

March 8, 2013

Notice of Water Rate Hearing

Dear Customer,

In compliance with California Constitution Article 13D Section 6 (Prop 218), the Camrosa Water District (the "District") informs you that a public hearing will be conducted on April 24, 2013, at 5:00 pm in the District's office at 7385 Santa Rosa Road, Camarillo, CA, to hear public comments and to consider the adoption of the proposed water and sewer rate adjustments contained in this notification.

Reason for Water and Sewer Rate Adjustments: In an ongoing effort to make sure that the District can meet the needs of the people it serves, the District undertook a Comprehensive Rate Study to evaluate the existing water and sewer rates. The broad objective of the Study was to determine the best way to adequately fund water and sewer utility operations and capital projects while keeping rates as affordable as possible. Included in the Study was the recommendation to consider the potable and non-potable systems as distinct and separate enterprises that must financially support themselves independent of one another. As a result of this Comprehensive Rate Study it was determined that an increase in water and sewer rates was necessary to meet the District's evolving demands.

Water Rate Increase: To meet water demands, the District uses a mix of local water sources and imported water from Metropolitan Water District of Southern California ("MWD") and Calleguas Municipal Water District ("CMWD"). The cost of imported water is the single greatest expense, accounting for 56% of the District's operating budget. Both MWD and CMWD anticipate future water rate increases of approximately 6% per year for repair and replacement of aging infrastructure. The District's schedule of future rates includes these projected imported water rate increases, as well as operation and maintenance expenses, which include labor, utilities, supplies, contracted services and reserves for the potable and non-potable enterprises based on cost of service to each distinct enterprise. The District will evaluate rates annually and if conditions warrant, possibly reduce or forego future scheduled rate increases.

The rate increase resolution will also extend the five-year authorization for subsequent pass-through adjustments based upon increases in the wholesale charge for water purchased from another public agency in conformance with Government Code 53756.

The amount of the proposed water rate increase is enclosed with this notice and is incorporated herein by this reference.

Sewer Rate Increase: The cost of sewer service continues to be driven by operation and maintenance expenses, which include labor, utilities, supplies, contracted services and reserves, and increasingly stringent standards for protecting the environment. The sewer rate was last increased on July 1, 2011, and is currently \$27.35 per month. The proposed increase would bring the rate to \$29.51 per month, effective July 2013. Increases are proposed for the subsequent three years (2014-2016), as well.

You will find more information, including the Comprehensive Rate Study prepared by Black & Veatch Corporation and a Bill Calculator tool, on the District's Web site, www.camrosa.com.

Correspondence and questions regarding the proposed rate adjustments should be addressed as follows: Camrosa Water District – Rate Hearing, 7385 Santa Rosa Road, Camarillo, CA 93012. All correspondence must be received as of April 24, 2013, at 4:30 pm, must be signed by the customer, and must identify the property being served.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Tony L. Stafford
General Manager

Potable Water Service Classification (Unit rates per hundred cubic feet)		Current February 2013	Proposed July 2013	Proposed July 2014	Proposed July 2015	Proposed July 2016	Proposed July 2017
Residential/Master Meter/Domestic Agricultural							
First 12 Units		\$2.37	\$2.46	\$2.66	\$2.80	\$2.94	\$3.08
Residential/Master Meter/Domestic Agricultural							
13 Units and Higher		\$2.69	\$2.69	\$2.90	\$3.05	\$3.19	\$3.34
Commercial/Industrial/Public		\$2.69	\$2.69	\$2.90	\$3.05	\$3.19	\$3.34
Municipal Irrigation/Residential Irrigation		\$2.69	\$2.69	\$2.90	\$3.05	\$3.19	\$3.34
Fire Service/Other		\$2.69	\$2.69	\$2.90	\$3.05	\$3.19	\$3.34
Agricultural Irrigation							
MWD Full Service Rate		\$2.69	\$2.69	\$2.90	\$3.05	\$3.19	\$3.34
MWD Tier 2 Rate		\$3.29	\$3.28	\$3.54	\$3.72	\$3.89	\$4.07
Temporary Construction/Temporary Agricultural		\$2.69	\$2.69	\$2.90	\$3.05	\$3.19	\$3.34
Temporary Municipal		\$3.28	\$3.28	\$3.54	\$3.72	\$3.90	\$4.08
Emergency Water Service		\$4.06	\$4.06	\$4.37	\$4.60	\$4.82	\$5.05
Commercial/Industrial/Public Out of Bounds		\$2.81	\$3.32	\$3.58	\$3.76	\$3.94	\$4.13
Residential Out of Bounds First 12 Units		\$2.81	\$2.81	\$3.03	\$3.19	\$3.34	\$3.50
Residential Out of Bounds 13 Units and Higher		\$3.32	\$3.32	\$3.58	\$3.76	\$3.94	\$4.13
Non-Potable / Recycled Water Service Classification (Unit rates per hundred cubic feet)		Current February 2013	Proposed July 2013	Proposed July 2014	Proposed July 2015	Proposed July 2016	Proposed July 2017
Non-Potable Commercial Agricultural		\$0.70	\$0.89	\$1.08	\$1.26	\$1.45	\$1.64
Non-Potable Landscape Irrigation Water		\$0.70	\$0.89	\$1.08	\$1.26	\$1.45	\$1.64
Non-Potable Residential Landscape		\$0.70	\$0.89	\$1.08	\$1.26	\$1.45	\$1.64
Non-Potable Temporary Construction		\$0.70	\$0.89	\$1.08	\$1.26	\$1.45	\$1.64
Non-Potable Commercial Agricultural (contractual customers prior to December 31, 1994)-Note 1		\$0.46	\$0.50	\$0.54	\$0.59	\$0.60	\$0.61
Blended Non-Potable Agricultural							
MWD Full Service Rate		\$1.92	\$2.03	\$2.24	\$2.46	\$2.67	\$2.88
MWD Tier 2 Rate		\$2.17	\$2.29	\$2.53	\$2.78	\$3.02	\$3.25
Recycled Commercial Agricultural		\$0.37	\$0.89	\$1.08	\$1.26	\$1.45	\$1.64
Recycled Landscape Irrigation		\$0.55	\$0.89	\$1.08	\$1.26	\$1.45	\$1.64
Recycled Commercial Agricultural (contractual) - Note 1		\$0.37	\$0.37	\$0.38	\$0.38	\$0.39	\$0.40
Recycled Surplus Water (Served Outside District)		\$0.49	\$0.89	\$1.08	\$1.26	\$1.45	\$1.64
Monthly Meter Service Charge		Current Rate February 2009	Proposed July 2013	Proposed July 2014	Proposed July 2015	Proposed July 2016	Proposed July 2017
Fire Service							
	1	\$40	\$43.61	\$46.38	\$48.00	\$49.69	\$51.45
	1.5	\$40	\$43.61	\$46.38	\$48.00	\$49.69	\$51.45
	2	\$40	\$43.61	\$46.38	\$48.00	\$49.69	\$51.45
	3	\$40	\$43.61	\$46.38	\$48.00	\$49.69	\$51.45
	4	\$40	\$43.61	\$46.38	\$48.00	\$49.69	\$51.45
	6	\$40	\$87.20	\$92.73	\$95.98	\$99.35	\$102.86
	8	\$40	\$156.98	\$166.92	\$172.77	\$178.85	\$185.17
	10	\$40	\$261.68	\$278.26	\$288.01	\$298.15	\$308.67
Potable/Non-Potable Irrigation/Blended Agricultural							
	3/4 Master Metered	\$8.43	\$5.55	\$5.90	\$6.11	\$6.32	\$6.55
	3/4	\$8.60	\$11.56	\$12.29	\$12.72	\$13.17	\$13.64
	1	\$14.33	\$19.26	\$20.48	\$21.20	\$21.95	\$22.72
	1.5	\$28.67	\$38.54	\$40.98	\$42.42	\$43.91	\$45.46
	2	\$45.87	\$61.66	\$65.57	\$67.87	\$70.25	\$72.73
	3	\$100.33	\$134.87	\$143.41	\$148.44	\$153.66	\$159.09
	4	\$172.00	\$231.21	\$245.86	\$254.48	\$263.43	\$272.73
	6	\$258.00	\$346.82	\$368.79	\$381.72	\$395.15	\$409.10
	8	N/A	\$578.03	\$614.65	\$636.19	\$658.58	\$681.83
Domestic Agricultural							
	3/4	\$17.03	\$17.11	\$18.19	\$18.83	\$19.49	\$20.18
	1	\$22.76	\$24.81	\$26.38	\$27.31	\$28.27	\$29.27
	1.5	\$37.10	\$44.09	\$46.88	\$48.53	\$50.23	\$52.01
	2	\$54.30	\$67.21	\$71.47	\$73.97	\$76.58	\$79.28
	3	\$108.76	\$140.42	\$149.31	\$154.55	\$159.99	\$165.63
	4	\$180.43	\$236.76	\$251.76	\$260.58	\$269.75	\$279.28
	6	N/A	\$352.37	\$374.69	\$387.82	\$401.47	\$415.64
	8	N/A	\$583.58	\$620.55	\$642.30	\$664.90	\$688.37
Blended Agricultural							
	1	\$14.33					
	1.5	\$22.30					
	2	\$29.06					
	3	\$36.63					
	4	\$62.51					
	6	\$108.30					
	8	N/A					
Sewer Rates		Current July 2011	Proposed July 2013	Proposed July 2014	Proposed July 2015	Proposed July 2016	Proposed July 2017
Monthly Sewer Charge		\$27.35	\$29.51	\$30.10	\$30.70	\$31.32	
Residential Monthly Sewer Service through City of T.O.		Current July 2011	Proposed July 2013	Proposed July 2014	Proposed July 2015	Proposed July 2016	Proposed July 2017
Monthly Sewer Charge		\$39.40	\$40.74	\$41.67	\$42.50	\$43.35	

Notes:
1. Contractual customer agreements increase January based on index of prior fiscal year.
2. Pump Zone Surcharge: Applies to certain areas in the District that are situated at higher elevations and therefore require additional pumping for water delivery. Potable water pump zone charge is \$0.12 per hundred cubic feet (HCF). Non-potable water pump zone charge is \$0.07 per HCF.
3. Wildwood Estates Facilities Construction Fee is \$0.152 per HCF.
4. Billing units in hundred cubic feet (HCF). One HCF equals 748 gallons. One acre-foot 435.6 HCF.