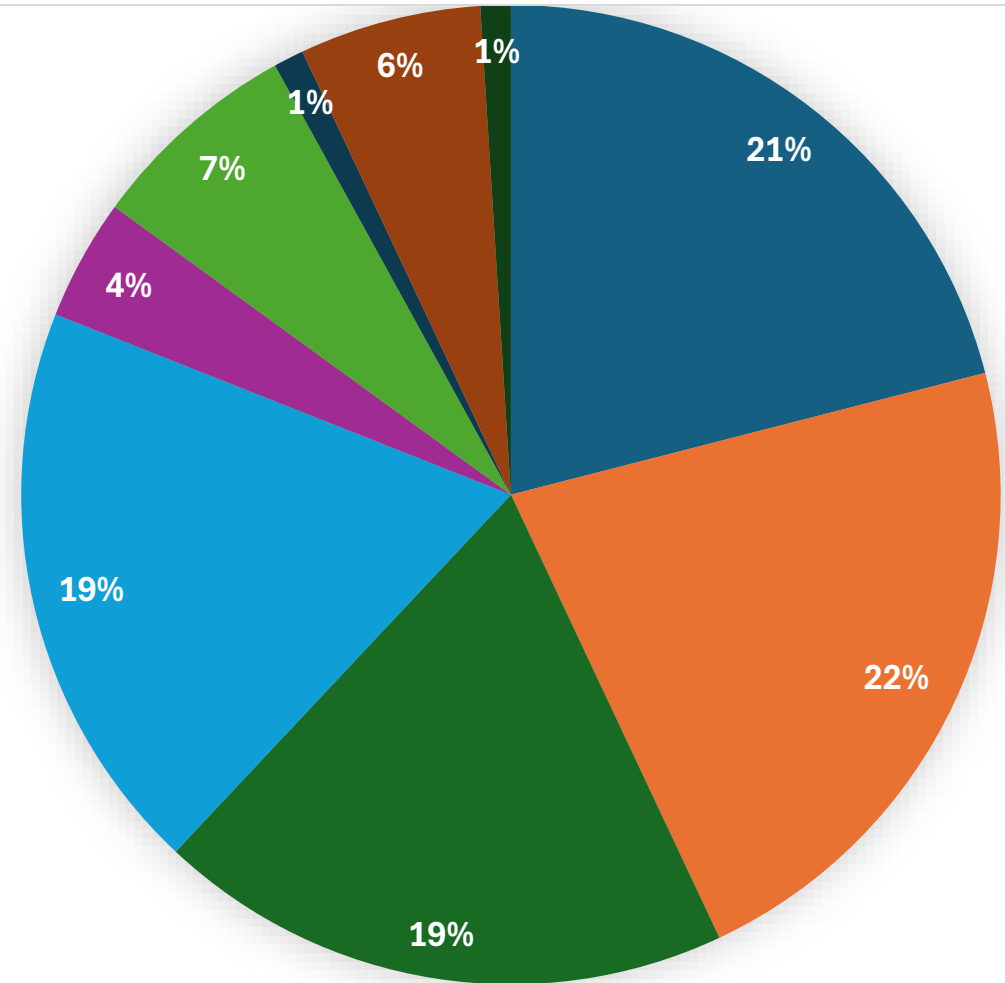
- Regional Office & Enforcement = \$11,767,329
- Permit/ Eng et. al. = \$8,953,403
- Watershed, Chemical Analysis, Monitoring = \$4,860,419

Level of Effort - Permits



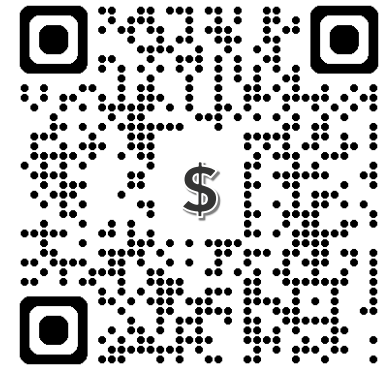
Level of Effort- Inspection

- POTW
- NonPOTW
- Land Disturbance
- Gen Industrial/ Stormwater
- Site specific Industrial/Storm
- MS4
- Land App
- CAFOs
- AFOs



The Fee Concept Development

- Started August 2025
- 18 official meetings
- Plus Forums, RegForm Water Seminar and Industry/Group meetings
- Active, robust stakeholder engagement
- Initial Evaluation
- First concepts- even split among permit types
- Questions, suggestions
- Many concepts considered
- Evolved over time
- Fee Flyers



If we distribute cost evenly within facility type:

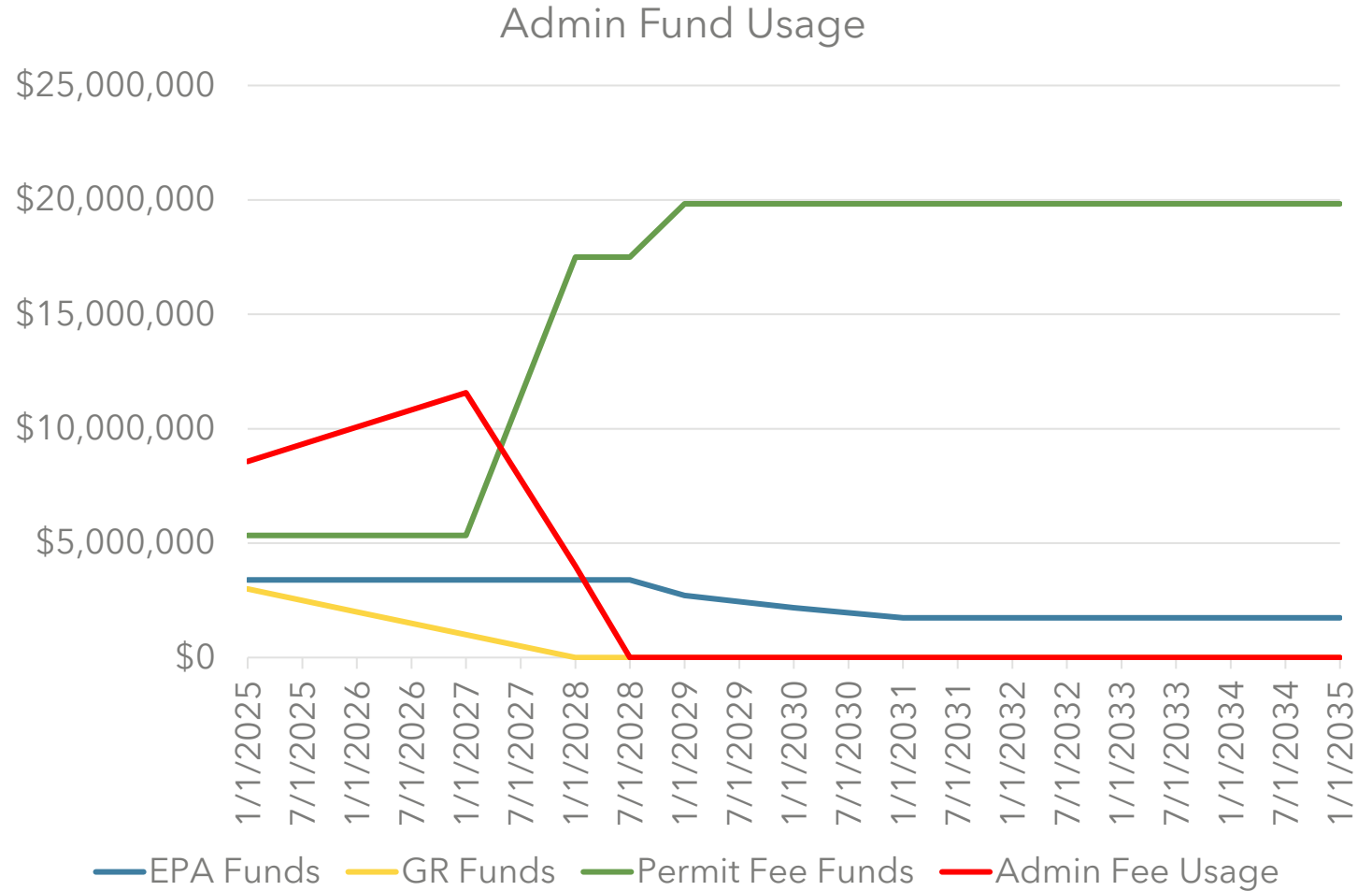
Site/Permit Type	Cost	# of sites	Annual Cost per site
POTW	\$4,709,490	881	\$ 5,345.62
NonPOTW	\$4,379,493	1864	\$ 2,349.51
Land Disturbance	\$2,235,793	4996	\$ 447.52
Gen Industrial/ Stormwater	\$4,026,473	3704	\$ 1,087.06
Site specific Industrial/Storm	\$2,529,976	153	\$ 16,535.79
MS4	\$498,000	166	\$ 3,000 .00
Land App	\$296,741	55	\$ 5,395.30
CAFOs	\$1,153,710	520	\$ 2,218.67
AFOS	\$117,673		

Current Proposal

- We start collecting new fees Jan 1, 2028
- Ends Admin Fee Fund usage

June 30, 2028

- Reduced Federal Funds for Statewide activities
- Permit fees sustain paying program
- Proposal for legislative fee cap increase in 2027.



Statutory Fee Cap

- §644.057, RSMo.
*"In no case shall the clean water commission adopt or recommend any clean water fee in excess of **five thousand dollars.**"*
- 2026 legislative efforts to remove or increase the cap not successful
- 2027 proposal to increase clean water fee cap to \$25,000.
 - If successful, another round of rule making.

Fee Flyer Review (Domestic)

Connection-based POTWs (≥ 200 connections)	
Facility Population Served	Final Fee (per connection)
Residential Connection for systems serving $\geq 20,000$ connections	\$1.30
Residential Connection for systems serving less than 20,000 connections	\$1.60
Non-res/ Not SIU/CIU	\$17
Significant Industrial User (SIU) & Categorical Industrial User (CIU)- DNR regulated	\$4,000
SIU & CIU within permittee pretreatment program	\$250

*Includes Administrative fee
for POTWs*



Flow based & Connection-based <200 connections	
Facility Design Flow	Proposed Final Fee
<5,000 gpd	\$850
5,000 to 9,999 gpd	\$1,600
10,000 to 24,999 gpd	\$2,500
$\geq 25,000$ gpd	\$5,000

Fee Flyer Review (Domestic Connection-Based)

Connection Type	Connections	Current Fees	Totals
Residential	406273	\$ 0.48	\$ 195,011.04
Industrial/Commercial Not Served by PW	0	\$ 1.48	\$ -
Industrial/Commercial <=1" or Private	12697	\$ 3.00	\$ 38,091.00
Industrial/Commercial 1-4"	8463	\$ 11.00	\$ 93,093.00
Industrial/Commercial >4"	2750	\$ 29.00	\$ 79,750.00
	Subtotals		\$ 405,945.04

Connection Type	Connections	Proposed Fee	Totals
Residential	406273	\$ 1.30	\$ 528,154.90
Non-res/non-industrial	23772	\$ 17.00	\$ 404,124.00
SIU/CIU	138	\$ 250.00	\$ 34,500.00
	Subtotals		\$ 966,778.90

Fee Flyer Review (Domestic Flow-Based)

Flow-Based & Connection-based <200 Connections	
D.F.	Current Fee
<5,000	\$150
5,000 - 9,999 gpd	\$300
10,000 - 14,999 gpd	\$600
15,000 - 24,999 gpd	\$1,000
25,000 - 29,999 gpd	\$1,500
30,000 - 99,999 gpd	\$3,000
100,000 - 249,999 gpd	\$4,000
250,000k+ gpd	\$5,000

Flow-Based & Connection-based <200 Connections		
D.F.	Proposed Fee	Post Legislative Increase
<5,000	\$850	\$850
5,000 - 9,999 gpd	\$1,600	\$1,600
10,000 - 24,999 gpd	\$2,500	\$2,500
25,000 - 99,999 gpd	\$5,000	\$5,000
100,000 - 1 MGD	\$5,000	\$7,500
>1 MGD	\$5,000	\$10,000

Fee Flyer Review (Domestic Connection-based <200)

Connection Type	Connections	Current Fees	Totals
Residential	86	\$ 0.80	\$ 68.80
Industrial/Commercial Not Served by PWS		\$ 1.48	\$ -
Industrial/Commercial <=1" or Private	2	\$ 3.00	\$ 6.00
Industrial/Commercial 1-4"	4	\$ 11.00	\$ 44.00
Industrial/Commercial >4"		\$ 29.00	\$ -
			\$ 118.80

Design Flow	Design Flow	Proposed Fee	Post legislative change
<5,000 gpd		\$850	\$850
5,000 to 9,999 gpd		\$1,600	\$1,600
10,000 to 24,999 gpd		\$2,500	\$2,500
25,000 - 99,999 gpd		\$5,000	\$5,000
100,000 - 1 MGD	100,000	\$5,000	\$7,500
>1 MGD		\$5,000	\$10,000

Fee Flyer Review (Industrial Site-Specific)

Industrial Site Type	Final Proposed
Categorical wastewater and stormwater	
Major rating	\$5,000
Minor rating; flows greater than 1 MGD	\$5,000
Minor rating; flows less than 1 MGD	\$5,000
Non-categorical wastewater and stormwater	
Major rating	\$5,000
Minor rating; flows greater than 1 MGD	\$5,000
Minor rating; flows less than 1 MGD	\$5,000
Non-categorical stormwater only discharges	
Deeded acreage $\geq$ 100 acres	\$5,000
Deeded acreage $25 < 100$ acres	\$5,000
Deeded acreage $10 < 25$ acres	\$5,000
Deeded acreage < 10 acres	\$3,500

Post Legislative Increases	
Industrial Site Type	Final Proposed Fee
Categorical wastewater and stormwater	
Major rating	\$12,500
Minor rating; flows greater than 1 MGD	\$10,000
Minor rating; flows less than 1 MGD	\$8,000
Non-categorical wastewater and stormwater	
Major rating	\$10,000
Minor rating; flows greater than 1 MGD	\$7,500
Minor rating; flows less than 1 MGD	\$5,000
Non-categorical stormwater only discharges	
Deeded acreage $\geq$ 100 acres	\$12,000
Deeded acreage $25 < 100$ acres	\$9,000
Deeded acreage $10 < 25$ acres	\$7,500
Deeded acreage < 10 acres	\$3,500

Fee Flyer Review (Industrial Site-Specific)

Power Plants – (**Categorical Major**)

Current fee: \$5,000

Proposed fee: \$5,000

Post legislative change: \$12,500



Manufacturing Plant – (**Non-categorical - Major**)

Current fee: \$3,000

Proposed fee: \$5,000

Post legislative change: \$10,000

Fee Flyer Review (Industrial Site-Specific)

Metal recycling facility –
(Stormwater Only >1 MGD)

Current fee: \$2,800

Proposed Fee @ 20 acres:
\$5,000

Post legislative change: \$7,500



Fee Flyer Review (GPs)

Current General
SW/Process WW
Permit Fee: **\$200**

Low Complexity \$850 annual fee	- Lumber and Wood/R22A - 153 - Agrichemical Facilities/R24 - 21 - Solid Waste Transfer/R80H - 76 *Underground Injection/UI - 6 - Animal Care/K9 - 3 *Small Quarries/QS - 9	*Land App. of Dom Septage/G821 - 82 *State-Only Small Meat Proc./S22 - 88 - Land Reclamation/G05 - 4 - Oil/Water Separators/G14 - 34 - Pool Discharge/G76 - 102 - Pesticide Application/G87 - 11 - Petrol Water Remediation/G94 - 4 - Heat Pumps/G251 - 4
Mid-Complexity \$1,200 annual fee	- Textile, Printing/R13 - 114 *Light Metal Fab./R203 - 270 - Plastics and Rubber Mfg./R23D - 83 - Biodiesel Mfg./R23E - 4 - Motor Vehicle Salvage/R60A - 226 - Concrete Ready Mix/RC - 270 - Asphalt/AP - 80 - Fish Farms/G13 - 11	*Small Meat Proc./G22 - 21 - Hydrostatic Testing/G67 - 15 - River, Lake Dredging/G69 - 10 - Big River Dredging/G698 - 11 - Clay Mining/G84 - 68 - Feedstock Compost/G92 - 8 - Yard Waste Compost/G97 - 26 *Annual Soil Analysis Land App./PA - 30
High Complexity \$1,900 annual fee	- Wood Treaters/R22B - 7 - Chemical Mfg./R23A - 34 - Motor Freight Trans./R80C - 265 - Airports/R80F - 21 *P-Index Land App./P1&P5 - 1	- Petroleum Storage/G35- 196 - Sand, Gravel Washing/G50 - 57 - WTP Settling Basins/G64 - 120 - Zeolite Softeners/G641 - 17 - Car Wash/G75 - 15 - Limestone Quarries/Q - 390

Fee Flyer Review (GPs)

Limestone quarry – (MOQ former MOG49)

Current fee: \$200

Proposed Fee: \$1,900

Concrete batch plant – (MORC)

Current fee: \$200

Proposed Fee: \$1,200

Small limestone quarry: (MOQS?)

Current fee: \$200

Proposed Fee: \$850

Fee Flyer Review (On-Demand Services)

Other Service Fees	Existing Fee	Proposed Fee
Variance	\$250	\$1,000
Variance based on economic impact	\$250	\$250
Provisional Variance	\$250	\$1,000
316(a) Variance	\$0	\$5,000
316(b) Intake Study	\$0	\$5,000
No Exposure	\$0	\$300
De Minimis	\$0	\$150
Mixing Zone Studies- Standard	\$0	\$1,000
Mixing Zone Studies-Complex	\$0	\$4,000
Use Attainability Analysis	\$0	\$5,000
Site specific Metals Translator Study	\$0	\$2,000
401 Water Quality Certification	\$150	\$500
401 WQC Modification	\$0	\$300
Adverse Impact Statement	\$1,500	\$5,000
Mitigation Review	\$0	\$300

Post Legislative Increase
\$21,000
\$12,000

General Permit Service Fees	Proposed Fee
Modification	\$500
Ownership Transfers	\$250
Transfer of Site Specific to General Permit	\$1,000

Fee Flyer Review (On-demand Services)

316(a) Variance – **(Power Plants)**

Current fee: \$0

Proposed fee: \$5,000

Post legislative change: \$21,000



No exposure certification – **(GP Stormwater)**

Current fee: \$0

Proposed fee: \$300

Post legislative change: \$300

NOT Associated with SS permitting applications

Fee Flyer Review (Land Application)

Land Application Site	Annual	Application Fee	Modification Fee	Owner Transfer Fee
All Land App/ Storage sites	\$5,000	\$3,750	\$2,500	\$250

Land Application Contractors (3rd Party)

- Site-specific permits
- Not applicable to “source” facilities authorized for land application

Post Legislative Increase				
Industrial Site Type	Annual	Application Fee	Modification Fee	Owner Transfer Fee
Land App with closed storage tanks				
<50 acres	\$3,500	\$3,750	\$1,750	\$250
50 to <100 acres	\$5,000	\$3,750	\$2,500	\$250
100 to <500 acres	\$7,500	\$5,000	\$3,750	\$250
500 to <1000 acres	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$250
1000 acres or more	\$12,500	\$7,500	\$6,250	\$250
Land App with open tanks or earthen basins				
<50 acres	\$5,000	\$7,500	\$2,500	\$250
50 to <100 acres	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$3,750	\$250
100 to <500 acres	\$10,000	\$7,500	\$5,000	\$250
500 to <1000 acres	\$12,500	\$7,500	\$6,250	\$250
1000 acres or more	\$15,000	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$250

Fee Flyer Review (Land Application)

Closed storage tank w/ 300 acres:

- Proposed fee: \$5,000
- Post legislative change: \$7,500

Earthen basin(s) w/ 1,000 acres:

- Proposed fee: \$5,000
- Post legislative change: \$15,000

Fee Flyer Review (Land Disturbance)

Area Size	Fee Concept
1-5 acres	\$550
5-10 acres	\$675
10-25 acres	\$825
25-100 acres	\$1,675
100-500 acres	\$3,325
500 acres +	\$5,000

Post Legislative Increase
\$5,550

Fee Flyer Review (CAFOs)

Class IC MOGS1 (no discharge) CAFOs

Year 1 – \$300

Year 2 – \$450

Year 3 (and annually thereafter) – \$600

New or Expanding Application – \$2,500

USES GENERAL REVENUE

Class IC MOG01 (NPDES)

Year 1 & 2 – \$1,750

Year 3+ – \$3,500

Class IB CAFOs

MOGS1 (no discharge)

Year 1 & 2 – \$1,800

Year 3+ – \$3,600

MOG01 (NPDES)

Year 1 & 2 – \$2,500

Year 3+ – ~~\$5,000~~

\$5,400

New/Expanding Application

\$3,750

Class IA and Site Specific CAFOs

Annual Fee – ~~\$5,000~~ \$10,000

New/Expanding Application ~~\$5,000~~

\$7,500



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Fee Flyer Review (Construction and Engineering)

Facility	Antidegradation Reviews	Facility Plans	Construction Permits
MOGD/MOGDS/General	\$500	\$500	\$500
Domestic $\leq$ 500,000 gpd and Domestic Pump-and-haul and Industrial No-Discharge	\$2,000	\$1,500	\$1,500
Domestic $\leq$ 500,000 gpd	\$4,000	\$3,500	\$3,500
Industrial	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000

Facility Plan includes 32 hours of review time, with a charge of \$35/hour for every hour in excess of 32 hours.

Construction Permit applications include 72 hours of review time, with a charge of \$42/hour for every hour in excess of 72 hours.

SEWER EXTENSIONS (FEE CONCEPT) = \$1,000

10 CSR 20-6.011, Fees

June 10

- Proposed fee structure presented to Clean Water Commission
- Stakeholder input/ agreement

July 15

- CWC "Decision" Meeting
- Move to Formal Rulemaking

