

Rockdale Water Resources

2025 Operating and 5-Year CIP Budget Presentation

FY25 – Budget Requests

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Vision, Mission & Values

Department Statements





Rockdale Water Resources





○VISION

• To be the premier water and sewer utility in the State of Georgia, championing economic development & service delivery, while embracing environmental stewardship in Rockdale County

∘ MISSION

 Remain Perfectly Positioned to provide the ultimate natural resourceWATER.

∘<u>VALUES</u>

Quality, Dependability & Exceptional Service

Opportunities & Challenges

SUCCESSES

- GAWP 17th Consecutive Platinum Award (Gees Mill WTP)
- Placed 2nd for Best Tasting Drinking Water-District 3
- Launched New Call Center Technology
- GAWP Gold Awards for the five Wastewater Treatment Facilities
- 2023 Consumer Confidence Report confirming no contaminations or violations in our drinking water
- Awarded \$3.8M from a Federal Grant for Water & Sewer Projects
- Awarded \$155,000.00 from the Georgia
 Environmental Finance Authority Drinking Water State
 Revolving Fund for the Lead and Copper Service Line
 Replacement Program
- Finalized Bathymetric Survey Results with USGS

OPPORTUNITIES

- Focus on Aging Water and Sewer Infrastructure
- Workflow management
- Wastewater Capacity
- · Additional Grant funding
- Provide additional training/career development for staff
- Educational Outreach
- Technology (Automation)
- Apprenticeship program for critical water and wastewater personnel

CHALLENGES

- Succession
- Increase in cost of material and supplies
- Competitive Job Market
- Supply Chain

FY25 Goals & Initiatives

Department's Reimagine Rockdale Strategic Plan

Access

- Review, Repair and Replace Aging Infrastructure (Water and Sewer)
- Multiple GDOT/RDOT Water and Sewer Relocation Projects
- Replacement of Copper and Lead Water Service Lines

Equity

- Continuing Education/Training for leaders and emerging leaders
- Partner with local PTAs, schools and social/civic groups through our utility education program
- Audit Water and Sewer Accounts
- Water and Wastewater Apprenticeship Program with ARC and Local College

Innovation

- Champion Conservation and Reduce Financial Impacts to the Utility and its Customers by Automating Leak & High Consumption Alerts
- Implement Streamlined and Self-Service Options for Customer Care & Business Affairs
- Launch Next Phase of Automated Meter Infrastructure (AMI)- Replacing Older AMI Meters with meters with stronger signals to automate meter reading process

Operating Budget Summary

RWR

*Report Provided by Finance

RWR	Budget FY 2024	Proposed FY 2025	Change
Total Operating Expenses	\$45,385,751	\$45,961,681	\$575,930
Total Personnel Services & Benefits	\$5,118,272	\$6,971,716	\$1,853,444
Total Est. Budget impact	\$50,504,023	\$52,933,397	\$2,429,374

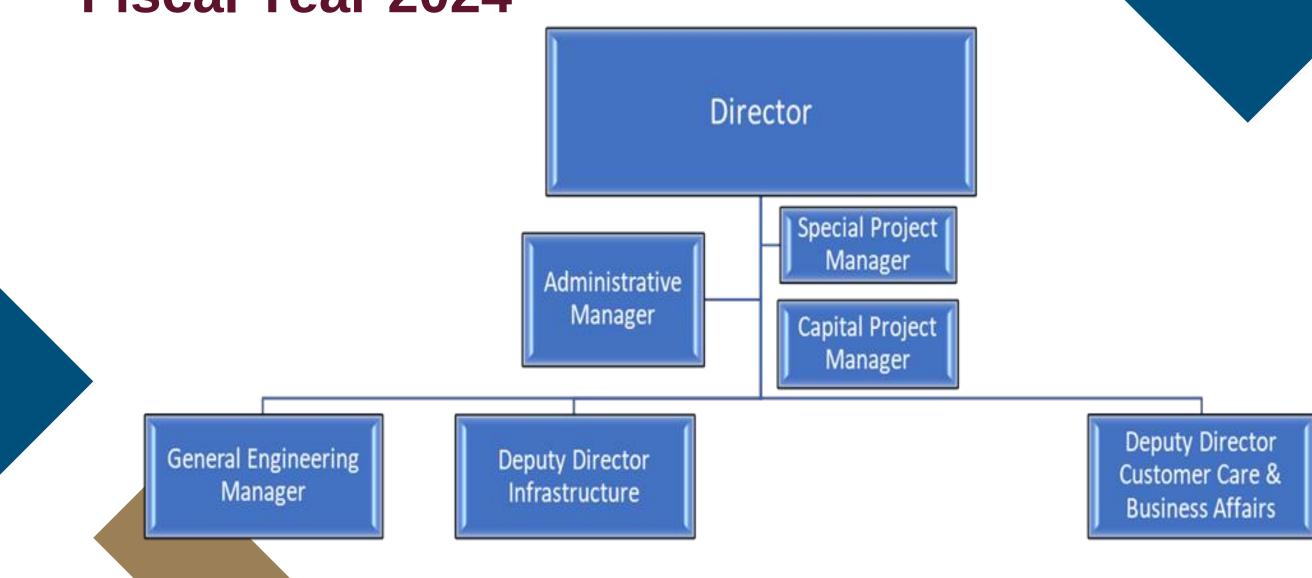
Operating Budget Request

RWR

RWR	Description	FY24 Cost	FY25 Cost	Amount Change			
Technical Services	Contractual services for Water, Wastewater, Customer Service and Engineering Operations	\$14,412,226	\$15,031,314	\$619,088			
Professional Services	Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation and Preventative Maintenance	\$3,075,000	\$3,165,000	\$90,000			
General Supplies & Material	Increase in Material Cost and General Supplies	\$2,354,666	\$2,388,999	\$34,333			
	Total Est. Budget impact						

[•] Actual Budget Impact is \$728,273. Reduced other budget items to offset total budget impact

Fiscal Year 2024

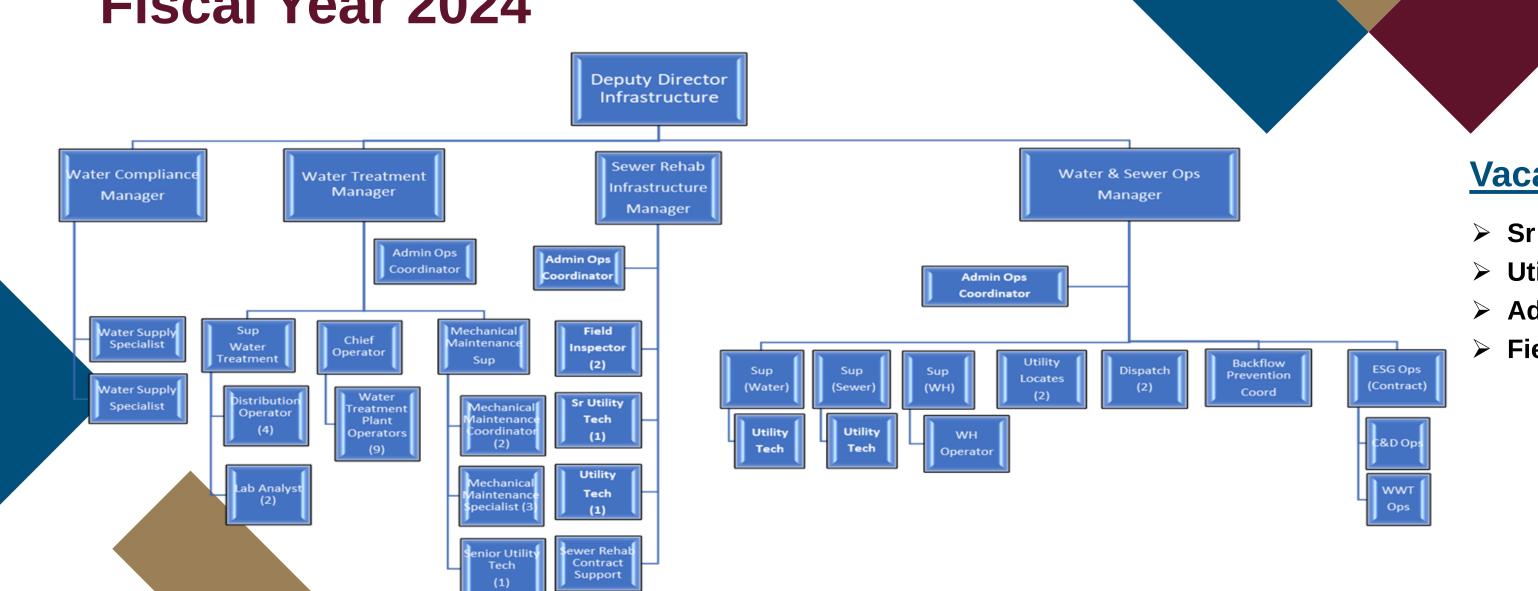


Vacancies

Capital Projects Manager



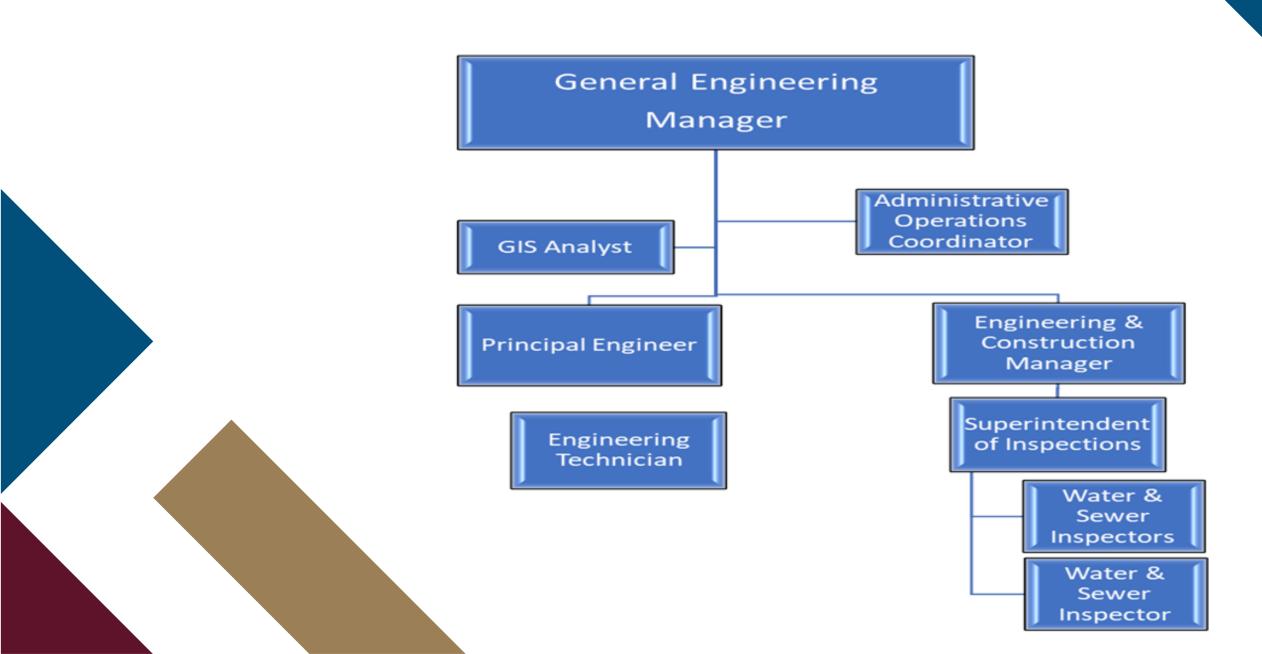
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Vacancies

- > Sr Utility Tech
- Utility Tech (3)
- Admin Ops Coordinator (2)
- Field Inspector (2)

Fiscal Year 2024



Vacancies

> Principal Engineer



Rockdale Water Resources 5-Year CIP Request Summary

Category	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	Five	Year Total
Automotive Equipment	\$ 255,000	\$ 105,000	\$ 35,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$	395,000
Technology Programs & Improvements		\$ 240,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000	\$	840,000
Construction & Heavy Equipment	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ •	\$ -	\$	-
Building Improvements/Renovations/Expansion	\$ 3,855,000	\$ 2,680,000	\$ 1,895,000	\$ 4,500,000	\$ 2,900,000	\$	15,830,000
New Buildings	\$ •	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
Infrastructure Improvements	\$ 19,155,000	\$ 31,735,000	\$ 30,170,000	\$ 13,860,000	\$ 6,450,000	\$	101,370,000



Thank you