

## Stormwater Utility Fee Explanation

The monthly stormwater management service fee is based on the number of equivalent residential units (ERU) which has been calculated for each individual parcel. The equivalent residential unit, also referred to as equivalent runoff unit, is the average amount of impervious surface area on a single-family residential property in the City of Monroe. One (1) ERU is calculated to be two thousand six hundred and eighteen (2,618) square feet of impervious surface.

Single-family detached residential properties are grouped into a three (3) tier system based on the amount of impervious surface located on the property. Each of the three (3) tier groups is assigned an ERU value and assessed a stormwater utility fee based on this value. For other residential developed property, including townhouses, apartments, condominiums, and other multi-unit residential development, an ERU value is assigned based on the categorization of the residential unit. For nonresidential property, the ERU is calculated by dividing the total impervious surface area of the property divided by one (1) ERU or 2,618 square feet, and rounded to the nearest tenth. Each of these ERU values is then multiplied by the established monthly billing unit rate as fixed by City Council. The present monthly stormwater utility billing unit rate is \$4.50.

### Stormwater Utility Fee Schedule

Description	ERU	Fee
Single Family Detached (including mobile homes)		
<u>Tier – Impervious Area (square feet)</u>		
0 to 2,010 (Tier 1)	0.7 ERU	\$3.15 per month
2,011 to 3,289 (Tier 2)	1.0 ERU	\$4.50 per month
3,288 and beyond (Tier 3)	1.4 ERU	\$6.30 per month
Other Residential Units (by dwelling unit)		
Town Homes	0.5 ERU	\$2.25 per month
Condominiums	0.5 ERU	\$2.25 per month
Multifamily (including apartment units)	0.6 ERU	\$2.70 per month
Non-Residential Properties		
1 ERU per 2,618 Sq. ft. of Impervious Area	varies	\$4.50 per ERU per month

### Calculating Equivalent Residential Units (ERU) for Non-Residential Properties

Total Impervious Surface Area (Sq. ft.)		1 Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU)		Total ERUs
Varies	÷	2,618 Sq. ft.	=	Varies

### Calculating Monthly Stormwater Utility Fee

Billing Unit Rate		Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU)		Monthly Fee
\$4.50	x	Varies	=	Varies

*Example of calculating equivalent residential units and monthly stormwater utility fee*



*82,550 square feet of impervious surface area (impervious area shaded)*

*Calculating ERUs:  $82,550 \text{ sq ft} \div 2618 \text{ sq ft} = 31.5 \text{ ERUs}$*

*Calculating monthly stormwater utility fee:  $31.5 \text{ ERUs} \times \$4.00 = \$126.00$*