

**Proposition 218 Notification****NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS AND TENANTS OF REAL PROPERTY WHO ARE DIRECTLY LIABLE TO PAY WATER BILLS OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED WATER RATE ADJUSTMENTS**

Hearing Date and Time: December 15, 2022 at 4:00 PM  
Hearing Location: Rubidoux Community Services District, Board Room,  
3590 Rubidoux Blvd., Jurupa Valley, CA 92509

**Why Water Rate Adjustments are Needed**

Rubidoux Community Services District (the "District") has made significant improvements and implemented efficiencies to the water production and distribution system. Most notably, the District was given approximately 2-years to respond/mitigate the emergence of the presence of PFAS contaminants in the groundwater pumped for potable supplies. This was accomplished by implementing new treatment processes at the Anita B. Smith and Leland Thompson Water Treatment Facilities. The total project costs for mitigating these contaminants were approximately \$5 million, all of which was funded through various District reserve accounts. In September 2021, the District successfully achieved non-detect in its potable water for PFAS contaminants.

Along with these new capital improvements has come additional routine operating costs, most notable the periodic change out of media (GAC or resin) held in the pressure vessels of the new PFAS treatment, and additional energy costs and sampling, among other costs. Lastly, supply chain issues on various District parts/chemicals, combined with the rising cost of inflation has put significant financial constraints on the District's operating budget.

The District's infrastructure assets are starting to show their age. The District's four (4) potable water tanks are 20+ years old. The cost of refurbishing these tanks is approximately \$4 to \$5 million.

The above financial impacts in the water system are new to the District and are not captured in the District's current rate structure. In January 2022, the District began a Comprehensive Cost of Services Study ("COSS") to confirm the adequacy of revenues to operate, maintain, and replace system assets to meet current and long-term needs of the District. At the conclusion of the COSS, it was determined the existing rates are not adequate to meet the District's future financial obligations to ensure safe and reliable water supplies are available 24 hours a day – 365 days per year. A draft copy of the Administrative Record provided at the conclusion of the COSS is currently located on the District website at [www.rcsd.org](http://www.rcsd.org) or may be obtained from the District office during normal business hours at the address noted above.

**Hearing**

Proposition 218 governs the procedures to adjust rates and requires that the District provide notice of the proposed rate schedule to all property owners and tenants of real property who are directly liable to pay water bills a minimum of forty-five (45) days prior to holding a Public Hearing. For the proposed water rates to "not take effect," a majority of the property owners and tenants of real property who are directly liable to pay water bills are required to file opposition to the proposed water rates.

In accordance with AB 3030, the District hearing will include consideration of adopting an ordinance that will authorize the District to adjust rates for a five-year period commencing on July 1, 2023, through July 1, 2027. Such adjustments may be imposed annually provided however that the cost components to provide the service are not more than the stated amounts reflected in the notice. Pursuant to AB 3030, the District must and will conduct a 30-day review period followed by a Public Hearing to effectuate all proposed water rate scheduled adjustments in subsequent years.

**Property owners and tenants of real property who are directly liable to pay water bills may file a written and signed protest against the proposed water rates with the General Manager at or before the close of the Public Hearing, December 15, 2022.**

A protest must contain a description of the property owned or being rented sufficient to identify the property. If you own or rent more than one parcel, you may file a single protest, but it must identify each parcel you own or rent that is located in the District's service area. If the name on the written protest is not shown on the last equalized assessment roll of the County as the owner of the property, the signer of the protest must also submit written evidence of ownership or tenancy. At the Public Hearing, the Board of Directors shall hear all testimony for and against the proposed water rates and tabulate the submitted protests. There must be a 50% plus one to negate the proposed water rates.

The Board of Directors will hold a Public Hearing on the proposed water rates on Thursday, December 15, 2022 at 4:00 PM at the Rubidoux Community Services District, Board Room, 3590 Rubidoux Blvd., Jurupa Valley, CA 92509.

**Written protests may be mailed or delivered in person to: Rubidoux Community Services District, 3590 Rubidoux Blvd., Jurupa Valley, CA 92509 Attention: General Manager**

**Impact of Proposed Water Rate Adjustments**

The proposed water rate adjustments would be implemented effective July 1 of the five-year period (2023-2027). The proposed water rates will have varying impacts on customers depending on meter size, customer class and usage characteristics. Proposed water rates for each customer class are detailed in the Water Rate Tables below. Additionally, the proposed water rates may be viewed in the draft Administrative Record.

Fixed Meter Charges (\$/Month)						
<i>Effective Date</i>	<i>July 1, 2023</i>	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	<i>July 1, 2025</i>	<i>July 1, 2026</i>	<i>July 1, 2027</i>	<i>July 1, 2028</i>
Meter Size	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	
5/8"	\$ 34.33	\$ 36.22	\$ 38.22	\$ 40.33	\$ 42.55	
3/4"	\$ 39.97	\$ 42.17	\$ 44.49	\$ 46.94	\$ 49.53	
1"	\$ 51.24	\$ 54.06	\$ 57.04	\$ 60.18	\$ 63.49	
1 1/2"	\$ 79.41	\$ 83.78	\$ 88.39	\$ 93.26	\$ 98.39	
2"	\$ 113.22	\$ 119.45	\$ 126.02	\$ 132.96	\$ 140.28	
3"	\$ 220.29	\$ 232.41	\$ 245.20	\$ 258.69	\$ 272.92	
4"	\$ 378.07	\$ 398.86	\$ 420.80	\$ 443.95	\$ 468.37	
6"	\$ 755.61	\$ 797.17	\$ 841.02	\$ 887.28	\$ 936.09	

Fixed Dwelling Unit (DU) Charges (\$/Month)						
<i>Effective Date</i>	<i>July 1, 2023</i>	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	<i>July 1, 2025</i>	<i>July 1, 2026</i>	<i>July 1, 2027</i>	<i>July 1, 2028</i>
	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	
Additional DU	\$ 23.06	\$ 24.33	\$ 25.67	\$ 27.09	\$ 28.58	

Variable Rates (\$/HCF*)						
<i>Effective Date</i>	<i>July 1, 2023</i>	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	<i>July 1, 2025</i>	<i>July 1, 2026</i>	<i>July 1, 2027</i>	<i>July 1, 2028</i>
Customer Class	Tier Definitions (HCF)	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
<b>Single-Family Residential</b>						
Tier 1	1-13	\$ 2.37	\$ 2.51	\$ 2.65	\$ 2.80	\$ 2.96
Tier 2	14-24	\$ 2.41	\$ 2.55	\$ 2.70	\$ 2.85	\$ 3.01
Tier 3	25+	\$ 2.60	\$ 2.75	\$ 2.91	\$ 3.08	\$ 3.25
<b>Multi-Family Residential</b>						
Tier 1	1-7	\$ 2.39	\$ 2.53	\$ 2.67	\$ 2.82	\$ 2.98
Tier 2	8+	\$ 2.45	\$ 2.59	\$ 2.74	\$ 2.90	\$ 3.06
<b>Non-Residential</b>						
	Uniform	\$ 2.42	\$ 2.56	\$ 2.71	\$ 2.86	\$ 3.02

\* 1 HCF is 100 cubic feet, or 748 gallons of water.

The proposed Water Shortage Contingency Plan ("WSCP") water rates by stage would be effective July 1 of the five-year period (2023-2027) and could be implemented by the Board during periods of prolonged water usage reduction. Proposed WSCP rates for each customer class are detailed in the Water Rate Tables below.

Proposed WSCP Rates by Class & Tier		FY 2024 (Effective July 1, 2023)							
Customer Class	Tier Definitions (HCF)	Baseline	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4	Stage 5	Stage 6	
Single-Family Residential									
Tier 1	1-13	\$ 2.37	\$ 2.58	\$ 2.81	\$ 3.11	\$ 3.51	\$ 4.07	\$ 4.90	
Tier 2	14-24	\$ 2.41	\$ 2.62	\$ 2.86	\$ 3.16	\$ 3.57	\$ 4.14	\$ 4.99	
Tier 3	25+	\$ 2.60	\$ 2.83	\$ 3.09	\$ 3.41	\$ 3.85	\$ 4.47	\$ 5.38	
Multi-Family Residential									
Tier 1	1-7	\$ 2.39	\$ 2.60	\$ 2.84	\$ 3.14	\$ 3.54	\$ 4.11	\$ 4.95	
Tier 2	8+	\$ 2.45	\$ 2.66	\$ 2.91	\$ 3.22	\$ 3.63	\$ 4.21	\$ 5.07	
Non-Residential	Uniform	\$ 2.42	\$ 2.63	\$ 2.87	\$ 3.18	\$ 3.58	\$ 4.16	\$ 5.01	

Proposed WSCP Rates by Class & Tier		FY 2025 (Effective July 1, 2024)							
Customer Class	Tier Definitions (HCF)	Baseline	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4	Stage 5	Stage 6	
Single-Family Residential									
Tier 1	1-13	\$ 2.51	\$ 2.73	\$ 2.98	\$ 3.30	\$ 3.73	\$ 4.32	\$ 5.21	
Tier 2	14-24	\$ 2.55	\$ 2.77	\$ 3.03	\$ 3.35	\$ 3.79	\$ 4.39	\$ 5.30	
Tier 3	25+	\$ 2.75	\$ 2.99	\$ 3.27	\$ 3.61	\$ 4.08	\$ 4.74	\$ 5.71	
Multi-Family Residential									
Tier 1	1-7	\$ 2.53	\$ 2.75	\$ 3.01	\$ 3.33	\$ 3.76	\$ 4.36	\$ 5.25	
Tier 2	8+	\$ 2.59	\$ 2.82	\$ 3.08	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.84	\$ 4.46	\$ 5.38	
Non-Residential	Uniform	\$ 2.56	\$ 2.78	\$ 3.04	\$ 3.37	\$ 3.80	\$ 4.41	\$ 5.32	

Proposed WSCP Rates by Class & Tier		FY 2026 (Effective July 1, 2025)							
Customer Class	Tier Definitions (HCF)	Baseline	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4	Stage 5	Stage 6	
Single-Family Residential									
Tier 1	1-13	\$ 2.65	\$ 2.88	\$ 3.15	\$ 3.49	\$ 3.94	\$ 4.58	\$ 5.52	
Tier 2	14-24	\$ 2.70	\$ 2.94	\$ 3.21	\$ 3.55	\$ 4.01	\$ 4.66	\$ 5.62	
Tier 3	25+	\$ 2.91	\$ 3.17	\$ 3.46	\$ 3.83	\$ 4.33	\$ 5.03	\$ 6.06	
Multi-Family Residential									
Tier 1	1-7	\$ 2.67	\$ 2.90	\$ 3.17	\$ 3.51	\$ 3.97	\$ 4.61	\$ 5.56	
Tier 2	8+	\$ 2.74	\$ 2.98	\$ 3.26	\$ 3.61	\$ 4.07	\$ 4.73	\$ 5.71	
Non-Residential	Uniform	\$ 2.71	\$ 2.95	\$ 3.22	\$ 3.57	\$ 4.03	\$ 4.68	\$ 5.64	

Proposed WSCP Rates by Class & Tier		FY 2027 (Effective July 1, 2026)							
Customer Class	Tier Definitions (HCF)	Baseline	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4	Stage 5	Stage 6	
Single-Family Residential									
Tier 1	1-13	\$ 2.80	\$ 3.05	\$ 3.33	\$ 3.69	\$ 4.17	\$ 4.84	\$ 5.84	
Tier 2	14-24	\$ 2.85	\$ 3.10	\$ 3.39	\$ 3.75	\$ 4.24	\$ 4.93	\$ 5.94	
Tier 3	25+	\$ 3.08	\$ 3.35	\$ 3.66	\$ 4.06	\$ 4.58	\$ 5.33	\$ 6.42	
Multi-Family Residential									
Tier 1	1-7	\$ 2.82	\$ 3.07	\$ 3.35	\$ 3.71	\$ 4.20	\$ 4.88	\$ 5.88	
Tier 2	8+	\$ 2.90	\$ 3.16	\$ 3.45	\$ 3.82	\$ 4.32	\$ 5.02	\$ 6.05	
Non-Residential	Uniform	\$ 2.86	\$ 3.11	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.77	\$ 4.26	\$ 4.95	\$ 5.97	

Proposed WSCP Rates by Class & Tier		FY 2028 (Effective July 1, 2027)							
Customer Class	Tier Definitions (HCF)	Baseline	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4	Stage 5	Stage 6	
Single-Family Residential									
Tier 1	1-13	\$ 2.96	\$ 3.22	\$ 3.52	\$ 3.90	\$ 4.40	\$ 5.11	\$ 6.17	
Tier 2	14-24	\$ 3.01	\$ 3.28	\$ 3.58	\$ 3.96	\$ 4.48	\$ 5.20	\$ 6.27	
Tier 3	25+	\$ 3.25	\$ 3.54	\$ 3.86	\$ 4.28	\$ 4.83	\$ 5.62	\$ 6.77	
Multi-Family Residential									
Tier 1	1-7	\$ 2.98	\$ 3.24	\$ 3.54	\$ 3.92	\$ 4.43	\$ 5.15	\$ 6.21	
Tier 2	8+	\$ 3.06	\$ 3.33	\$ 3.64	\$ 4.03	\$ 4.55	\$ 5.29	\$ 6.38	
Non-Residential	Uniform	\$ 3.02	\$ 3.29	\$ 3.59	\$ 3.98	\$ 4.49	\$ 5.22	\$ 6.29	