

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
ON PROPOSED CHANGES IN RATES, FEES AND CHARGES  
FOR MARINA COAST WATER DISTRICT SERVICE AREAS**

**Marina and the Ord Service Area**

**(Proposition 218 Notice)**

**Public Hearing for Marina Service Area:** June 14, 2011, 7:00 p.m., MCWD Office, 11 Reservation Road, Marina, CA

**Public Hearing for Ord Service Area:** June 10, 2011, 3:00 p.m., Carpenters Union Hall, 910 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Marina, CA

The Marina Coast Water District (MCWD) proposes to update the water and wastewater rates, fees and charges in order to be able to continue to operate, maintain and improve the District's water and wastewater facilities for the areas MCWD serves in Marina and on the former Fort Ord. The area the District serves on the former Ft. Ord is known as the "Ord Service Area." Except as changed by these updates, other existing rates, fees and charges will remain in effect. Changes to rates, fees and charges for the Ord Service Area require approval by both MCWD and the Fort Ord Reuse Authority (FORA).

**PROPOSED INCREASE FOR WATER AND WASTEWATER RATES.** The District currently charges customers a monthly fee for water based on the amount of the water consumed. The monthly consumption rate is currently an inclining block with three tiers. The District currently charges a flat rate for wastewater services. The District proposes to increase water and wastewater rates as set forth herein.

**PROPOSED INCREASE FOR WATER AND WASTEWATER SERVICE FEES.**

The District currently charges monthly service fees as a condition of service, based on the cost of labor and materials necessary to provide the services. The District proposes to increase water and wastewater service fees as set forth herein.

**REASON FOR THE INCREASES.** Since the last rate increase, the costs of energy, labor, raw materials and all other components necessary to provide water and wastewater services and to maintain and repair the facilities used to provide such services have increased. The proposed 4.9% for FY 2011/2012 and 5.0% for FY 2012/2013 increases are based on information presented by engineering and financial advisors to the Boards of Directors of FORA and MCWD demonstrating the need to increase rates, fees and charges to maintain water and wastewater services within the MCWD's existing service areas. The specific information relating to the need for the rate increase as well as the calculation of the amount of the increase is on file at the MCWD's office.

**HOW THE RATES, FEES AND CHARGES WERE CALCULATED.** A study has been conducted by an independent consulting firm. That study concluded that rates higher than the proposed rates will provide enough funds for the District to recover the cost of operation & maintenance and administration. The District has determined certain cost areas to reduce in order to propose rates lower than rates recommended in the study. All rates, fees and charges are calculated based on the cost to provide services. The water rates are calculated based on the amount of water used. Wastewater rates are calculated based on the amount of wastewater discharged, measured by equivalent dwelling units (one residence equals one dwelling unit).

**PROPOSED CHANGE IN WATER AND WASTEWATER RATES.**

**CENTRAL MARINA MONTHLY WATER RATES**

EXISTING RATE	PROPOSED RATE
<b>Water Consumption Charge</b>	<b>Water Consumption Charge</b>
	Effective July 1, 2011
\$2.08 per hcf (0-8 hcf)	\$2.18 per hcf (0-8 hcf)
\$2.53 per hcf (9-16 hcf)	\$2.66 per hcf (9-16 hcf)
\$4.62 per hcf (16 + hcf)	\$4.85 per hcf (16 + hcf)
	Effective July 1, 2012
	\$2.29 per hcf (0-8 hcf)
	\$2.79 per hcf (9-16 hcf)
	\$5.09 per hcf (16 + hcf)

One hcf, or hundred cubic feet, is 748 gallons

**CENTRAL MARINA MONTHLY WASTEWATER RATES**

EXISTING RATE	PROPOSED RATE
\$8.30 per equivalent dwelling unit	Effective July 1, 2011
	\$8.71 per equivalent dwelling unit
	Effective July 1, 2012
	\$9.15 per equivalent dwelling unit

**CENTRAL MARINA MONTHLY WATER SERVICE FEES**

EXISTING FEE	METER SIZE	PROPOSED FEE (Effective July 1, 2011)	PROPOSED FEE (Effective July 1, 2012)
\$17.11	5/8" or 3/4"	\$17.95	\$18.85
\$42.75	1"	\$44.85	\$47.09
\$85.51	1-1/2"	\$89.70	\$94.19
\$136.80	2"	\$143.50	\$150.68
\$256.50	3"	\$269.07	\$282.52
\$427.50	4"	\$448.45	\$470.87
\$855.00	6"	\$896.90	\$941.75
\$1,710.01	8"	\$1,793.80	\$1,883.49
\$78.40	Temporary Water Service	\$82.24	\$86.35

### ORD SERVICE AREA MONTHLY WATER RATES

EXISTING RATE	PROPOSED RATE
<b>Water Consumption Charge</b>  <div style="text-align: right;">                     \$2.22 per hcf (0-8 hcf)                      \$3.12 per hcf (9-16 hcf)                      \$4.02 per hcf (16 + hcf)                 </div> <b>Monthly Flat Rate Billing</b>  <div style="text-align: right;">                     \$80.40 per unit without meter                 </div> <b>Monthly Capital Surcharge Billing (for new connection)</b>  <div style="text-align: right;">                     \$20.00 per edu per month                 </div>	<b>Water Consumption Charge</b>  Effective July 1, 2011 <div style="text-align: right;">                     \$2.33 per hcf (0-8 hcf)                      \$3.27 per hcf (9-16 hcf)                      \$4.22 per hcf (16 + hcf)                 </div> Effective July 1, 2012 <div style="text-align: right;">                     \$2.45 per hcf (0-8 hcf)                      \$3.43 per hcf (9-16 hcf)                      \$4.43 per hcf (16 + hcf)                 </div> <b>Monthly Flat Rate Billing</b>  Effective July 1, 2011 <div style="text-align: right;">                     \$84.34 per unit without meter                 </div> Effective July 1, 2012 <div style="text-align: right;">                     \$88.56 per unit without meter                 </div> <b>Monthly Capital Surcharge Billing (for new connection)</b>  Effective July 1, 2011 <div style="text-align: right;">                     \$20.00 per edu per month                 </div> Effective July 1, 2012 <div style="text-align: right;">                     \$20.00 per edu per month                 </div>

One hcf, or hundred cubic feet, is 748 gallons, edu - equivalent dwelling unit

### ORD SERVICE AREA MONTHLY WASTEWATER RATES

EXISTING RATE	PROPOSED RATE
<div style="text-align: right;">                     \$24.36 per equivalent dwelling unit                 </div> <b>Monthly Capital Surcharge Billing (for new connection)</b>  <div style="text-align: right;">                     \$5.00 per edu per month                 </div>	Effective July 1, 2011 <div style="text-align: right;">                     \$25.56 per equivalent dwelling unit                 </div> Effective July 1, 2012 <div style="text-align: right;">                     \$26.84 per equivalent dwelling unit                 </div> <b>Monthly Capital Surcharge Billing (for new connection)</b>  Effective July 1, 2011 <div style="text-align: right;">                     \$5.00 per edu per month                 </div> Effective July 1, 2012 <div style="text-align: right;">                     \$5.00 per edu per month                 </div>

### ORD SERVICE AREA MONTHLY WATER SERVICE FEES

EXISTING FEE	METER SIZE	PROPOSED FEE (Effective July 1, 2011)	PROPOSED FEE (Effective July 1, 2012)
\$16.31	5/8" or 3/4"	\$17.11	\$17.97
\$40.76	1"	\$42.76	\$44.90
\$81.50	1-1/2"	\$85.49	\$89.76
\$130.39	2"	\$136.78	\$143.62
\$244.49	3"	\$256.47	\$269.29
\$407.48	4"	\$427.45	\$448.82
\$814.96	6"	\$854.89	\$897.63
\$1,629.93	8"	\$1,709.79	\$1,795.28
\$78.40	Temporary Water Service	\$82.24	\$86.35

**PUBLIC HEARING – ORD SERVICE AREA.** The MCWD Board and the FORA Board will hold a public meeting at 3:00 p.m. on June 10 2011 at the Carpenters Union Hall at 910 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Marina, California. At the hearing, FORA and the MCWD will consider all protests against the proposed increases in rates, fees and charges. If written protests against any proposed change are presented by a majority of owners and tenants who pay their bills directly to MCWD, FORA and MCWD will not impose the change.

**PUBLIC HEARING – CENTRAL MARINA SERVICE AREA.** The MCWD Board will hold a public meeting at 7:00 p.m. on June 14, 2011 at the MCWD Office at 11 Reservation Road, Marina, California. At the hearing, the MCWD will consider all protests against the proposed increases in rates, fees and charges. If written protests against any proposed change are presented by a majority of owners and tenants who pay their bills directly to MCWD, MCWD will not impose the change.

**PROTESTS TO PROPOSED CHARGES.** If you are the owner of record of a parcel or parcels served by the MCWD or you are a tenant who makes payment directly to the MCWD for rates, fees and charges for water and wastewater services, you may submit a protest against the proposed rates, fees and charges by filing a **written protest** with the District at or before the time set for the public hearing. If written protests are presented by a majority of owners, including tenants who make direct payment to MCWD, MCWD and FORA will not impose the new rates, fees and charges. A protest must contain a description of the parcel or parcels in which the party signing the protest has an interest, sufficient to identify the parcel(s). If the party signing the protest is not shown on the last equalized assessment roll of Monterey County as the owner of the parcel(s), the protest must contain, or be accompanied by, written evidence that such party is the owner of the parcel(s) or is a tenant who makes payments directly to the MCWD for water and wastewater rates, fees and charges (a copy of recent MCWD bill would be sufficient evidence). Only one protest per property will be counted. Protests regarding the proposed charges may be mailed or personally delivered to: **Marina Coast Water District, 11 Reservation Road, Marina, CA 93933-2099, and must be received by the time set for the public hearing.**

If you have any questions about this notice, please call MCWD at (831) 384-6131 during regular business hours.

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**PROTEST FORM**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Parcel (Service Address): \_\_\_\_\_

Assessor's Parcel Number (if known): \_\_\_\_\_

Reason for Protest: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_