

**\*\*\*REVISED NOTICE\*\*\***  
**\*\*\*HEARING DATE AMENDED\*\*\***

**Notice to Property Owners: Proposed Rate Actions by  
County of San Bernardino, Special Districts Department,  
Water and Sanitation Division, County Service Area 64 (District)**

The County of San Bernardino Board of Supervisors (Board), acting as the governing body of the District, is considering an increase in water and sewer rates for all classes of users, effective Fiscal Year 2010/11. The water rate(s) increase is driven by higher anticipated water mitigation costs and for continued funding of the multi-year Service Line Replacement project. Additionally, the District is required to develop an Urban Water Management Plan that will be completed in Fiscal Year 2010/11.

The sewer rate adjustment will offset higher sewer treatment charges by Victor Valley Wastewater Reclamation Authority and the higher delinquencies in fee collections.

The Board will make its decision following a public hearing to be held Tuesday, *June 22, 2010* at 10:00 a.m. at the County Government Center, 385 North Arrowhead Avenue, Board Chambers First Floor in San Bernardino, California.

The proposed increase in water rates applies uniformly to residential and commercial customer classes, as outlined below. The proposed increase in sewer rates is applied to customers based on industry factors that reflect the cost for collection, treatment and disposal of the wastewater generated by each customer group. Please note that water/sewer bills will continue to be sent bi-monthly.

Rates are reviewed and recalculated annually using an intensive review process that includes use of projection models and interface with Operations, Administration and Engineering professionals. Factors to be considered include the level of revenue needed to fund current plans for future infrastructure (repair and replacement); cash flow needs; reserve requirements; anticipated operating costs; and ensure continued system integrity and service delivery.

**WATER**

<b>Facility Charge by Meter Size</b>	<b>2009/10 Monthly Fee</b>	<b>2010/11 Monthly Fee</b>
¾" meter	\$10.51	\$12.09
1" meter	\$14.96	\$17.20
1 ½" meter	\$25.54	\$29.37
2" meter	\$37.23	\$42.81
3" meter	\$63.60	\$73.14
4" meter	\$98.12	\$112.84
6" meter	\$181.83	\$209.10
8" meter	\$269.94	\$310.43
<b>Bi-Monthly Water Consumption</b>	<b>2009/2010 Bi-Monthly Fee</b>	<b>2010/2011 Bi-Monthly Fee</b>
0 – 14 hcf*	\$0.64	\$0.74
>14 – 80 hcf*	\$0.78	\$0.90
>80 hcf* and above	\$0.85	\$0.98

\*hcf = 100 cubic feet of water or 748 gallons of water

**SANITATION**

<b>2009/2010 Monthly User Fee Per EDU (Equivalent Dwelling Unit)</b>	<b>2010/2011 Monthly User Fee Per EDU (Equivalent Dwelling Unit)</b>
\$32.32	\$32.97

### **The Public Hearing**

The public hearing will be held at the **Board's regular meeting of Tuesday, June 22, 2010, at 10:00 a.m. at the County Government Center, 385 North Arrowhead Avenue, Board Chambers First Floor in San Bernardino, California.** At the hearing, the Board proposes to adopt a resolution that establishes water and sewer increases and the charges as outlined above.

Customers may respond to proposed rate increases prior to the public hearing by filing a written protest. A valid protest must contain a description of the property (address or Assessors Parcel Number) sufficient to identify the property, the signature of the property owner of record, or written evidence that the signer is the owner if he or she is not named on the last tax roll.

Protests can be mailed or personally delivered to: the Special Districts Department, Water and Sanitation Division at 12402 Industrial Boulevard, Building D, Suite 6, Victorville, California 92395. All protests must be received by the District by 5:00 p.m. on **June 21, 2010**, or it must be presented at the Board meeting on **June 22, 2010**, prior to the close of the public hearing on the matter. If a majority of affected property owners file written protests, the proposed rate changes will not be put into effect. Note that no more than one protest per parcel may be submitted.

### **A Word About Your Water Bill**

Please note that in the District's water rate structure, the strongest impact on your water bill is the amount of water you use each day. You have the final say in lowering your bill by simply lowering the amount of water you use. District staff is available to talk with you about your specific water conservation needs. Please feel free to contact us at 760/955-9885 or 800/554-0565.

*NOTE: This notice was mailed using current billing records. You may receive more than one copy if you own multiple properties or own property under more than one name. We regret any inconvenience.*