

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS OF A PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED WASTEWATER (SEWER) RATE INCREASES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the **South Placer Municipal Utility District (SPMUD)** will hold a **Public Hearing on Thursday, May 4, 2023 at 4:30 PM** in the Board of Directors Chambers located at 5807 Springview Drive, Rocklin, California to consider adoption of proposed increases to rates for wastewater utility services as shown in ***Table 1: Implementation Schedule of Monthly Service Charges***. Justification for the proposed rate increase and instructions for protesting the rate increases are described in more detail below.

WHAT DO THE WASTEWATER RATES FUND?

SPMUD provides wastewater service to over 25,000 customers, consisting of residential, commercial, industrial, and educational accounts, in the City of Rocklin, Town of Loomis, and the communities of Newcastle, Penryn, and Rogersdale in unincorporated Placer County. Monthly service charges are the primary source of revenue. Revenue is used solely to fund operations and maintenance costs for wastewater collection and treatment, rehabilitation and replacement of infrastructure, labor, materials, and regulatory compliance. The wastewater rates are calculated based on the cost to provide these services.

PROPOSED CHANGES TO WASTEWATER RATES:

An increase in the rates is necessary to recover sufficient revenue to operate and maintain the wastewater utility. The proposed rate increases are needed due to increasing operational costs of maintenance, technology, rehabilitation, labor, energy fuel, regulatory compliance, and maintaining optimal financial reserves. If approved, the rate increases would become effective on July 1, 2023, and subsequently each year on July 1, with the last increase effective July 1, 2027.

Sample calculations of typical SPMUD customers are shown in Table 2: Proposed Rate Increases 2023-2027, Impact on Typical Customers.

COMPLIANCE WITH PROP 218

In 1996 California voters approved Proposition 218, which amended the state constitution relating to the passage of property-related fees. Proposition 218 requires that the District inform property owners and ratepayers that: 1) proposed rate increases are being proposed; 2) the proposed rate increases are calculated based on the cost to provide the service; and 3) a public hearing on the proposed rate increases be held at least 45 days after the public notification. The proposed rate increases are subject to a majority protest. If a majority of the impacted property owners submit written protests, the proposed rate increases cannot be adopted. Written protest must include the property owner's name and address (or Assessor's Parcel Number) of the impacted property and the property's owner's signature. The information contained in the protest may be subject to verification.

Written protests can be hand delivered or mailed to the South Placer Municipal Utility District, 5807 Springview Drive, Rocklin, CA 95677 on or before the public hearing date, or in person at the public hearing on the date and time specified.

**Table 1
Implementation Schedule of Monthly Service Charges**

Implementation Date	July 1, 2023	July 1, 2024	July 1, 2025	July 1, 2026	July 1, 2027
	\$ 37.44	\$ 38.94	\$ 40.50	\$ 42.53	\$ 44.66

**Table 2
Proposed Rate Increases 2023-2027, Impact on Typical Customers**

Date	Monthly Service charge/EDU	Single Family Residential	Restaurant	Retail Store	Medical Office	Hotel/Motel
			2000sf at 2 EDU/1000sf	4000sf at 1/3 EDU/1000sf	4000sf at 2/3 EDU/1000sf	100 units @ 1/2 EDU/unit
		<i>1 EDU</i>	<i>4 EDU</i>	<i>1.33 EDU</i>	<i>2.67 EDU</i>	<i>100 EDU</i>
Current	\$ 36.00	\$ 36.00	\$ 144.00 /month	\$ 48.00 /month	\$ 96.00 /month	\$ 3,600.00 /month
Eff 7/1/23	\$ 37.44	\$ 37.44	\$ 149.76 /month	\$ 49.92 /month	\$ 99.84 /month	\$ 3,744.00 /month
Eff 7/1/24	\$ 38.94	\$ 38.94	\$ 155.76 /month	\$ 51.92 /month	\$ 103.84 /month	\$ 3,894.00 /month
Eff 7/1/25	\$ 40.50	\$ 40.50	\$ 162.00 /month	\$ 54.00 /month	\$ 108.00 /month	\$ 4,050.00 /month
Eff 7/1/26	\$ 42.53	\$ 42.53	\$ 170.12 /month	\$ 56.71 /month	\$ 113.41 /month	\$ 4,253.00 /month
Eff 7/1/27	\$ 44.66	\$ 44.66	\$ 178.64 /month	\$ 59.55 /month	\$ 119.09 /month	\$ 4,466.00 /month