

**Household Population Application - 2020**

Request for increased Water Budget due to Household Population Adjustment

<b>Name:</b>	<b>Account #:</b>
<b>Name on account</b>	_____
<b>(if different):</b>	<b>Phone:</b>
_____	_____
<b>Property Address:</b>	<b>Zip Code:</b>
<u>Highlands Ranch, CO</u>	_____
<b>Billing Address</b>	<b>Zip Code:</b>
<b>(if different):</b>	_____
_____	_____
<b>Email address:</b>	
_____	

**By signing below, the applicant certifies the above information and acknowledges that:**

- I am applying or reapplying for an annual increased Water Budget because the above address is the primary year round residence for  persons.
- The granting of an increase in Water Budget for this purpose is subject to **annual renewal**.
- I have read and understand the information shown on the reverse side of this form concerning the impact on wastewater charges.
- The information contained in this form is **subject to audit**. Should an audit be necessary, applicant agrees to provide acceptable documentation of the actual household population. Such documentation may include, but is not limited to, copies of Federal 1040 tax forms, driver's licenses or other records which show proof of residence.
- If any of the information supplied on this application by the applicant is found to be false, the fees and charges will be adjusted retroactively to the date of this application and appropriate fees and charges added to the next utility services bill for the address.
- Applicant understands that water usage in excess of the assigned Water Budget may result in significantly higher costs as an incentive to use water wisely.

**Total Household Population = \_\_\_\_\_ less 3 persons included in base = \_\_\_\_\_ persons increase**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>FOR OFFICE USE:</b>	
<u>Date Received:</u>	<u>Cycle:</u>
<u>Account#:</u>	<u>Usage:</u>
<u>WW Rate:</u>	<u>Budget:</u>

**Household Population Application – Process and Impacts on your Account:**

**Purpose:** The indoor water budget is based on average consumption for a three person household. The indoor water budget for each residence is 12,000 bimonthly, however, the average home has indoor usage of 9,000 bimonthly. In some cases the household population may create a need for additional water budget. This application is a request for an increase to indoor water budget due to additional **year round** household population. (Irrigation budgets are seasonal and allocated based on lot size in addition to the indoor budget.)

**Process:** If you would like to request an increase in water budget based on your household population you must first read through the impacts to your account then complete the application and submit to our office. The application may be submitted via email to [cs@highlandsranch.org](mailto:cs@highlandsranch.org) or mailed or dropped at our office at 62 W. Plaza Drive, Highlands Ranch, CO 80129 or faxed to 303-791-3290.

**Impact:** The base Water Budget for indoor use is 12,000 gallons bimonthly. This is based on the average Highlands Ranch household population of 3 persons. Additional permanent residents over 3 may be the basis for an increase in the base Water Budget for indoor use of 3,000 gallons per person.

However, the Wastewater Fee charged for the residence **WILL BE INCREASED** because it also is calculated based on a 3 person household. Using more water indoors means more wastewater will be generated. The following table shows the impact and potential benefits of submitting a Household Population Application.

	3 Persons	4 Persons	5 Persons	6 Persons	7 Persons	8 Persons
Adjusted Indoor Use Water Budget (AWB) *	12,000	15,000	18,000	21,000	24,000	27,000
Estimated bimonthly water savings based on rates per 1,000 gallons of:						
Up to 100% of WB=	\$3.90					
101% to 120% of WB=	\$5.25					
121% to 140% of WB=	\$7.97					
Above 140% =	\$12.07					
<i>Rates subject to change</i>						
Additional incremental wastewater cost	\$ -	\$ (11.04)	\$ (22.08)	\$ (33.12)	\$ (44.16)	\$ (55.20)
<b>Estimated Net bimonthly (Cost) / Savings</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ (6.99)</b>	<b>\$ (1.72)</b>	<b>\$ 11.75</b>	<b>\$ 25.22</b>	<b>\$ 38.69</b>

**\* Important Note:** The increase in the Water Budget for Household Population Adjustment purposes will lead to an increased wastewater charge as well. Therefore, if your actual indoor water use is less than the estimated break-even usage you will end up paying more in wastewater charges without offsetting savings on water charges. For this reason you should carefully consider whether your indoor water use would justify a net savings through this program. Call the Water Billing Department at 303-791-0361 with any questions about your history of water usage to help you make this decision.