

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED RATE CHANGES



**HEARING DATE:** Thursday, May 16, 2019

**HEARING TIME:** 2:00 p.m.

**LOCATION:** South Tahoe Public Utility District Board Room

This Notice provides information regarding proposed changes to South Tahoe Public Utility District rates. Attend a public hearing on May 16 where public comments will be considered and the District Board of Directors will vote on the proposed rate increase.

## REASON FOR THE PROPOSED RATE CHANGES

The District's financial resources are not adequate to pay for needed facility improvements. The proposed increase would provide revenue to:

1. Replace undersized pipes, install new fire hydrants, and upgrade pumping and storage facilities to ensure adequate water for firefighting. More than 10% of our water system does not have adequate water capacity to fight a major fire.
2. Upgrade, repair and replace aging water and sewer pipes to prevent costly emergencies and spills. Most of the water and sewer system was built in the 1950s and 1960s and additional investments are needed to extend its life.

A five-year series of changes to water and sewer rates were developed to improve the water, sewer and recycled water systems, and lower long-term costs. The proposed rates in this notice are the maximum that can be adopted by the Board. The Board can choose to adopt a lesser increase or no increase at all during the May 16, 2019 public hearing and at future annual rate hearings.

The District's rates are currently the lowest in the region and are expected to stay at or near the lowest, even after the proposed increases. For more detailed information, visit [www.stpud.us/improvements](http://www.stpud.us/improvements).

Water customers are either charged a Metered Rate (Base Rate + Consumption) or a Non-Metered Flat Rate.

### Proposed Water Rates (Effective: July 1<sup>st</sup>)

	Current	FY 19/20	FY 20/21	FY 21/22	FY 22/23	FY 23/24
<b>Base Rate (\$/Quarter)</b>						
3/4" Meter	\$140.90	\$141.84	\$150.35	\$159.37	\$168.93	\$179.07
1" Meter	\$235.20	\$236.77	\$250.97	\$266.03	\$281.99	\$298.91
1 1/2" Meter	\$469.10	\$472.22	\$500.56	\$530.59	\$562.42	\$596.17
2" Meter	\$750.80	\$755.80	\$801.15	\$849.21	\$900.17	\$954.18
3" Meter	\$1,408.70	\$1,418.08	\$1,503.16	\$1,593.35	\$1,688.95	\$1,790.29
4" Meter	\$2,348.20	\$2,363.83	\$2,505.66	\$2,656.00	\$2,815.36	\$2,984.28
6" Meter	\$4,694.90	\$4,726.15	\$5,009.72	\$5,310.30	\$5,628.92	\$5,966.66
8" Meter	\$7,512.20	\$7,562.20	\$8,015.94	\$8,496.89	\$9,006.71	\$9,547.11
10" Meter	\$10,799.90	\$10,871.79	\$11,524.09	\$12,215.54	\$12,948.47	\$13,725.38

### Consumption Rate (\$/CCF\*\*)

Tier 1 Residential (0-45 CCF)	\$1.09	\$1.58	\$1.67	\$1.77	\$1.88	\$1.99
Tier 2 Residential (Above 45 CCF)	\$1.64	\$2.40	\$2.55	\$2.70	\$2.86	\$3.03
Multi-Family	\$1.53	\$1.57	\$1.67	\$1.77	\$1.88	\$1.99
Commercial	\$1.52	\$1.62	\$1.72	\$1.82	\$1.93	\$2.04

### Non-metered Rate (\$/Quarter)

Single Family	\$165.20	\$178.80	\$189.53	\$200.90	\$212.95	\$225.73
Duplex	\$293.70	\$296.44	\$314.22	\$333.07	\$353.06	\$374.24
Triplex	\$399.00	\$402.72	\$426.88	\$452.49	\$479.64	\$508.42
Fourplex	\$516.20	\$521.01	\$552.27	\$585.40	\$620.53	\$657.76
Each Additional Unit	\$86.50	\$87.31	\$92.54	\$98.10	\$103.98	\$110.22
Business 3/4"	\$251.40	\$257.97	\$273.44	\$289.85	\$307.24	\$325.68
Business 1"	\$379.30	\$389.15	\$412.50	\$437.25	\$463.49	\$491.30

\*\*100 Cubic Feet (CCF) = 748 Gallons

### Typical Residential Combined Water & Sewer Bill Per QUARTER\*

	Water	Sewer	Total
Current	\$169.24	\$126.27	\$295.51
FY 2020	\$182.92	\$133.38	\$316.30
FY 2021	\$193.77	\$140.04	\$333.81
FY 2022	\$205.39	\$147.06	\$352.45
FY 2023	\$217.81	\$154.41	\$372.22
FY 2024	\$230.81	\$162.12	\$392.93

\*Typical residential customer has a 3/4" meter, uses 26 CCF and has 3 sewer units

### Proposed Sewer Rates (Effective: July 1<sup>st</sup>)

	FY	FY	FY	FY	FY	
	Current	19/20	20/21	21/22	22/23	23/24

### Sewer Rate (\$/Billing Unit/Quarter)

Single Family Residence***	\$42.09	\$44.46	\$46.68	\$49.02	\$51.47	\$54.04
Multi-Family Residences	\$41.22	\$42.94	\$45.09	\$47.34	\$49.71	\$52.20
Motel/Hotel/ Timeshare	\$40.69	\$42.21	\$44.32	\$46.54	\$48.86	\$51.31
Trailer/ Mobile Home Park/ Campground	\$38.73	\$42.16	\$44.27	\$46.48	\$48.81	\$51.25
Non-Residential	\$43.72	\$44.46	\$46.68	\$49.02	\$51.47	\$54.04

\*\*\*Typical single family residence has 3 sewer units

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## Why the Proposed Rate Changes are Needed

<b>To be Prepared for a Major Fire</b>	<b>To Extend the Life of the Water, Sewer, and Recycled Water System</b>	<b>To Prevent Costly Emergencies and Spills</b>
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### HOW TO COMMENT ON OR PROTEST THE PROPOSED RATES

You may comment or ask questions at any time by contacting the District, attending the April 18, 2019 Public Meeting at 6:00 p.m., or participating in the May 16, 2019 Public Hearing at 2:00 p.m. (See front for Details)

You have the right to protest the rate change if you are (i) the record owner of an affected parcel, (ii) a person with a legal interest in an affected parcel, or (iii) a person who is legally responsible to pay the rates for an affected parcel.

Protests must be in writing and mailed or hand-delivered to the District. Faxed and e-mailed protests cannot be accepted.

Each protest must: (i) indicate that it is a protest against the water and/or sewer rate increase, (ii) identify (by Assessor's Parcel Number) the parcel for which the protest is submitted, (iii) indicate the name of the person submitting the protest and (iv) be signed. Only one protest will be accepted per parcel. If written protests are received representing a majority of the parcels subject to the water and/or sewer rates, then the increases will not be imposed.

If you do not know your parcel number, you may obtain it from your quarterly bill, your El Dorado County property statement, by visiting the El Dorado County Assessors Office website at [www.edcgov.us/assessor](http://www.edcgov.us/assessor) or by calling 530-621-5719.

Written protests must be received at the District before the end of the public hearing on May 16, 2019. Attention: Customer Service Manager / 1275 Meadow Crest Drive / South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150



Property Owner or Bill Payer Name \_\_\_\_\_

Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) \_\_\_\_\_

I Oppose this Proposed Rate Increase: Water \_\_\_\_\_ Sewer \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_