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BOARD MOVES NEW ELECTIONS PROCESS FORWARD

San Juan is in the process of transitioning its election process from at-large to by-division voting. The District solicited public input and worked with a demographer to draw maps of potential voting division options for review by our Board of Directors.

Board members requested revisions to the maps and election sequencing and published their proposal on October 7, 2020. The Board held the fourth and final public hearing on October 14 to receive public comment and introduce the ordinance for those items and is holding a second reading and adoption of the ordinance on November 9.

The final maps must be filed with the Registrars of Voters prior to July, 2022. To stay up to date, check out **sjwd.org/transitioning-to-division-based-elections**.

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## **DIAL BACK** YOUR IRRIGATION

Now that daylight savings is in effect, your landscape needs little to no irrigation during the cooler, winter months. Please decrease your irrigation control settings or simply let your sprinklers hibernate for the winter. Consider letting your lawn grow dormant during winter months when watering isn't as essential.

You can also install a weather-based irrigation controller that automatically adjusts irrigation needs based on weather conditions. The Rachio 3 Smart Sprinkler Controller acts just like a thermostat for your sprinklers and is available for an instant

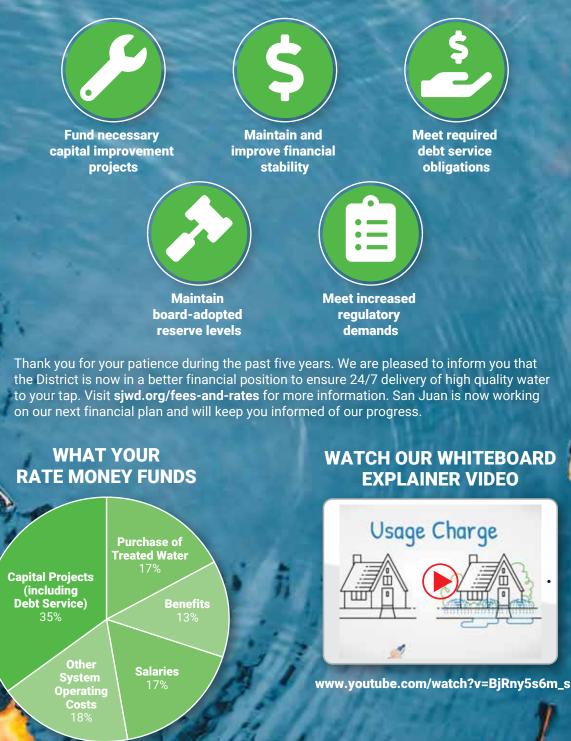


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## **RATE CHANGES COMING JANUARY 1**

In April 2017, the Board of Directors adopted a five-year water rate adjustment structure. January 2021 is the fifth and final year of approved rate increases.

As of January 1, your daily base charge will include an 8.78 percent increase. The volumetric rate will remain unchanged at \$0.92 for each 748 gallons of water used. The rate adjustments:





## HINKLE RESERVOIR TANK UPDATE

We are moving forward with a major improvement project that includes rehabilitating San Juan's Hinkle Reservoir. The 62-million gallon drinking water reservoir was lined and covered in 1980.

The cover and liner have outlived their useful lives and need to be replaced. To assist with operational controls during construction, two large temporary tanks are being installed on our property just beyond the main gate. The bolted steel tanks are currently being constructed and are scheduled for completion in November.

Additional capital improvement or infrastructure projects will begin either later this year or early 2021. For more information, visit **sjwd.org/major-current-capital-improvement-projects**.

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