



Water & Sanitation Department
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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING:
PROPOSED INCREASE FOR THE SEWER
RATE AND THE MONTHLY RECLAIMED
WATER SERVICE CHARGES**

WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 1 (MOORPARK)

HEARING DATE AND TIME:

Tuesday, June 4, 2024, 10:30 a.m.

LOCATION:

Board of Supervisors Hearing Room
Ventura County Government Center
800 S. Victoria Avenue, Ventura, CA 93009-1920

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COUNTY of VENTURA

The District provides water and sanitation services to the City of Moorpark (City) and the contiguous areas to the north and west of the City limits. In 2023, approximately 72% of water delivered was from imported sources, 17% was from local groundwater, and 11% from recycled water. The Moorpark Water Reclamation Facility is located west of the City along Highway 118 and has a capacity to:

- Process up to 5.0 million gallons per day (MGD)
- Collect sewage via a system consisting of approximately 107 miles of sewer lines and four (4) sewer lift stations
- Produce 1.5 MGD of reclaimed water for irrigation to the treatment plant, Moorpark Country Club Golf Course, Rustic Canyon Golf Course, and some agricultural customers
- Distribute recycled water through a system consisting of 7 miles of pipeline, 1 booster pump station, and 1.5-million-gallon storage reservoir

▶ WHY ARE RATE ADJUSTMENTS REQUIRED?

Our rates are based on the actual cost to provide service. The rates are developed during the budget process and designed to recover the costs of providing reclaimed water and sewer services and maintaining and improving the systems. The main factors for these reclaimed water and sewer rate increases include:

- Minimal growth in the number of sewer customers
- Estimated increase in the cost of power up to 5% for calendar year 2024
- Estimated increase in the cost of labor of 3% for fiscal year 2024
- Estimated increase in the cost of treatment up to 3% for fiscal year 2024

▶ WHEN ARE THE RATES AND CHARGES EFFECTIVE?

The proposed rates and charges will be no higher than shown and will be effective beginning on the next regularly scheduled meter reading and billing cycle on or after July 1, 2024.

▶ WHAT ARE THE CURRENT AND PROPOSED RATES AND CHARGES?

SEWER RATE		
METER SIZE	CURRENT RATE	PROPOSED RATE
PER ERU	\$29.00	\$30.50

* Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU) is the base from which water demands service classifications are calculated, a single-family residence is one unit.*

MONTHLY RECLAIMED WATER SERVICE CHARGES - METERS		
METER SIZE	CURRENT CHARGES	PROPOSED CHARGES
3/4-INCH	\$15.16	\$16.07
1-inch	\$20.45	\$21.68
1 1/2-inch	\$33.64	\$35.66
2-inch	\$49.46	\$52.43
3-inch	\$96.56	\$105.53
4-inch	\$173.40	\$183.80
6-inch	\$350.12	\$371.13

▶ HOW DO YOU PARTICIPATE?

If you wish to oppose the proposed rate increases you must submit a written protest by mail before the June 6, 2024, public hearing at 10:30 a.m. to the following address: Attn: WWD1 Rate Protest, P.O. Box 250, Moorpark, CA 93020-0250. Protests must contain the following information: (1) the property's Assessor's Parcel Number and address; (2) whether you are the owner of record of the property or are a tenant/leaseholder (if you are a property owner but did not own the property as of the last tax roll on July 1, 2023, include confirmation of your property ownership); (3) a statement that you are protesting the rate increases; and (4) your name (printed), date, and original signature.

Written protests received after the conclusion of the public hearing will not be counted. Verbal protests unaccompanied by a written protest or protests delivered by facsimile (fax) protests will not be counted. If you choose to submit your protest by regular mail, please allow enough time for the mail to be delivered to the District before the public hearing. The District is not responsible for U.S. Postal Service delays. Only one protest per property will be counted (even if multiple meters are located on the property). If you own multiple properties affected by the proposed increases, you should submit separate protests for each affected parcel, as the protest threshold is based upon a majority of the total number of parcels. Once opened, protests are disclosable public records.

Per section 53759 of the Government Code, effective January 1, 2022, legal challenges to new, increased, or extended fees or charges must be brought within 120 days of either the effective date or the date of the final passage, adoption, or approval of the ordinance, resolution, or motion, approving the fee or charge, whichever is later.