

~SURVEY~

Because your opinion matters in order to better serve you...

PROPOSED CONSOLIDATION OF THE HAMPTON MANOR WATER DISTRICT WITH THE GENERAL WATER DISTRICT

After reading the information on the reverse side of this survey, please check an appropriate response (more than one, if applicable) for each of the following questions:

1. Are you pleased with the *current* water pressure in the Hampton Manor Water District?

Yes _____ No _____

2. Do you have any concerns over the drinkability of the water *presently* in the Hampton Manor Water District?

Yes _____ No _____

3. What is/are your specific concern(s) with the quality of the water?

Bad taste _____ Color _____ Debris _____ Mineralization _____

Other: _____

4. Do you treat the water in your home? If yes, please indicate treatment type and annual cost.

Yes _____ No _____

Treatment: Softener _____ Filtration _____ Purifier _____

Annual cost: < \$50 _____ \$51 - \$100 _____ \$101 - \$150 _____ >\$150 _____

5. The cost of interconnection (see reverse side of survey) shows an estimate of the additional costs that you would pay annually if this consolidation was accomplished. How much more would you be willing to pay annually in order for the Hampton Manor Water District to consolidate with the town's General Water District?

Annual cost: < \$50 _____ \$51 - \$100 _____ \$101 - \$150 _____ >\$150 _____

6. **Rather than consolidating with the General Water District, would you pay more to upgrade Hampton Manor Water District's existing system?**

Yes _____ No _____

7. **If yes to question 6, how much more on an annual basis?**

Annual cost: < \$50 _____ \$51 - \$100 _____ \$101 - \$150 _____ >\$150 _____

8. **Given the information provided, would you prefer to consolidate?**

Yes: _____ No: _____

Fiscal Concerns Related to an Interconnection with the General Water District:

Questions have been raised over the years as to why the Hampton Manor Water District system cannot be interconnected with the General Water District system. Technically, this is a feasible concept; however, the overriding concern will be the cost to the users after the consolidation. There are three significant factors that will increase the cost of water.

1. Need for capital investment at the interconnection locations so pressure differentials can be regulated.
2. The cost of new water meters for the 634 presently unmetered customers. Water billing could not remain on a flat-rate basis.
3. The rate and structure of billing would have to be changed to match the General Water District billing formula, which includes system maintenance, operation, repairs, administration, and the purchase of water from the City of Troy. Average bills of users would increase about 57% to match General Water District user costs, and there would be an added ad-valorem tax based on property frontage.

Estimated Costs of District Consolidation:

Annual increase during the first tens years:

- Unmetered users (634): \$267
- Metered users (45): \$151

Annual increase after the first ten years: \$140 (all 679 users)

<p>PLEASE SUBMIT THIS COMPLETED FORM WITH YOUR PAYMENT. YOUR COOPERATION IS GREATLY APPRECIATED. THANK YOU!</p>
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