

What's this going to cost me?!

Initial Septic Maintenance Cost Breakdown

- Inspection: \$250
- Pumping: \$400-\$600 (depending on the size of the tank)
- Excavation: \$50/hr (if the tank access is buried)
- Risers / Filters*: \$0-\$200
- Operating Permit: \$100-150 (depending on the type of system)

* Risers provide permanent access to the tank at ground level to avoid the need for digging for future inspections. Filters protect the leachfield from solids getting into it resulting from an overfull tank. All newer systems should already have these installed based on current County standards.

Regional Sewer Fees

- \$47.65 per month

This represents the average monthly fee in Humboldt County communities from Rio Dell to Blue Lake. In other words, if you were connected to a sewer system, this is typical of what you would have to pay.

Typical total cost over the first three-year operating permit period:

Septic Maintenance

- \$750-\$1250 (depending on tank size and condition)

Regional Sewer Fees

- \$1,750.40

Typical annual cost:

Septic Maintenance

- \$250-\$335 (depending on tank size and condition)

Regional Sewer Fees

- \$571.80