

## TOWN OF WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH

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Dear Town of Wrightsville Beach Resident,

This letter is to inform you that after months of thoughtful discussion to explore the feasibility and merits of a consolidation, the Town of Wrightsville Beach (TOWB) and Cape Fear Public Utility Authority (CFPUA) have finalized an agreement to consolidate their water and sewer systems.

This consolidation will not only address the much-needed rehabilitation of the town's aging water and sewer infrastructure, including hardware and software systems, but it will also address the growing demand for water on Wrightsville Beach due to well contamination, seasonal visitors, and structural issues. Additionally, one goal of the consolidation is for all the town's drinking water to eventually come from the Sweeney Water Treatment Plant, which has the most advanced treatment technology in North Carolina.

The consolidation is expected to be completed over the next 12-15 months. Until the transition is complete, currently estimated to be September 2025, all Wrightsville Beach customers will continue to be served and billed by the TOWB, and all customers should continue to contact the town on all matters relating to their water and sewer services, including billing and maintenance.

After the consolidation is finalized, Wrightsville Beach customers will officially become CFPUA customers and begin paying the same rates and fees as other CFPUA customers. Usage and other factors will determine how individual customers' bills may change under CFPUA's rate structure.

The Board of Aldermen would like to thank Senator Michael Lee and North Carolina State Representative Ted Davis, without whose support this consolidation may not have been possible. The Town of Wrightsville Beach is dedicated to keeping its residents informed during this transition by supplying you with the most updated information related to progress, service, and pricing. We thank you in advance for your patience and cooperation as we proceed with this consolidation to offer our residents a superior water and sewer system.

For more information, including answers to frequently asked questions, visit the Town of Wrightsville Beach website at <a href="https://www.townofwrightsvillebeach.com">www.townofwrightsvillebeach.com</a>

Sincerely.

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