

Rates and Fees

The District annually evaluates its service needs, programs, and operational costs before recommending rate changes to the District's Board of Directors. To continue the District's long tradition of providing reliable water service to our customers, rate increases are needed to cover increasing operational costs.

Costs have and continue to increase in the areas of purchased water, pumping, treatment, electricity, meter reading, and billing. These increases are the result of the District's 100 percent dependence on imported water supplies, drought, the region's limited water reserves, and worsening environmental and regulatory conditions in Northern California's San Joaquin Delta.



Multi-Year Rate Increase

In October 2014, the District's Board of Directors adopted a 5-year rate setting strategy ([Rate Study/Tiered Rates Update](#)). The first increase took effect November 1, 2014. All following increases become effective on and after November 1 of each year beginning January 2015. Rate increases over the subsequent four-year period go into effect without further rate hearings. The rates are subject to pass-through charges, which could include increased costs from our wholesale supplier and/or "penalties" or "surcharges" for water use that exceeds the water supply allocation imposed on the District by its wholesale supplier.

Water Commodity Charge

The District's commodity charge is based on water usage. The cost to the consumer for water is lower if less water is used and higher if more water is used. The commodity charge is metered in units. One unit equals 748 gallons.

Commodity Rate	Multi-Year Rate				
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Tier 1 – Water Budget. All billed usage within Water Budget	\$4.25	\$4.61	\$4.99	\$5.39	\$5.76
Tier 2 – Water Budget. Inefficient Use. All billed usage in excess of Water Budget	\$7.21	\$7.65	\$8.13	\$8.61	\$9.09

Bi-monthly Service Charge

The District's service charge is levied against all customers in the District on a bi-monthly basis based on the size of each meter on the customer's premises. The charge recovers costs associated with providing water to the serviced property, which do not vary with consumption. These costs include meter reading and billing customers for each bi-monthly period, maintenance of meters and service lines in the distribution system, administrative costs, water quality testing, and salaries and benefits.

	Multi-Year Rate

Bi-Monthly Service Charge (Based On Meter Size)	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
3/4-inch meter (typical single-family residence)	\$27.57	\$29.87	\$32.36	\$34.91	\$37.36
1-inch meter	\$68.92	\$74.67	\$80.91	\$87.28	\$93.39
1-1/2-inch meter	\$137.85	\$149.33	\$161.82	\$174.56	\$186.79
2-inch meter	\$220.56	\$238.93	\$258.91	\$279.30	\$298.79
3-inch meter	\$413.55	\$448.00	\$485.45	\$523.68	\$560.36
6-inch meter	\$1,378.49	\$1,493.32	\$1,618.18	\$1,745.60	\$1,867.87

Fee Schedule

Click the PDF link to access the current Fee Schedule of the District. All fees are reviewed annually as part of the budget process and adjusted as needed.



[Fee Schedule](#)