



What will you get from increased utility fees and taxes?

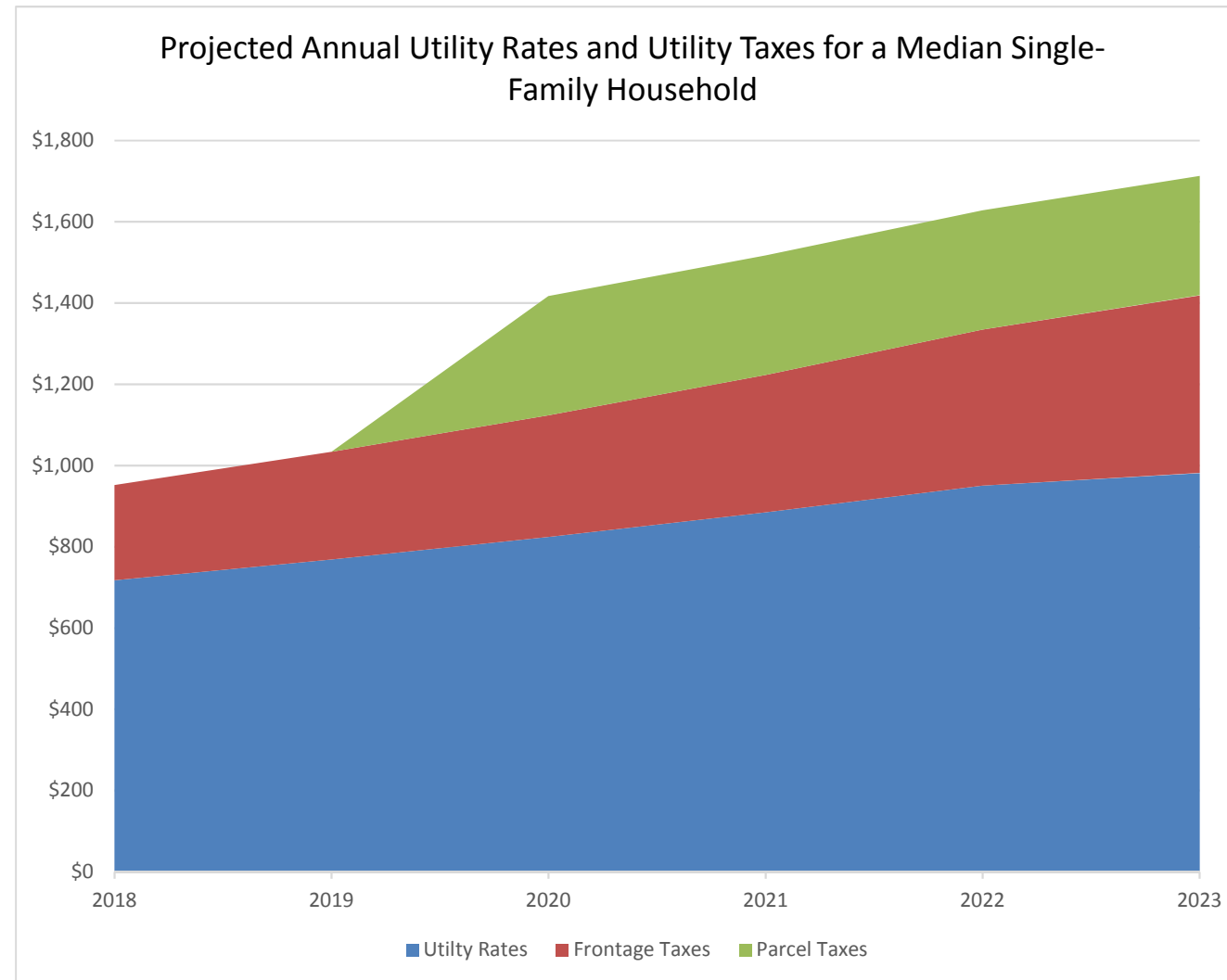
You'll have cleaner and safer drinking water

Work began in summer 2018 to construct a new water treatment plant for Cumberland's surface water reservoirs.

Residents will have better water quality and safer water to drink with the construction of the dual barrier disinfection plant using ultraviolet and on-site chlorine generation. Increased utility rates will also help pay for operating costs of the new treatment plant.

Cumberland received a grant from senior government, which covers 83% of the capital cost of this project. We will begin to pay for our portion of the debt in 2020, likely through a parcel tax.

Cumberland's drinking water will meet the BC Drinking Water Guidelines once the treatment is online in 2019.



We will be able to treat our wastewater (sewage) properly

Electors voted 73% in favour of borrowing funds to upgrade the lagoon treatment system.

We must treat our wastewater in an environmentally responsible way. And we must meet the requirements of our provincial wastewater discharge permit.

We are hopeful that we will receive senior government funding of \$8.5 million. If we do, we will be able to build a complete project and the parcel tax shown in green on the graph will drop from \$294 to \$159 per year. Building the complete project will mean we won't have to make upgrades again for 20 years or so.

Increased utility fees will help to operate the new treatment system.

