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impact of higher gas and energy prices. Economists forecast that annual inflation will worsen significantly, jumping to 3.1% from 2.4% in February, according to a survey by data provider FactSet. On a monthly basis, they expect

consumer prices rose 0.8% in March from February, which would be the biggest increase in almost four years.

The Commerce Department will report the Fed's preferred inflation gauge for February on Thursday, though that won't incorporate any impact from the Iran conflict.

Hammack said that the Cleveland Fed's own estimates show infla-

tion could reach 3.5% in April, which would be the highest since 2024. Inflation spiked to 9.1% in June 2022 before slowly declining.

"Inflation has been running above our target for more than five years now," Hammack said, and a further increase would mean it is "moving in the wrong direction, away from our 2% objective."

The Federal Reserve

is required by Congress to seek low inflation and maximum employment, and higher gas prices could threaten both those mandates, creating a challenging situation for Fed officials.

Consumers may react to higher gas prices by cutting back on their spending elsewhere in the economy, Hammack said, which could lead to weaker growth and

layoffs, which the Fed would need to respond to with rate cuts.

How the war impacts the economy will depend on how long it lasts and how high it lifts gas prices and other costs, Hammack said. Now in its sixth week, the conflict has already lasted longer than she expected when the Fed last met March 17-18, Hammack said.

Hammack said rising

gas prices stemming from the Iran war are "the No. 1 thing" she hears about from people in her district, which covers Ohio and parts of Pennsylvania, West Virginia, and Kentucky.

"We know that causes a lot of pain personally, as it eats up a bigger and bigger share of people's paychecks. So it's important for us to stay focused on it," she added.

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PRINCETON ELECTRIC PLANT BOARD, KENTUCKY GRID RESILIENCE MISCELLANEOUS MATERIALS

Princeton Electric Plant Board is soliciting bids for miscellaneous materials related to the replacement of electric utility poles. This project will be partially funded through the Grid Resilience State and Tribal Formula Grant, implemented by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE), under the Resilient and Efficient Codes Implementation (RECI) Program, and is part of the Kentucky Grid Resilience Grant Program, with a primary focus on improving the resilience of the electric grid against disruptive events caused by severe weather. Bids must be submitted online not later than 12:00 PM CDT on April 22, 2026 through the DFS Procurement Portal at dfs.bonfirehub.com. Award will occur at the Princeton Electric Plant Board office April 29, 2026 at 12:00 PM CDT at 304 E Legion Dr. Princeton, KY 42445.

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE: CIVIL ACTION NO. 25-CI-181

KENTUCKY HOUSING CORPORATION, PLAINTIFF VS. BRYAN Z. PECK, FREDONIA VALLEY BANK AND SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, DEFENDANTS

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale and Summary Judgment entered in the Caldwell Circuit Court on 03/05/2026, in the above action, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the courthouse door, in the City of Princeton, Caldwell County, Kentucky, to the highest bidder at PUBLIC AUCTION on Friday, April 17, 2026 at 10:00 a.m., cash or upon a credit for 30 days, a tract of real estate located at 312 N. Eagle Street, Princeton, Kentucky 42445, Parcel P10-7-13, described more particularly in Deed Book 343, Page 151, Caldwell County Clerk's Office.

The judgments in this case are for approximately \$76,714.87 plus 6.75% per annum interest, late fees, taxes, insurance premiums, maintenance costs, Court costs, assessments, advances and attorney fees of \$3,900.00. The Master Commissioner will take from the purchaser or purchasers cash payment in full, or for the balance of the purchase price, the purchaser must execute a bond with approved surety, which shall bear interest at the rate of 6.75.0% per diem until paid in full, which the judgment bears from date of sale with the balance on credit due and payable to the Commissioner within 30 days. If bond is given, the Commissioner shall require the purchaser to make a cash deposit of 10% of the bid amount. This sale is subject to all ad valorem taxes for prior years. Current year ad valorem taxes not yet due and payable and thereafter shall be paid by the purchaser.

Please note the following: the "approved surety" mentioned above may be a person, bank, or other entity who agrees unconditionally to pay the balance due should the purchaser fail to pay in full within thirty (30) days. If your "approved surety" is a bank Letter of Credit it must be provided to the Commissioner on the day of the sale and state the specific dollar amount they are guaranteeing you without stipulation. A loan commitment is not sufficient. If you are providing a personal surety, said person must be a resident of Caldwell County, present at the time of sale, and must furnish proof that he/she owns property (real or personal) worth at least the amount of the sales price. You must have your down payment and your Letter of Credit or Surety at the time you bid.

*If the successful bid is less than two-thirds (2/3) of the appraised value, the defendant shall retain a right of redemption for six (6) months from date of sale. *Bidders are advised to obtain a title examination in advance of the sale. *Possession of the premises shall pass to the purchaser upon payment of the full purchase price and delivery of deed.

In the event the Plaintiff is the successful purchaser, Plaintiff shall be entitled to a credit of its judgment against the purchase price and shall only be obliged to pay the Court costs, fees and costs of the Master Commissioner and any delinquent real estate taxes payable pursuant to the Order of Sale. Bidders should be prepared to comply promptly with these terms. This Master Commissioner has no knowledge of the property other than what is in the Order and Judgment of Sale. Any announcements made on day of sale shall take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

Barclay W. Banister, Master Commissioner
Septimious Taylor, Plaintiff Attorney

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that there will be a sale by sealed bid of a 2005 Honda Accord, VIN# 1HGCM56475A065598, titled in the name of Lisa Page, on Friday, April 10, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. at Stinnett Truck Repair & Towing, LLC, 11 Majors Loop, Kuttawa, KY 42055, to satisfy the statutory lien against the same for towing and storage. The vehicle being sold may be inspected by appointment at STINNETT TRUCK REPAIR AND TOWING, LLC, 1211 South 4th St, Paducah, KY 42003.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that there will be a sale by sealed bid of a 2018 Kia Forte, VIN# 3KPFK4A73JE218031, titled in the name of Ashley Korth, lienholder of Flagship Credit Acceptance, on Friday, April 10, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. at Stinnett Truck Repair & Towing, LLC, 11 Majors Loop, Kuttawa, KY 42055, to satisfy the statutory lien against the same for towing and storage. The vehicle being sold may be inspected by appointment at STINNETT TRUCK REPAIR AND TOWING, LLC, 1211 South 4th St, Paducah, KY 42003.

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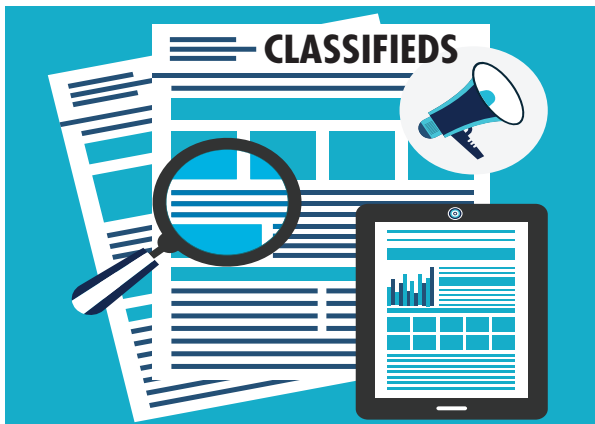
Due to an increase from one of its suppliers, Caldwell County Water District received approval from the Public Service Commission to adjust its rates effective February 10, 2026.

Current Rates				Proposed Rates			
Minimum Bills Based on Meter Size				Minimum Bills Based on Meter Size			
Meter Size	Gals. Incl'd. in Minimum	Minimum Monthly Bill	Percent Increase	Meter Size	Gals. Incl'd. in Minimum	Minimum Monthly Bill	Percent Increase
All Size Meters	1,000	\$ 30.47	0.44	All Size Meter	1,000	\$ 30.91	1.44
Rates for Water Usage in Addition to Minimum				Rates for Water Usage in Addition to Minimum			
No. of Gallons per Month	Charge per gal.			No. of Gallons per Month	Charge per gal.		
First 1,000 Gallons (lump sum)	\$ 30.47		0.44	First 1,000 Gallons (lump sum)	\$ 30.91		1.44
Next 3,000 Gallons	0.01637		2.69	Next 3,000 Gallons	\$ 0.01681		0.00044
Next 6,000 Gallons	0.01354		3.25	Next 6,000 Gallons	\$ 0.01398		0.00044
Next 20,000 Gallons	0.01072		4.10	Next 20,000 Gallons	\$ 0.01116		0.00044
Over 30,000 Gallons	0.00953		4.62	Over 30,000 Gallons	\$ 0.00997		0.00044

The monthly bill for an average customer using 5,000 gallons per month will increase from \$93.12 to \$95.32 this is an increase of 2.36%.

Caldwell County Water District has available for inspection at its office the application which it submitted to the Public Service Commission. A person may examine this application at Caldwell County Water District office located at 118 W Market St. Princeton, KY, KY 42445. You may contact the office at 270-365-9381.

A person may also examine the application at the Public Service Commission's offices located at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, 40601, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or through the Public Service Commission's website at <http://psc.ky.gov>.



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