



# Santa Nella County Water District

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On July 30, 2020, the Board of Directors unanimously adopted the resolution to change water rates as presented in the Water Rate Study 2020 (Study). The proposed rate changes were presented at a Proposition 218 Public Hearing via Zoom. As required by law, all customers were sent a notice of the Proposition 218 Public Hearing 45 days prior to the hearing. The new rates are effective November 1, 2020. For more information about the Study, please see [sncwd.com](http://sncwd.com) and search Documents.

The water rate changes were necessary for the District to continue to provide clean, safe and reliable drinking water that meets state and federal regulatory requirements. The last time water rates were adjusted was 2010. The rates will adjust annually over the next four years.

The Study also discussed additional charges that are now imposed by state legislation and federal contract law. The District must comply with these new government regulations and charges. If the District does not pay our fair share of the costs associated with the legislation and contract requirements, the District could be fined and penalized. The District could also be blocked from purchasing raw surface water and would be unable to provide drinking water to our customers.

The following are the two additional legislative and federal contract charges:

**Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA)** – This is state legislation that requires local water agencies to ensure groundwater sustainability by 2040. The District must comply with SGMA. Costs are associated with this compliance. See page 7 and 8 of the Study for an in-depth description of the legislation and the reason for the charge. Each connection will be charged \$9.00 per month to cover the SGMA cost. If the District does not pay our fair share of the SGMA costs, we could be heavily fined by the state and other water agencies and entities.

<b>Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA)</b>		<b>2020-21</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>2023-24</b>
Monthly Rate Per Active Connection	<i>Mo. Fixed Rate (\$/mo)</i>	\$ 9.00	\$ 9.00	\$ 9.00	\$ 9.00

**San Luis Water District Property Related Assessments** – These assessments are being imposed by San Luis Water District (SLWD) for federal water contract compliance. The District must purchase raw surface water from SLWD. The District then treats and delivers the water to your tap. See page 9 and 10 of the Study for an in-depth description of the assessments. These fees will be charged to all landowners that have transferred water rights to the District. These are annual fees that will be billed once a year and will be based on land acreage. The fees will be collected and then paid to SLWD annually.

<b>Landowner Assessments</b>		<b>2020-21</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>2023-24</b>
Stand By Charges	<i>Per Land Acre (\$/annually)</i>	\$ 4.70	\$ 4.86	\$ 5.03	\$ 5.20
USBR Contract Conversion Capital Debt	<i>Per Land Acre (\$/annually)</i>	\$ 63.49	\$ 63.49	\$ 63.49	\$ 63.49
SLWD Contract Compliance Fee	<i>Per Land Acre (\$/annually)</i>	\$ 3.44	\$ 3.56	\$ 3.68	\$ 3.80
SNCWD Administration Fee	<i>Per Parcel (\$/annually)</i>	\$ 7.88	\$ 8.15	\$ 8.42	\$ 8.71

## New Water Service Rates

<b>Water Service Rates</b>		<b>2020-21</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>2023-24</b>
<b>Mobile Homes</b>					
Fixed	<i>Mo. Fixed Rate (\$/mo)</i>	\$ 33.54	\$ 38.24	\$ 40.18	\$ 41.30
Variable, average 610 cf month	<i>Mo. Volume Rate (\$/hcf)</i>	\$ 1.70	\$ 1.76	\$ 1.83	\$ 1.89
<b>Metered Homes</b>					
Fixed	<i>Mo. Fixed Rate (\$/mo)</i>	\$ 36.86	\$ 42.02	\$ 45.25	\$ 46.37
Variable, average 1,200 cf month	<i>Mo. Volume Rate (\$/hcf)</i>	\$ 1.45	\$ 1.51	\$ 1.56	\$ 1.61
<b>Commercial Water Rates</b>					
Fixed - 5/8" - 3/4" meter	<i>Mo. Fixed Rate (\$/mo)</i>	\$ 44.97	\$ 51.27	\$ 58.96	\$ 60.73
Fixed - 1" meter	<i>Mo. Fixed Rate (\$/mo)</i>	\$ 73.33	\$ 83.60	\$ 96.14	\$ 99.02
Fixed - 1.5" meter	<i>Mo. Fixed Rate (\$/mo)</i>	\$ 143.63	\$ 163.74	\$ 188.30	\$ 193.95
Fixed - 2" meter	<i>Mo. Fixed Rate (\$/mo)</i>	\$ 228.31	\$ 260.27	\$ 299.31	\$ 308.29
Fixed - 3" + meter	<i>Mo. Fixed Rate (\$/mo)</i>	\$ 496.76	\$ 566.31	\$ 651.26	\$ 670.80
Variable	<i>Mo. Volume Rate (\$/hcf)</i>	\$ 1.33	\$ 1.38	\$ 1.41	\$ 1.45