

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
RENEWABLE WATER RESOURCES
HIGH STRENGTH WASTE SURCHARGE RATE CHANGES**

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before Renewable Water Resources (ReWa) Board of Commissioners at 2:30 p.m. on Monday, May 19th, 2025. The hearing will be held at the ReWa Discovery Lab, which is located at 564 Mauldin Road, Greenville, South Carolina.

The purpose of the public hearing will be to allow members of the public to express their views regarding the proposed rate increases for high strength waste surcharges in Fiscal Year (FY) 2026. The table below presents the current high strength surcharge rates as found in Attachment A of the Sewer Use Regulation and the proposed FY 2026 rates. The current rates were last updated in 2008. With the rising cost of treatment, ReWa concluded a third-party study in the first quarter of 2025 that evaluated the cost of treating high strength waste and determined that the proposed FY 2026 rates below are necessary to work towards cost recovery, ratepayer equity and affordability.

Monthly Rates	Current Rate	Proposed Rate (FY 2026)
Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) above 250 mg/liter	\$0.275 per pound	\$0.333 per pound
Total Suspended Solids (TSS) above 250 mg/liter	\$0.275 per pound	\$0.308 per pound

All persons who attend the public hearing will be given an opportunity to speak. Written comments may be submitted to the ReWa Pretreatment Department prior to the public hearing. Proposed new rates can be found on ReWa's website or can be obtained at the Administrative Office located at 561 Mauldin Road, Greenville, South Carolina. You may also call (864) 299-4000 to request a copy by email or mail.