

Historical Flows

Port St. Lucie Codes 61.11 (8) (f)

The city may accept, for other than single-family residences, metered water use data from similar establishments in lieu of flow estimates based on the ERC factors set forth in subsections (d)(1), (5), or (6). Historical water use data from the city's own billing records will supersede any data submitted from another water or wastewater utility provider. The use of this flow calculation method shall require:

- a. Submittal of copies of the most recent 12 consecutive months of water bills from comparable servicing utilities for a minimum of six separate similar establishments.
 - i. Similar establishments shall be considered those that are alike or similar in size, located in a similar geographic environment, and that operate a similar number of days per week and hours per day.
 - ii. Similar establishment metered flow values may not be considered reliable indicators of typical water use where one or more of the establishments utilized in the sample has exceeded the monthly flow average for all six establishments by more than 25 percent or where the different establishments demonstrate wide variations in monthly flow totals.
- b. Food operations electing to utilize this method shall require submittal of copies of the most recent 24 months of water bills from comparable servicing utilities for a minimum of six separate similar establishments.
- c. When metered water use data is accepted by the city in lieu of flow estimates based on the ERC factors set forth in subsections (f)(1), (5), or (6), the highest flow that occurred in any month for any of the six similar establishments shall be used for system sizing and plant capacity reservation and line charges if line charges are applicable to the subject property.