

HCUA FIRST QUARTER FY26 HIGHLIGHTS

SERVING OUR SIX MEMBER COMMUNITIES

HCUA has four major tasks to perform each year for its six members, which include Biloxi, D'Iberville, Gulfport, Long Beach, Pass Christian, and Harrison County. We produce and deliver water; collect and treat wastewater; repair, rehabilitate, replace, or construct water and/or sewer improvements (projects); and collect and dispose of solid waste. With this 1st quarter newsletter, we will discuss some of the highlights of FY&CY25:

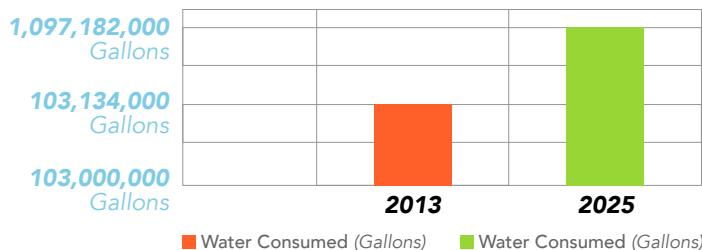
BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

The HCUA total budget for FY25 was \$47,249,775 to perform these 4 major tasks. In 2020, the HCUA refinanced the previous 2016 bonds to take advantage of the low interest rates at that time. Beginning with FY26, we have \$71,574,000 in debt to be retired. Part of the debt will be paid off beginning 2030 and continuing through 2040. This is significant progress since the debt prior to 2016 was \$120+ million. This is a direct result of the Board of Director's leadership.

WATER HIGHLIGHTS

We produced 1,097,182,000 gallons and consumed 1,023,484,313 gallons during CY25. HCUA mainly supplies water wholesale to its 5 member cities, along with 3 private franchises and 2 Public Utility Districts. We also have 439 retail water customers in the county. We've grown since we produced 103,134,000 gallons to supply 2 wholesale customers in FY13. Our 4 water systems are comprised of 14 wells, 12 tanks, and 86 miles of water mains. In cooperation with Harrison County and the state ARPA/MCWI funding program, we've also added water mains on Canal Road and Robinson Road to provide for new retail customers and wholesale water to Gulfport. Because of the diligence and hard work of our water operators, we were once again rated (graded 98/100) very high by MSDH on our 4 water systems.

WATER PRODUCED BETWEEN 2013 & 2025 GALLONS NUMBERS FOR FY13 & CY25



WASTEWATER HIGHLIGHTS

We treated 7,566.95 million gallons of wastewater at our 10 wastewater treatment plants during FY25. We also provide retail sewer service to 1,626 customers in the county. In cooperation with Harrison County and the state ARPA/MCWI funding program, we've also added several wastewater improvements to facilitate community growth and development. We were able to redirect the flow and provide capacity for future growth of the north Gulfport area. In cooperation with Gulfport, using various funding sources, we are providing needed improvements to the North Gulfport wastewater treatment facility. We are replacing the UV disinfection, tertiary filters, and the headworks. We recently were awarded Plant of the Year for the South Woolmarket Wastewater Treatment Facility by the MWPCOA for CY25. This is the 3rd Plant of the Year award that we've received. The previous winners were the Long Beach/Pass Christian and the North D'Iberville Wastewater Treatment Facilities. Our service partner is H2O Innovations in providing wastewater operation and maintenance services and in providing the winning operations for the 3rd Plant of the Year award during FY&CY25.



DID YOU KNOW?

HCUA OVERSEES THE FOLLOWING ASSETS:

- 12 Water Tanks
- 14 Water Wells
- 80 Miles of Water Lines
- 10 Wastewater Treatment Facilities
- 52 Sewer Pump Stations
- 100 Miles of Sewer Lines



PROJECTS HIGHLIGHTS

HCUA performs 2 types of projects on a regular annual basis. The projects are either repair, rehabilitate, replace, or construction-type projects to extend service. HCUA, in cooperation with Harrison County, utilizing the state ARPA/MCWI funding program, has constructed 2 water improvement projects (Canal Rd & Robinson Rd) and 6 wastewater improvement projects (Landon Rd, Canal Rd, Beatline Rd, Traditions-Hwy 67, Superior, & Freddie Frank). HCUA, in cooperation with Gulfport, utilizing the state ARPA/MCWI funding program, is replacing the tertiary filter system and the headworks. These plant improvements will support the future Gulfport growth and flow. In addition, Gulfport and HCUA worked together to restore sewer transmission from the Debays pumpstation to West Biloxi WWTP, transferring 1 million gallons a day of flow from the North Gulfport Plant to West Biloxi Plant. HCUA performed 3 in-house projects to maintain treatment capacity being the Trickling Filter and Clarifier rehabilitation projects at South Gulfport and the construction of a metal roof for the sludge press at the North D'Iberville WWTF.

SOLID WASTE HIGHLIGHTS

We provided garbage, recycling, and debris collection to 50,355 residents during FY25. This is a 1,322-house increase from the previous year. The FY25 success reflects a strong commitment from both the community and the Board.

Communities Served:

- Provided garbage, recycling, and debris collection to 50,355 residents
- Served 1,322 more households than the previous year

Service Partners:

- Waste Management (garbage and recycling)
- Pelican (debris collection)

Garbage & Landfill Collection:

- 47,481.31 tons collected
- Disposed of at Pecan Grove Landfill

Recycling Program:

- 43%+ participation rate
- 4,142.2 tons of material recycled
- Supported by new processing facility in Escambia County, Florida

Debris Collection:

- 17,721 tons collected
- Disposed of at Firetower and Hudson-Krohn facilities

HARRISON COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- President Mayor Rusty Quave, City of D'Iberville
- Vice-President Mayor Hugh Keating, City of Gulfport
- Secretary Mayor Andrew "Fofo" Gilich, City of Biloxi
- Director Supervisor Marlin Ladner, Harrison County
- Director Mayor Kenny Torgeson, City of Pass Christian
- Director Mayor Tim Pierce, City of Long Beach
- Director Supervisor Dan Cuevas, Harrison County

COLLECTION TIPS FOR HAZARDOUS WASTE:

ONLY THESE ITEMS ARE ACCEPTED:

- Latex or oil based paint
- Used cooling or automobile oil
- Antifreeze
- Household, marine & car batteries
- Aerosol cans
- Flammable liquids (such as gasoline)
- White goods (such as freezers & refrigerators)
- Fluorescent light bulbs
- Tires (5 per visit-no more than 25 per household yearly-strictly enforced) cannot be on the rim, and no tractor tires
- E-waste (electronics) such as computers, cell phones, telephones, TV'S

THE FOLLOWING WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED:

Items in a container larger than 5 gallons, herbicides, pesticides, asbestos, rubber cement, roofing material, explosives, pharmaceuticals, chemicals, construction Debris, furniture or waste from business.

Please take your hazardous waste to:

ROCKO-MCFARLAND HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION & RECYCLING CENTER

Drop off times: 2nd Saturday of every month
from 8:00am - Noon

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