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Subject: Water Rate Proposal for 2022

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Stephen J. Welch, P.E., S.E.

Dear Valued Water Customer,

The past two years have been a challenge on so many levels and Contra Costa Water District (CCWD) appreciates your support and flexibility as we have been working to keep your water service up and running. Part of providing sustainable water service is conducting an annual review of water rates and charges. Water rates are increased only in an amount necessary to pay for the purchase, treatment, transport, and delivery of safe, high-quality, and reliable water to your home or business, and for the employees needed to sustain a complex water system. For 2022, we are proposing rate adjustments to generate **up to a 5.00% revenue increase**. On the reverse side of this letter are details of the proposal that will be presented at the public hearing to be held on January 5, 2022.

Our water rate proposal for 2022 supports the following priorities to ensure your water system remains sound:

- **Meet the increasing costs of operating a water system:** The costs of purchased water, treatment chemicals, fuel and energy have risen sharply in the recent year. The District strives to manage costs, seeking lowest costs when possible, while focusing on affordable water rates.
- **Replace aging water infrastructure:** Reliable water service requires increasing investment in the maintenance and replacement of aging canals, pipes, and other critical facilities. Implementing well planned and timely investments as identified in the District's 10-year capital improvement plan provide a high return in cost savings over the life of the facilities.
- **Maintain financial stability:** Annual rate adjustments combined with use of reserves provide the funding necessary to sustain quality operations and service.

Translating percent into dollars, the proposed rate adjustment for an average single-family residential customer using 260 gallons per day will be an increase of \$3.62 per month; this still keeps the cost of your water service to about \$0.01 per gallon.

We welcome your comments and questions on the proposed changes. Written protests to the proposed rate changes must be submitted prior to the conclusion of the public hearing. To submit a written protest, please include identification of the affected property (by assessor's parcel number, street address, or account number). Only one protest per parcel will be counted. Pursuant to Government Code section 53759, enacted by Senate Bill 323, there is a 120-day statute of limitations for challenging any new, increased, or extended fee or charge. Please send or deliver written protests to: Contra Costa Water District, 1331 Concord Avenue, Concord, CA 94520. Protests may also be submitted through the online form at www.ccwater.com/rates.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephen J. Welch".

Stephen J. Welch
General Manager

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Contra Costa Water District’s (CCWD) Board of Directors will consider adoption of proposed rate adjustments at a public hearing. The public hearing will be held on Wednesday, January 5, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at 1331 Concord Avenue, Concord, CA in the Board Room. **You may participate in this meeting remotely by calling (617) 829-7560 up to 10 minutes before the scheduled start time. Any changes to rates and charges will become effective February 1, 2022.** The tables below show the full list of proposed rates and charges. Please refer to your water bill for the charges that apply to you, your meter size, energy zone and water usage.

Quantity Charges	Current (\$/unit)	Proposed (\$/unit)
Usage Charge	\$5.0144	\$5.2617
Energy Charge		
Zone 1	\$0.0873	\$0.1064
Zone 2	\$0.2184	\$0.2712
Zone 3	\$0.3262	\$0.4075
Zone 4	\$0.4042	\$0.4931
Zone 5	\$0.5317	\$0.6435
Zone 6	\$0.7173	\$0.8790
Zone 7	\$0.9340	\$1.1450
Zone 8	\$1.3805	\$1.7242

Service Charge for Private Fire Protection by meter size	Current (\$/day)	Proposed (\$/day)
2 inch	\$0.0808	\$0.0754
3 inch	\$0.2345	\$0.2190
4 inch	\$0.4997	\$0.4666
6 inch	\$1.4515	\$1.3554
8 inch	\$3.0932	\$2.8882
10 inch	\$5.5627	\$5.1940
12 inch	\$8.9852	\$8.3897

Backflow Prevention – Reduced Pressure Device	Current (\$/day)	Proposed (\$/day)
5/8 inch	\$0.1114	\$0.1088
3/4 inch	\$0.1114	\$0.1088
1 inch	\$0.1225	\$0.1197
1-1/2 inch	\$0.3341	\$0.3263
2 inch	\$0.3620	\$0.3535
3 inch	\$1.1025	\$1.0768
4 inch	\$1.7818	\$1.7402
6 inch	\$2.7006	\$2.6375
8 inch	\$5.1784	\$5.0574
10 inch	\$7.2942	\$7.1239
12 inch	\$7.7953	\$7.6133
Dual 1-1/2 inch	\$0.6682	\$0.6526
Dual 2 inch	\$0.7239	\$0.7070

Service Charge by meter size	Current (\$/day)	Proposed (\$/day)
5/8 inch	\$0.7101	\$0.7413
3/4 inch	\$1.0652	\$1.1120
3/4 inch (SFR w/ inside sprinkler)	\$0.7101	\$0.7413
1 inch	\$1.7753	\$1.8533
1 inch (SFR w/ inside sprinkler)	\$0.7101	\$0.7413
1-1/2 inch	\$3.5505	\$3.7065
2 inch	\$5.6809	\$5.9304
3 inch	\$11.3617	\$11.8608
4 inch	\$17.7527	\$18.5325
6 inch	\$35.5054	\$37.0651
8 inch	\$56.8087	\$59.3041
10 inch	\$149.1229	\$155.6733
12 inch	\$188.1788	\$196.4449
Dual 1-1/2 inch	\$7.1011	\$7.4130
Dual 2 inch	\$11.3617	\$11.8608

Backflow Prevention – Double Check Valve or Air Gap System	Current (\$/day)	Proposed (\$/day)
5/8 inch	\$0.0790	\$0.0772
3/4 inch	\$0.0790	\$0.0772
1 inch	\$0.0869	\$0.0849
1-1/2 inch	\$0.2370	\$0.2315
2 inch	\$0.2567	\$0.2507
3 inch	\$0.7819	\$0.7637
4 inch	\$1.2637	\$1.2342
6 inch	\$1.9153	\$1.8706
8 inch	\$3.6726	\$3.5868
10 inch	\$5.1732	\$5.0524
12 inch	\$5.5286	\$5.3995
Dual 1-1/2 inch	\$0.4739	\$0.4629
Dual 2 inch	\$0.5134	\$0.5014

Unit = 100 cubic feet, or roughly 748 gallons.
SFR = Single Family Residence

Pursuant to Senate Bill 323, there is a 120-day statute of limitations for challenging any new, increased, or extended fee or charge.

For further information on the proposed water rate/charge adjustments or to review the CCWD’s Code of Regulations regarding rates, please visit www.ccwater.com/rates or call Customer Service at (925) 688-8044.