

# HARRIS COUNTY WC&ID NO. 119

OF

## HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS

December 31, 2008

Residents and Customers  
Harris County WCID No. 119  
Harris County, Texas

Dear Residents and Customers:

As you may be aware, the District is a member of the North Harris County Regional Water Authority (the "Authority") which was formed to provide a regional entity to build the necessary facilities to meet the requirements of the Harris-Galveston Coastal Subsidence District for conversion from groundwater to surface water. The Subsidence District has mandated that, beginning January 1, 2010, the Authority reduce and maintain groundwater withdrawals to comprise no more than 70% of the Authority's total water demand. All members of the Authority currently pay a fee to the Authority of \$0.99 per 1,000 gallons of groundwater pumped from their respective wells to cover administrative and construction costs incurred by the Authority relative to the surface water conversion project. **Effective January 1, 2009, the Authority will increase this fee to \$1.50 per 1,000 gallons.** Accordingly, the Authority assessment on your water bill will increase by \$0.51 per 1,000 gallons of water used, bringing the total pumpage fee assessed to each customer to \$1.50 per 1,000 gallons of usage. This charge will continue to be a separate line item on your water bill.

For more information regarding the Authority's activities, you may visit the Authority's website at [www.nhcrwa.com](http://www.nhcrwa.com) or contact them at 281-440-3924.

Also, as a result of increased operating cost, permit fees, fuel costs and other expenses relating to providing water, sewer and garbage collection and recycling services, it has become necessary to increase the minimum monthly water and sewer rates by \$1.00 each. As residents of the District, we are committed to keeping our rates as low as possible within the limits of fiscal responsibility. To that end, we are proud that this is the first rate increase since October, 2006. We are equally proud that our services continue to be first rate, and the rates we pay for our services compare very favorably to the rates charged in neighboring subdivisions. For your information, the list below reflects the cost of a 10,000 gallon monthly water bill (average usage per household) for the District as compared to other communities in our area:

Harris County WC&ID No. 119:	\$41.25	Includes Garbage Disposal
Harris County MUD No. 367/Gleannloch:	\$45.15	Includes Garbage Disposal
NWHCMUD No. 15/Westbourne:	\$56.13	Includes Garbage Disposal
Harris County MUD No. 44/Olde Oaks:	\$40.55	No Garbage Disposal
Harris County MUD No. 11/Woodgate:	\$68.22	No Garbage Disposal
City of Houston:	\$70.66	No Garbage Disposal

If you have questions about the District or the services it provides, please contact the District's operator, Water District Management Company, at 281-376-8802.

Very truly yours,

Board of Directors, Harris County WC&ID No. 119