

LAKESHORE FOREST WATER SYSTEM, INC.

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To All LFWS Stockholders:

1. The Lakeshore Forest Water System is a private corporation that supplies residential water to nonbusiness customers within our community. We have a longstanding policy of ensuring that any forprofit business use, or other high consumption of water, by any one customer is not subsidized by the rest of our customers. Recently the Hall County Commission changed the rules to allow Short Term Rentals (STR) with a county business license in R-1 Subdivisions. According to the Hall County website: "Short term rentals in Hall County, Georgia are defined as residential spaces rented out for overnight accommodations for a period of 2 to 30 nights. Short term rentals are permitted in all residential zoning districts."

a. Due to the higher water usage of STRs, LFWS now has two water rates for our customers.

("Tier 1").

(1) The annual base water rate for all LFWS customers is \$325 beginning July 1, 2019).

(2) Customers who rent their homes out as Short Term Rentals (or operate a Bed & Breakfast), annually will incur an additional charge ("Tier 2 Upcharge") equal to the base rate. For 2019 that will be \$650 total. Owners who elect starting a STR business in any part of the year will be billed the Tier 2 Upcharge for the entire year at that time.

b. This does not modify any established county zoning rules already in place, deed restrictions or LFWS By-Laws. Customers who have long term rentals will have no change to their water bills.

c. As with all LFWS policies, this rate structure is subject to change at any time.

2. Recently we incurred significant expenses to repair damage to our water lines because heavy tree trimming trucks ran over our buried lines and broke them. If you see heavy equipment in our subdivision, we ask that you report it as soon as possible to any board member.

3. Reminders:

a. When you see us working in the street, repairing a water line, PLEASE SLOW DOWN. We're volunteers trying to restore your water.

b. Parking or driving over our water lines is prohibited. If you have contractors working on or near your property, it is your responsibility to inform them of the buried lines.

Your LFWS Board