

**RESIDENTIAL FACT SHEET FOR
1710 N FOUNTAIN GREEN RD
(WATER EXTENSION)**

1. Item to Consider: County Water Hook-Up Charges

Payment of Hookup charges will be due prior to issuance of plumbing connection permit.

A. To Pay in full

Water Area Charge (WAC)	\$650.00	
Water Surcharge (WS)	\$450.00	
Water Development Charge FY21 (WDC)	\$4,383.00	increases at 4.5% every July 1st
Water Meter Fee (5/8" meter) No sprinkler	\$284.00	
TOTAL One Time Hook-up Charges Due	\$5,767.00	Valid July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 with a finalized Harford County connection plumbing permit

OR

B. To pro-rate

Harford County offers a pro-rate option for **existing homes**; with this option, the owner of an existing residence has the option of paying in increments of five installments to settle the charges, which accrues interest over time. The applied interest is set to accrue at 2% interest over the current prime interest rate. If chosen, the total amount due prior to the approval of the RSA is listed in the chart below. The remaining balance of **\$4,386.40** will accrue interest until the debt is settled. For more details on this option, please contact Linda Verzi with the Water and Sewer Treasury Department at (410) 638-3311. The balance must be paid before a sale of the home.

First Installment	\$1,096.60	(WAC + WS + WDC/5)
Water Meter Fee (5/8" meter)	\$284.00	
Initial Hook-up Charges	\$1,380.60	Valid July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 with a finalized Harford County connection plumbing permit

2. Item to Consider: Public Water Extension

a. **Submittal of the Fee Authorization Letter:**

You are required to complete and submit a Fee Authorization letter to the Division of Water and Sewer Engineering Section located at 3334 Abingdon Rd., Abingdon, MD, at the time the utility construction drawings are submitted to the County for review. **By signing this letter of authorization, you are agreeing to pay for all fees incurred by Harford County for all technical and engineering review staff time and any inspections required for your project.**

b. **Design of Public Water Main Extension:**

You will be responsible to hire an engineering firm, licensed by the State of Maryland, to design the extension of the public water main in accordance with the Division of Water and Sewer Guidelines. You will be required to extend from THE 12" main Contract# 9934 approximately 850+/- linear feet South along MD 543 to the South side of the common right of way. An 8" tee is required west along the common right of way to approximately 20 feet past the common lot line of lots 3 and 4. Public easements are required.

Your proposed design drawings will be submitted to Harford County for review and approval. Please keep in mind that the County will take over maintenance and ownership of the public water and sewer mains per the Rules & Regulations.

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c. Review and approval of the proposed public water main extension:

Your engineer shall submit the proposed design drawings and Fee Authorization letter to the Division of Water and Sewer Engineering Division at 3334 Abingdon Road, Abingdon, MD for review and approval. For the initial submittal, two complete sets of plans must be submitted. When the original mylars are submitted, two additional sets of prints will be required. After the original Mylar drawings are approved, seven copies must be made for the County, and both the copies and the original drawings must be given to the Division of Water and Sewer.

d. Public Drainage and Utility Easement:

You must hire an engineer to create a Deed of Easement for a Public Drainage and Utility Easement across Lots 3 and 4. These easements must be created to provide for the construction and repair of the public sewer main. Our staff will work with your engineer on this matter. These Deed of Easements or Easement Plat will need to be recorded in the County Courthouse prior to the approval of the design drawings.

e. Execution of a signed Public Works Utility Agreement (PWUA):

You are required to enter into an agreement with the County for the extension of the public water main. After the design drawings for the water extension are approved by the County, you will need to send an email to wspemits@harfordcountymd.gov with the Division of Water and Sewer requesting the County to produce the PWUA.

f. Construction of Public Water Main Extension:

It is your responsibility to hire a Licensed Utility Contractor to perform this work.

A licensed utility contractor must install the proposed public water extension.

A list of pre-qualified licensed utility contractors can be provided to you, Section D-2 for Water Utilities.

When you obtain prices from utility contractors, keep in mind that a County inspector must be on-site while the work is being performed for which you will be billed at a rate of \$50 per hour. Your contractor will be contacting Miss Utility for the marking of the underground utilities. This service may be around \$50.

Your contractor will schedule a pre-construction meeting with the Bureau of Construction Management 410-638-3217 prior to the start of construction. Construction may commence anytime after the PWUA has been fully executed with the County and the pre-construction meeting has occurred.

g. Testing, approval and operational of the public water main extension:

For your project to receive full operational approval there are several sections in the County that will review and approve the completed construction. Upon completion of construction, the Bureau of Construction Management will produce an Operational Certificate during the operational testing and walk through. The Operational Certificate is then forwarded to the Engineering and Administration Section of Water and Sewer. At this time, your engineer will be responsible to perform an As-Built survey of the completed construction and transfer this information onto the original construction drawings. You will now post a Maintenance Bond and our office will work with you to determine the amount.

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3. Item to Consider: Installation of On-Site Private Plumbing:

You will need to hire a master plumber to connect to the water service and install on-site private plumbing to your home. For more information on plumbing procedures, contact the Harford County Department of Inspections, Licenses and Permits, Plumbing Division at 410-638-3215.

Please be aware that when water pressure from the a public main is insufficient to provide flow pressures to a fixture outlet(s), a booster pump and pressure tank or other approved means need to be installed on the building water supply system. If a booster pump and pressure tank is required, this equipment will be the property owners responsibility to install and maintain, please consult with your plumber.

- **The abandonment of the existing well is required:**

You will be required to abandon the existing well per Health Department regulations. You must contact the Health Department at 410-877-2302 for instructions.

4. Item to Consider: Recurring Cost

Also, please note that your property will be subject to one annual assessment issued every July, and a quarterly usage charge. Listed below is a brief description of these costs:

- The **Quarterly Usage Charge** is calculated by reading your meter on a quarterly basis. Your quarterly bill will depend on your water usage. Considering an average water consumption of 14,000 gallons per quarter, the projected quarterly bill using rates effective July 1, 2020 would be \$90.51. The State of Maryland Bay Restoration Fee for all residential users will be \$15.00 per quarter added to your Quarterly Usage Bill.
- The **Water User Benefit Assessment** is \$70.00 per year, for 25 years. This assessment will start the July after the connection to the system.