

# 2026 Drinking Water Rates

\$1,965 Single Family Dwelling

\$767 Parcel Tax

**\$2,732 Total water utility cost per year,**  
a 10% increase from 2025



Regulatory Reporting and Meeting Provincial (i.e. Interior Health) and Federal Drinking

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**If you are signed up for Voyent please ensure your location is set to within the water system you wish to receive notifications for.**

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# 2026 Water System Information Fauquier

**What it takes to deliver safe drinking water to your tap**



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Location of 2026 mainline installation

## System News

Distribution upgrades designed in 2025 for Willow and Oak St will commence in 2026. A filter installation is planned to reduce loading on the sand filters and improve overall turbidity in the water system.

## Capital and Operations Highlights

- Design completed for water main replacement along Willow and Oak St
- UV Transmittance analyzer replacement
- Chlorine dosing pump replacements
- Annual distribution flushing and valve exercising completed

## Future Planned Upgrades

- Distribution system replacement Willow/ Oak St (2026) \$300,000
- Pre-filtration system for water treatment plant (2026) \$60,000
- Standby power/pump upgrade, abandon upper reservoir (2027)
- UV Disinfection (2029)
- Distribution system replacement (2029-2030)

## About Your Water System

The Fauquier water system is located on the east side of Lower Arrow Lake, and includes the Needles Ferry landing. The system services 91 active connections and is within RDCK Electoral Area K. The system became a RDCK service 2011. The system draws water from Heart Creek, which historically has minor issues with erosion that results in increased turbidity (suspended sediment) during some parts of the year. The treatment plant includes sand filtration for reducing turbidity, and chlorination for bacteria/virus disinfection. The system includes a 1,134,000 liter concrete reservoir. A second 50,000 liter steel tank stores water for residents at higher elevation within the community. Total volume consumed in 2025 was 92,986 m3.

## Water Events

The following water quality events occurred in 2025:

- Water Quality Advisory issued April 15 due to high turbidity, rescinded
- Boil Water Notice issued July 30 due to pump failure, rescinded Aug 13

## Water Quality Testing

RDCK conducts routine water quality testing in accordance with the Drinking Water Protection Act under the oversight of the Interior Health Authority to ensure drinking water meets the parameters outlined in Health Canada's Guide lines for Canadian Drinking Water Quality.

Water quality is good



Your water conservation efforts, such as xeriscaping, help prevent water shortages!

## Water Conservation

Water conservation helps to protect and preserve our drinking water sources and ensure they are sustainable into the future. By lowering water demand, communities can mitigate the cost of water system operations and maintenance, and extend the life of their existing infrastructure.

From June 1 to September 30, Stage 1 measures go into effect every year regardless of seasonal weather patterns. The RDCK may, upon notification, impose further water conservation measures (Stages 2-4) as necessary.

## Ways to reduce your water use

- Drip irrigation
- Rain harvesting
- Grass alternatives/Xeriscaping
- Low-flow shower heads
- Dual-flush toilets
- Front load wash machines
- Water wise tooth brushing/hand washing