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The cost of managing increasing paint volumes has outpaced the program’s fee based revenue. Without increased fees, Oregon PaintCare would not be able to meet it’s obligations under the state’s paint stewardship law. The proposed fees are as follows:

Size	Current	Proposed
Half pint or smaller	\$0.00	\$0.00
Larger than half pint to smaller than 1 gallon	\$0.35	\$0.45
1 gallon	\$0.75	N/A
1 gallon up to 2 gallons	N/A	\$0.95
Larger than 1 gallon up to 5 gallons	\$1.60	N/A
Larger than 2 gallons up to 5 gallons	N/A	\$1.95

The new fee structure would take effect 120 days after approval by DEQ, but not before Nov. 1, 2017.



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