

Stormwater Rates

Effective July 1, 2018

Property Description	Number of Billing Units	Annual Fee
Residential	1 ERU	\$72.00/year
Non-Residential	1 ERU/2,266 sq. ft. of impervious area	\$72.00/ERU/year
Undeveloped	None	No Fee

Fee Information & Calculation

In 1994, a Stormwater Discharge Permit was issued to the City of Fayetteville by the NC Department of Environment and Natural Resources (NC DENR) to meet unfunded federally mandated regulations to reduce polluted stormwater runoff under the 1987 Water Quality Act. Those regulations are still in place today and have since been strengthened. Compliance for those stormwater “quality” activities is funded through the local stormwater fee charged to City residents, businesses and institutions.

The stormwater fee (which includes components for “quality” and “drainage”) is based on a property’s impervious area and appears on the property’s annual tax notice as STRMWATERFEE.

The total annual stormwater fee for a residential property is currently \$72 in the City of Fayetteville. All residential properties are charged a flat fee. Residential properties include: single-family detached houses, mobile homes on an individual lot, individual duplexes, and residential condominiums.

The stormwater fee for non-residential (business) property is based on a calculated number of Equivalent Residential Units (ERU). One (1) ERU is the average amount of impervious area (2,266 square feet) found on a typical single-family residence.

Non-residential property owners who wish to confirm

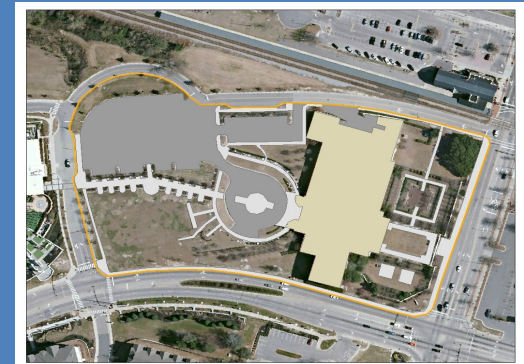
their stormwater fee should measure the total square footage of impervious area and divide that number by 2,266 to determine the total number of ERU’s that they are billed. Impervious surface is defined as land cover that prevents or significantly impedes the natural infiltration of stormwater into the ground. Common impervious surfaces include building footprints, driveways and sidewalks, hard surfaced paving such as parking lots, patios, and solid decks.

Practices that reduce the negative impact of impervious area on the drainage system are strongly encouraged! If a non-residential property 1) has incorporated stormwater control facilities that are routinely and fully maintained by the property owner and meet certain defined minimum standards for peak-runoff reduction, or 2) currently maintains an individual or general National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Stormwater Permit from the State of North Carolina, the property may qualify for an on-going credit to the annual stormwater fee.

The Stormwater Division can provide you with a summary of your bill determination and additional information regarding the possible credit.

If you wish to obtain additional information about your local Stormwater Program, please contact the **Stormwater Hotline at 910-433-1613 or on the web at: www.fayettevillenc.gov/stormwater.**

Commercial Property Example



202,599 sq ft Impervious Area

202,599 sq ft Impervious Area / 2,266 sq ft = 89.4 ERU’s

89.4 ERU’s x 72.00 = 6436.80

Fee is \$ 6436.80 Per Year