

**~~ NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ~~**

**PROPOSED ADJUSTMENT TO**  
**WATER RATES AND SERVICE CHARGES**

Rainbow Municipal Water District will hold a public hearing on November 19, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. in the Board Meeting Room, 3707 Old Highway 395, Fallbrook, California in compliance with article XIID, Section 6(a) of the California Constitution prior to the proposed adoption of water rates or service charges. District staff and the Budget/Finance Committee have recommended specific increases in water rates and related charges. The District Board of Directors will consider adoption of those rates and charges after receiving public input at the public hearing on November 19th.

**THE PROPOSED WATER AND SEWER RATES AND CHARGES WOULD BE EFFECTIVE FOR THE BILLING CYCLES BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2014 UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE.**

**WATER RATES (COMMODITY CHARGE)**

The commodity charge is based on actual water usage. Approximately 80% of this charge pays for the cost of the water purchased from San Diego County Water Authority and Metropolitan Water District of Southern California.

Type	Current Rate per Unit (HCF)	Proposed Rate per Unit (HCF)	\$ Change
Domestic Units 1-6	\$ 2.95	\$ 3.00	\$ .05
Domestic Units 7 and more	\$ 3.03	\$ 3.15	\$ .12
SAWR Agric Rate	\$ 2.75	\$ 2.83	\$ .08
Ag/Domestic Units 1-6	\$ 2.95	\$ 3.00	\$ .05
Ag/Domestic Units 7-26	\$ 3.03	\$ 3.15	\$ .12
Ag/domestic Units 27 and more	\$ 2.75	\$ 2.83	\$ .08

**OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE METER CHARGES**

The fixed monthly O & M meter charge is determined by the capacity (maximum flow) of the meter. The proposed rates listed in the chart below are calculated to recover 52% of Rainbow's fixed operating cost which does not include the wholesale cost of water.

Meter Size	Current Monthly Rate	Proposed Monthly Rate	\$ Change
5/8"	\$ 27.00	\$ 28.35	\$ 1.35
3/4"	\$ 33.75	\$ 35.45	\$ 1.70
1"	\$ 43.90	\$ 46.10	\$ 2.20
1½"	\$ 67.50	\$ 70.90	\$ 3.40
2"	\$ 118.15	\$ 124.05	\$ 5.90
3"	\$ 202.55	\$ 212.70	\$ 10.15
4"	\$ 337.60	\$ 354.50	\$ 16.90
6"	\$ 573.90	\$ 602.60	\$ 28.70

## SEWER CHARGES

The monthly sewer charge is based on your lowest monthly water usage for the period December 2012 through April 2013. The winter months represent the wettest season of the year therefore outdoor watering should be at its lowest levels which also equates to mostly indoor water usage that ultimately flows into the sewer system. The monthly sewer charge pays for the cost of collecting and treating the sewage as well as maintenance of the pipelines, pumps and equipment.

Lowest Monthly Water Usage	Current Monthly Rate	Proposed Monthly Rate	\$ Change
1 Unit	\$ 25.76	\$ 28.70	\$ 2.94
2 Units	\$ 31.90	\$ 35.70	\$ 3.80
3 Units	\$ 38.05	\$ 42.50	\$ 4.45
4 Units	\$ 44.19	\$ 49.40	\$ 5.21
5 Units	\$ 50.34	\$ 56.20	\$ 5.86
6 Units	\$ 56.48	\$ 63.20	\$ 6.72
7 Units	\$ 56.48	\$ 63.20	\$ 6.72
8 Units	\$ 56.48	\$ 63.20	\$ 6.72
9 Units	\$ 56.48	\$ 63.20	\$ 6.72
10 Units	\$ 56.48	\$ 63.20	\$ 6.72
11 Units and more	\$ 68.54	\$ 75.50	\$ 6.96
Commercial	\$ 68.54	\$ 75.50	\$ 6.96

### MWD/SDCWA FIXED FEES

The fixed monthly meter fee for certified agricultural users is proposed to increase by 8.5% for Certified Agricultural customers and 11% for all other customers. This meter charge is a direct pass through to Rainbow MWD customers. San Diego County Water Authority and Metropolitan Water District have increased their annual charge to Rainbow. The Certified Agricultural customers do not receive the benefit of the Emergency Storage Program therefore that component of the charge is not passed on to certified agricultural users. The Emergency Storage Program is only available to the residential customers of the region.

The change in rates is for the purpose of generating revenues to support the costs of operations, maintenance, and upgrade/expansion of water infrastructure of the water wholesalers.

Meter Size	Certified Agriculture Charge	Certified Ag/Domestic Charge	Domestic Charge
5/8-inch	\$ 16.17	\$ 30.48	\$ 30.48
¾ inch	\$ 16.17	\$ 30.48	\$ 30.48
1 inch	\$ 25.87	\$ 48.77	\$ 48.77
1 ½ inch	\$ 48.50	\$ 91.44	\$ 91.44
2 inch	\$ 84.07	\$ 91.44	\$ 158.49
3 inch	\$ 145.50	\$ 91.44	\$ 274.31
4 inch	\$ 258.66	\$ 91.44	\$ 487.66
6 inch	\$ 581.99	\$ 91.44	\$1,097.24

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