

What Is Raw Water Dedication And How Much Is Required For the City of Greeley?

Raw water dedication is the process for new demand or new development to provide raw water supply to the City that can be treated to back up the consumption added to the water system. If the water tap will use 244,000 gallons in a year, there needs to be 244,000 gallons transferred to the City to be treated and sent through the system to be used by that tap.

The raw water dedication requirements are split into two categories:

For **Residential** development the formula is 3 acre feet per acre of land, based on gross acres.

Example: 10 acre development x 3 acre-feet/acre = 30 acre-feet due

For **Non-Residential** (Commercial, Industrial, and Mixed-Use) development the amount due is based on the water tap size selected:

Tap Size	Minimum Raw Water Required (Acre Feet)	Base Annual Allotment (Gallons)
3/4"	0.75	244,000
1"	2	652,000
1-1/2"	3	977,000
2"	8	2,607,000
3"	12	3,910,000
4"	24	7,820,000
6"	208	67,772,000

The raw water required can be met by transferring certain waters to the city that historically irrigated the proposed development. They are listed below with the current credit given:

The Greeley-Loveland Irrigation Company

The Loveland and Greeley Reservoir (Lake Loveland)

The Seven Lakes Reservoir Company

The Greeley Irrigation Company (Canal No.3)*

Current Yield Per Share:

8 Acre-feet/Share

10.3 Acre-feet/Share

Other acceptable sources:

Colorado Big Thompson (C-BT) water Cash-In-Lieu of raw water 0.75 Acre-feet/Unit

Cash-in-lieu of raw water can be used when raw water is not available. The current cash-in-lieu price is \$31,000 as of 03/01/2019. This amount is evaluated and approved by the Water and Sewer Board once a year. The value is set from the average cost of all the water currently available for use by the City of Greeley plus storage cost. Cash-in-lieu payments do not have a limitation on the amount of acre-feet purchased. Cash-in-lieu payments occur at the time of building permit issuance, consistent with other development impact fees.

Example: 0.75 AF of raw water required for a $\frac{3}{4}$ " non-residential water tap x \$31,000/AF CIL = \$23,250.00 due (Cash-in-lieu as of $\frac{03}{01}/2019$).

*Limitations may apply.

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