



Summary of Proposed New Water, Sewer, and Recycled Water Rates

Proposed new water, sewer, and recycled water rates. Over the past several months, the Marina Coast Water District (District) has evaluated its operational and facility requirements for the next five years. We had two primary objectives: ensure that our rates remain fair for all customer classes and generate sufficient revenue to fund continued high-quality service for all customers and fund critical facility improvements. After developing detailed financial and engineering plans, the District is proposing a number of rate adjustments that are described in this notice.

The proposed rate adjustments are designed to support about \$50 million in investment in water, sewer, and recycled water facilities over the next five years. This investment is needed to renew and replace critical facilities necessary to provide quality and reliable service to customers. The proposed rates will also fund ever-increasing water and sewer operational and maintenance costs, including engineering, operations, pumping, treatment repairs, and regulatory compliance replacements.

Fair Rates that Fund Quality Service for Customers. The impact of the rate adjustments in the first year (starting on July 1, 2024) will vary among customers, depending on the customer class (Single Family, Multifamily, and Nonresidential), meter size and water usage behavior. The variations are a result of structural changes to the rates, which were calculated based on a detailed analysis to ensure each customer pays their share of costs.

By providing adequate revenue, the proposed rates will ensure that the District can continue to provide quality service in the coming years.

Steps taken to increase efficiency and lower costs before considering rate changes. In the face of constantly rising operational and administrative costs, MCWD takes ongoing action to keep costs down. For example:

- The District obtained about \$9.9 million in grants in the last 5 years.
- Staff completed large facility projects in-house, saving time and money from outsourcing.
- Staff optimized water pump station operations to ensure the District does most pumping during the lowest-cost PG&E hours.
- Staff are cross-trained to perform water, sewer, and recycled water distribution, sewer collections, pumps, and mechanical functions, reducing the number of

workers needed and allowing for quicker responses.

- Continued major decrease in overtime cost without affecting the quality of service to customers.

Sample Bills

The examples below are for the average user in a single-family home. Individual customers will pay more or less depending on their usage. The District is also adjusting rates for Water Shortage Surcharges and Private Fire Meter Charges and those rates are available in the Rate Study.

Marina Water: the average single-family home user will see a \$17.33 per month increase. The average percentage revenue increase is 15% per year over five years

Marina Sewer: the average single-family home user will see a \$0.72 per month increase. The percentage increases over the five years is 13%, per year over five years

Ord Water: the average single-family home user will see a \$14.89 per month increase. The average percentage revenue increase is 8% per year over five years

Ord Sewer: the average single-family home user will see a \$2.50 per month increase. The average percentage revenue increase is 4% per year over five years

Please Contact Us with Questions or Comments

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