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Wastewater Rate Update Effective July 1, 2025

Beginning July 1, 2025, the wastewater rate for Marietta Power and Water customers will increase from \$5.23 to \$5.41 per thousand gallon – a 3.5% adjustment. For the average residential customer, this represents an increase of approximately \$1.25 per month.

This change reflects rising treatment and infrastructure costs and new regulatory requirements. At Marietta Power and Water, we remain committed to maintaining reliable, high-quality service for our community.

Smart Watering Tips for Summer

To maintain a healthy landscape while conserving water during dry summer months, consider the following tips:

- **Water Deeply, but Infrequently:** Provide your lawn with about one inch of water per week, including rainfall. Deep watering encourages deep root growth, making plants more drought-resistant.
- **Use Mulch:** Applying mulch around plants helps retain soil moisture, reduces evaporation, and suppresses weeds.
- **Adjust Mower Height:** Set your lawn mower to a higher setting. Taller grass shades the soil, reducing evaporation and promoting deeper root growth.
- **Inspect Irrigation Systems:** Regularly check for leaks, misaligned sprinkler heads, and overspray onto non-landscaped areas to prevent water waste.
- **Adhere to the Georgia Water Stewardship Act:** Enacted in 2010, the Georgia Water Stewardship Act mandates year-round outdoor watering restrictions to optimize water usage. It permits outdoor watering of plants, ground cover, trees, shrubs, and other vegetation only between 4 p.m. and 10 a.m. daily. This schedule minimizes water loss due to evaporation during the hottest parts of the day.



These efforts can help preserve vital water resources for the community. For more information, visit MariettaGA.Gov/539/Conserve-Protect.

Marietta Power and Water Demonstrates Excellence at 2025 Georgia Lineman's Rodeo

Marietta Power and Water continued its tradition of excellence at the 2025 Georgia Lineman's Rodeo, held May 2-3 at Camp John Hope in Fort Valley, Georgia. Two journeyman teams and five apprentices showcased their skills in a series of rigorous events designed to test technical proficiency, safety, and speed.

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Overall: Marietta Power's two teams finished 15th and 16th overall out of 27 teams.

Municipality: Our teams finished 1st and 2nd in the Municipality division. There were three teams competing in the division.

Apprentices: Marietta Power's Apprentices finished 11th, 12th, 30th, 84th, and 114th overall out of 136 total participants:

- ① 11th Place: Cesar Molina
- ② 12th Place: Ethan Housel
- ③ 30th Place: Brady Bearden
- ④ 84th Place: Camden Allen
- ⑤ 114th Place: Nathan Bonito

Municipality Division (10 total participants):

- ① 1st Place: Cesar Molina
- ② 2nd Place: Ethan Housel
- ③ 3rd Place: Brady Bearden

The Lineman's Team: Randall Inskeep, Cory Hursh, and Jeremy Bassett finished 3rd in two of the five scheduled events.

The Apprentice Team: Brady Bearden came in 1st overall in the Hurt Man Rescue event with a time of 56 seconds. Nathan Bonito finished 114th, and his overall time was in the top 10 of the fastest times.

Overall, all our rodeo participants performed well and did a fantastic job.

The Georgia Lineman's Rodeo is an annual event that brings electric utilities across the state to compete in hurt-man rescue, pole climb, and equipment change-outs. These competitions highlight the technical skills required of lineworkers and emphasize the importance of safety and teamwork in the utility industry. ☀



Calendar of Events

Last Friday, April through September

2025 Glover Park Concert Series

Marietta Square, 8 p.m., Free

The concert lineup:

June 27	Smokey Jones and the 3 Dollar Pistols <i>Classic & Outlaw Country Party Band</i>
July 25	The Stranger featuring Mike Santoro <i>A Billy Joel Tribute Band</i>
August 22*	Soul Cartel <i>Funk & Soul</i>
September 26	Davis and the Love <i>Variety Pop Hits</i>

*Not the last Friday of the month

For more information, visit MariettaGA.Gov/192/Glover-Park-Concert-Series or call (770) 794-5601.

Friday, July 4

4th In The Park Celebration

Marietta Square

Event Schedule

10 a.m.	Let Freedom Ring Parade
10 a.m. until 9 p.m.	Festival - Arts & Crafts, Kid's Zone, Festival Food, Free Concerts
Noon	Concert Featuring: Scott Thompson
2 p.m.	Bell Ringing Ceremony
2:30 p.m.	Atlanta Concert Band
8 until 9:30 p.m.	Concert Featuring: Chuck Martin and the Line Up

FIREWORKS SHOW AT DARK

For more information, visit MariettaGA.Gov/194/Fourth-of-July-Celebration, or call Marietta Parks and Recreation at (770) 794-5601.

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