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Dear Mr. Grandy:

As part of the annual cost of service and rate update process, El Toro Water District (ETWD or District) engaged Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc. (RFC) to conduct a cost of service study for the development of its water, sewer, and recycled water rates that are in compliance with Proposition 218 and other legal requirements. As part of the Study, RFC reviewed the latest operating budget, including purchased water costs, conducted cost of service analyses, and calculated the fiscal year (FY) 2015-16 water, sewer and recycled water rates for the District. The updated rates scheduled to be effective on August 1st, 2015, reflect projected changes in net revenue requirements for each enterprise and projected reduction in water sales during drought.

This 2015 Water, Sewer, and Recycled Water Cost of Service Study Report (Report) summarizes the key findings and recommendations related to the development of the respective rates.

It has been a pleasure working with the District. We would like to thank you for your assistance during the course of the study. If we can be of further assistance please call me at 626-583-1894.

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Glossary

AF	Acre foot / acre feet
AWWA	American Water Works Association
CCF	100 cubic feet = 748 gallons
CII	Commercial / Industrial / Institutional (i.e. Commercial and Public Authority)
COS	Cost of Service
DF	Drought Factor (see Section 4 for details)
EDU	Equivalent dwelling unit
ET₀	reference Evapotranspiration (see Section 4 for details)
ETAF	ET Adjustment Factors (see Section 4 for details)
FY	Fiscal year
GPCD	Gallons per capita per day
IRR	Irrigation
IWB	Indoor Water Budget (see Section 4 for details)
M1 Manual	M1 Manual, Principles of Water Rates, Fees and Charges, Sixth Edition published by AWWA
MFR	Multi Family Residential
MWD	Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
MWDOC	Municipal Water District of Orange County
O&M	Operations & Maintenance
OWB	Outdoor Water Budget (see Section 4 for details)
R&R	Replacement and Refurbishment
RFC	Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc.
RW	Recycled Water
SFR	Single Family Residential
SQ FT	Square feet
TWB	Total Water Budget = Indoor Water Budget + Outdoor Water Budget
V_{indoor} / V_{outdoor}	Indoor Variance / Outdoor Variance (see Section 4 for details)
WB	Water Budget

1 Executive Summary

Utility rates, especially water rates, are coming under increasing scrutiny as supplies tighten, costs and rates increase, and organized groups and customers question the equitability of rates. The El Toro Water District (District) proactively wants to ensure that its rates are consistent with regulatory requirements and are a fair and equitable means of distributing the costs of providing service.

The entire state of California is experiencing a severe and continual drought. Such conditions have prompted Governor Brown to issue an executive order mandating a 25 percent reduction in urban water use inclusive of specific restrictions and prohibitions on outdoor water use. The State has established target reductions in water use for different agencies and the District's reduction target is 24 percent based on calendar year 2013 usage. The rates calculated in this study are based on projected sales in consideration of the drought conditions, the resulting mandatory usage cutbacks, and the proposed revisions to the water budget allocations. The proposed changes to the water budget allocations (discussed in Section 4) include a reduction of the gallons per capita per day (GPCD) allotment from 60 to 55, the new statewide efficiency standard referenced in SB x7-7. In addition, the drought factor for and the corresponding allocation for Tier 2 is proposed to change from 100% of outdoor usage to 50%, thereby sending a stronger conservation signal in order to achieve the mandatory cutback percentage.

In view of recent court decisions related to Proposition 218 and the current drought condition in California, the District engaged Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc. (RFC) to conduct the Water, Sewer, and Recycled Water Cost of Service Study to develop rates for all three enterprises that are equitable and in compliance with Proposition 218. This 2015 Water, Sewer, and Recycled Water Cost of Service Study Report (Report) summarizes the key findings and recommendations related to the development of the respective rates.

1.1 Legal Framework

The legal framework that supports the proposed rates and the equitable distribution of Costs of Service among Customer Classes in accordance with applicable Constitutional and Statutory Mandates is described in detail within Section 3.1.

1.2 Water, Sewer, and Recycled Water Rate Structure Overview

The District's current water and sewer rate structure consists of the following components to ensure that rates are charged equitably to all customers, provide adequate revenues to fund operating and capital costs and are simple to administer and implement while continuing to promote water efficiency and conservation.

- Water
 - Monthly Service Charges by meter size to recover a portion of operating costs

- Variable Rates, Tiered Residential, and Uniform Commercial, comprised of the following rate components:
 - Water Supply Cost to fund purchased water supply costs
 - Delivery Rate to recover the remaining operating costs
 - Revenue Offset to provide a rate incentive and affordability for essential water use in Tier 1
 - Conservation and Recycled Water Program costs applied to inefficient and excessive use to fund the District's conservation and supplemental water supply (i.e. Recycled Water expansion) programs
- Capital Replacement and Refurbishment (R&R) Charges by meter size to pay for capital replacement and refurbishment of the existing water system
- Sewer
 - O&M charges (by dwelling units for residential customers and by usage for non-residential customers) by customer classes
 - Capital R&R Charges by meter size to pay for capital R&R of the existing sewer system

To ensure compliance with Proposition 218, we recommend retaining the same defensible methodology from the 2014 Rate Study to determine justified water rates. The methodology is as follows:

1. Water usage is grouped based on usage and peaking characteristics:
 - Tier 1 – Efficient Indoor or domestic use
 - Tier 2 – Efficient outdoor use
 - Tier 3 – Inefficient use
 - Tier 4 – Excessive use
 - Commercial use will include domestic use, efficient outdoor use, and inefficient use but is combined into a uniform rate since commercial usage varies widely among customers and fixed tiers are not fair to users with widely varying usage characteristics.
2. Water systems are designed to accommodate the peak use of any class or type of customer. Since the system is designed to meet peak conditions, and different uses have different peaks, rates for the different usages can be based on peaking characteristics. Indoor or domestic use has the lowest peaking since this use occurs all year round, therefore Tier 1 comprised of residential (Single Family Residential (SFR) and Multi-Family Residential [MFR]) domestic use will have the lowest rates. Efficient outdoor or irrigation use has higher peaking characteristics, so Tier 2 comprised of efficient outdoor irrigation use has rates based on higher peaking factors. Inefficient and excessive uses have the highest peaking factors and the rates reflect the higher peaking and other costs. In a cost of service analysis, peaking costs are represented by the delivery charges. Indoor or domestic use has the lowest peaking factors; therefore all indoor use (residential and commercial) is assigned a lower delivery cost. Outdoor Irrigation is associated with higher peaking factors, so outdoor use comprising of residential irrigation and the current irrigation class will have higher delivery costs. Inefficient and excessive uses have even higher peaking factors and are assigned the highest delivery costs.

3. The Commercial class rates will continue to be a uniform rate based on domestic use and inefficient use. Based on SB x7-7, which requires commercial users to cut back by 10 percent, we define 10 percent of commercial use as inefficient use, which is subjected to higher peaking, conservation, and supplemental water supply costs as explained below. The remaining 90 percent of use is defined as efficient indoor and other efficient commercial use.
Of the 90 percent of efficient use —
 - 10 percent is estimated for efficient outdoor use (9% of overall commercial use)
 - 90 percent is estimated for indoor use (81% of overall commercial use).
4. Only the inefficient and excessive usage is targeted for conservation, therefore conservation costs are applied only to inefficient and excessive use.
5. Supplemental water programs are required to meet the demands of inefficient and excessive usage and those costs are assigned to inefficient and excessive usage.
6. Finally, based on the District's current policy objective to provide rate incentives for essential and efficient indoor use, revenues from cell tower lease (aka site lease income) and a portion of the property taxes received by the District are used to offset the essential and efficient usage rate which benefits indoor use (Tier 1), and therefore all residential customers, and commercial indoor use.

In summary, to ensure compliance with Proposition 218, we have identified and allocated the costs and provided conservation incentives to different uses and customer classes in proportion to the service they receive and developed tiers for residential and irrigation customers to meet conservation requirements and harmonized with Article X, Section 2, of the State Constitution:

- Usage will be classified as efficient indoor/domestic, efficient outdoor, inefficient and excessive;
- All customers will benefit from property tax and miscellaneous revenue offsets;
- All inefficient and excessive usage will bear the costs of conservation programs and supplemental water sources (aka Recycled Water (RW) Program Funding);
- Peaking or delivery costs will be assigned to the different usages based on the individual peaking characteristics of each type of usage; and
- Residential rates will continue to be tiered and commercial rates will be uniform.

In FY 2015, the District completed the expansion of its RW system, including water treatment plant (WTP) upgrades to tertiary treatment and RW transmission pipeline expansion and started the customer conversion process from potable to recycled water in order to increase its RW sales and reduce potable water sales. During FY 2016 the District expects to complete the conversion process and deliver 630 acre feet (AF) per year with a target of up to 1,261 AF per year in FY 2017 to approximately 216 irrigation accounts to be converted to RW accounts. As part of the Study, RFC developed the recycled water rates that cover the operations and maintenance (O&M) of the recycled water system after the expansion.



1.3 Proposed Water Rates

The recommended rate structure consists of the monthly fixed service and the volumetric commodity rates which are determined as follows (Table 1-1). For more information and detailed analyses, refer to Section 4 for Water Budget and Tier Definitions, Section 5 for Purchased Water Supply Cost, and Section 6 for Cost of Service and Proposed Rates.

Table 1-1: Cost Categories and Water Rate Structure

Cost Components	Service Charges	Tier 1 Essential Use	Tier 2 Efficient Use	Tier 3 Inefficient Use	Tier 4 Excessive Use	Commercial Use
Water Supply		x	x	x	x	x
Fixed Delivery Costs	x	x	x	x	x	x
RW Program Funding				x	x	x
Conservation				x	x	x
Customer Service	x					
Meters	x					
Rev Offset		x				x

The proposed water operations and maintenance monthly service charges remain unchanged from FY 2015 levels or each meter size and are shown in Table 1-2.

Table 1-2: Monthly Service Charges

Monthly Service Charges Meter Size	Current	FY 2016	Number of Accounts ¹
5/8"	\$9.98	\$9.98	2,385
¾"	\$13.31	\$13.31	4,850
1"	\$19.95	\$19.95	433
1 ½"	\$36.56	\$36.56	695
2"	\$69.81	\$69.81	1,423
Projected Revenues	\$2,660,916	\$2,660,916	9,786

¹ Includes accounts converting to recycled water system



Water capital R&R charges will remain unchanged from FY 2015 levels and are shown in Table 1-3.

Table 1-3: Water Capital R&R Charges

Water Capital R&R Charges Meter Size	Current	FY 2016	Number of Accounts
5/8"	\$4.66	\$4.66	2,385
3/4"	\$4.66	\$4.66	4,850
1"	\$7.78	\$7.78	433
1 1/2"	\$18.91	\$18.91	695
2"	\$47.47	\$47.47	1,423
Projected Revenues	\$1,413,313	\$1,413,313	9,786

The proposed water commodity rates, in dollars per hundred cubic feet (ccf²), by usage type for FY 2016 are shown in Table 1-4 in the first column and the components that make up the charge are shown in the subsequent columns. The rates below take into account the proposed changes to the water budget allocation calculation such as the reduction of the GPCD from 60 to 55 and Tier 2 Drought Factor being reduced to 50% of outdoor usage. For further details, refer to Sections 4 to 6 of the Report.

Table 1-4: Proposed Water Commodity Rates

Water Rates	FY 2016 \$/ccf	Water Supply	Delivery	RW Program	Conservation	Revenue Offsets
Tier 1 – Essential Use	\$2.46	\$2.50	\$0.15	\$0.00	\$0.00	-\$0.19
Tier 2 – Efficient Use	\$2.83	\$2.50	\$0.33	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Tier 3 – Inefficient Use	\$5.61	\$2.50	\$0.46	\$2.28	\$0.37	\$0.00
Tier 4 – Excessive Use	\$7.18	\$2.50	\$0.67	\$3.64	\$0.37	\$0.00
Uniform – CII ³ Use	\$2.79	\$2.50	\$0.17	\$0.23	\$0.04	-\$0.15

² 1 ccf = 100 cubic feet = 748 gallons

³ CII – Commercial – Industrial – Institutional



1.4 Proposed Sewer Rates

Based on the increase in revenue requirements for Sewer Enterprise, the sewer rates are projected to increase 7.4 percent across the board (Table 1-5). For further details, refer to Section 7 of the Report.

Table 1-5: Sewer Rates by Customer Classes

Sewer Rates	FY 2015	FY 2016	\$ Change
Residential Unrestricted	\$20.50 / EDU	\$22.02 / EDU	\$1.52
Multi-Family Restricted	\$16.26 / EDU	\$17.46 / EDU	\$1.20
Multi-Family Unrestricted	\$19.33 / EDU	\$20.76 / EDU	\$1.43
Animal Kennel/Hospital	\$3.36 /ccf	\$3.61 /ccf	\$0.25
Car Wash	\$3.34 /ccf	\$3.59 /ccf	\$0.25
Department/Retail Store	\$3.36 /ccf	\$3.61 /ccf	\$0.25
Dry Cleaners	\$2.94 /ccf	\$3.16 /ccf	\$0.22
Golf Course/Camp/Park	\$2.93 /ccf	\$3.15 /ccf	\$0.22
Health Spa	\$3.35 /ccf	\$3.60 /ccf	\$0.25
Hospital/Convalescent Home	\$2.94 /ccf	\$3.16 /ccf	\$0.22
Hotel	\$5.09 /ccf	\$5.47 /ccf	\$0.38
Market	\$6.67 /ccf	\$7.17 /ccf	\$0.50
Mortuary	\$6.64 /ccf	\$7.14 /ccf	\$0.50
Nursery/Greenhouse	\$2.98 /ccf	\$3.20 /ccf	\$0.22
Professional/Financial Office	\$3.36 /ccf	\$3.61 /ccf	\$0.25
Public Institution	\$3.30 /ccf	\$3.55 /ccf	\$0.25
Repair/Service Station	\$3.35 /ccf	\$3.60 /ccf	\$0.25
Restaurant	\$3.17 /ccf	\$3.41 /ccf	\$0.24
Schools	\$3.47 /ccf	\$3.73 /ccf	\$0.26
Theater	\$3.36 /ccf	\$3.61 /ccf	\$0.25
Warehouse/Storage	\$2.65 /ccf	\$2.85 /ccf	\$0.20
Basic Commercial	\$2.94 /ccf	\$3.16 /ccf	\$0.22

The sewer capital R&R charges are projected to remain unchanged for FY 2016 (shown in Table 1-6).

Table 1-6: Sewer Capital R&R Charges

Sewer Capital R&R	FY 2015	FY 2016
Residential Unrestricted	\$4.93 / EDU	\$4.93 / EDU
Multi-Family Restricted	\$3.95 / EDU	\$3.95 / EDU
Multi-Family Unrestricted	\$4.69 / EDU	\$4.69 / EDU
Non-Residential	\$4.93 / EDU	\$4.93 / EDU

1.5 Proposed Recycled Water Rates

Prior to the completion of the Recycled Water Expansion Project, the District had only one recycled water (RW) customer who purchased treated disinfected secondary recycled water - Laguna Woods Village Golf Course, operated by the Golden Rain Foundation (GRF). There was neither a monthly service charge nor a capital R&R charge for this RW customer since all services were provided based on the terms of service contract. With the completion of the RW expansion project, all RW customers (existing and converted customers) will be supplied with higher quality tertiary RW, and subject to the corresponding rates that support the annual cost of providing tertiary RW. The proposed RW rate for FY 2016 is \$2.52/ccf⁴, which is approximately 90 percent of Tier 2 potable water rate. All RW customers connected to the new recycled water distribution system will be assessed monthly service charges (Table 1-7) and capital R&R charges (Table 1-8) the same as potable meters to recover the customer service, meter service, a portion of capacity and other RW related fixed costs and to pay for capital R&R of the expanded RW system.

Table 1-7: FY 2016 Monthly Service Charges

Monthly Service Charges	FY 2016
5/8"	\$9.98
3/4"	\$13.31
1"	\$19.95
1 1/2"	\$36.56
2"	\$69.81

Table 1-8: FY 2016 Capital R&R Charges

Capital R&R Charges Meter Size	FY 2016
5/8"	\$4.66
3/4"	\$4.66
1"	\$7.78
1 1/2"	\$18.91
2"	\$47.47

1.6 Customer Impacts Analysis

Figure 1-1 shows a breakdown of water and sewer bills at various water usage levels for a single family residential user with 4 occupants and 4,000 square feet (sq ft) landscape area serviced by a 3/4-in meter.

⁴ Refer to Section 8 of the Report for further details

For a residential customer using 15 units of water, the combined water and sewer bill increase would be \$3.47 per month, or 4.33 percent. Note that the impacts for recycled water are not shown because residential users do not purchase recycled water.

Figure 1-1: SFR Total Monthly Bill at Different Usage Levels

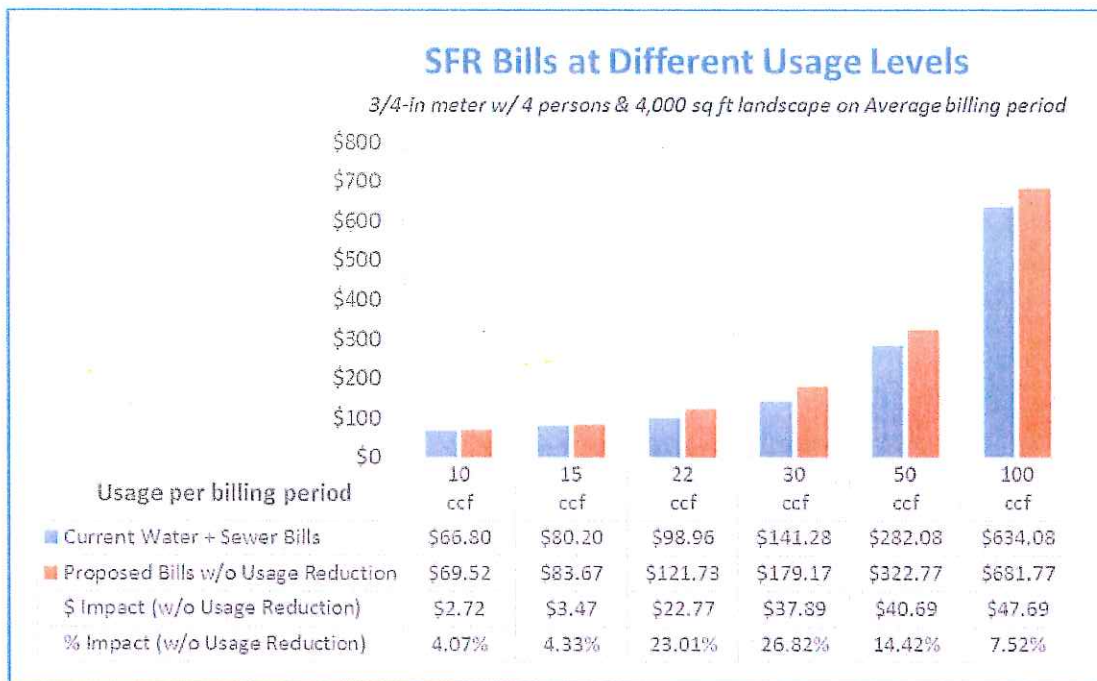
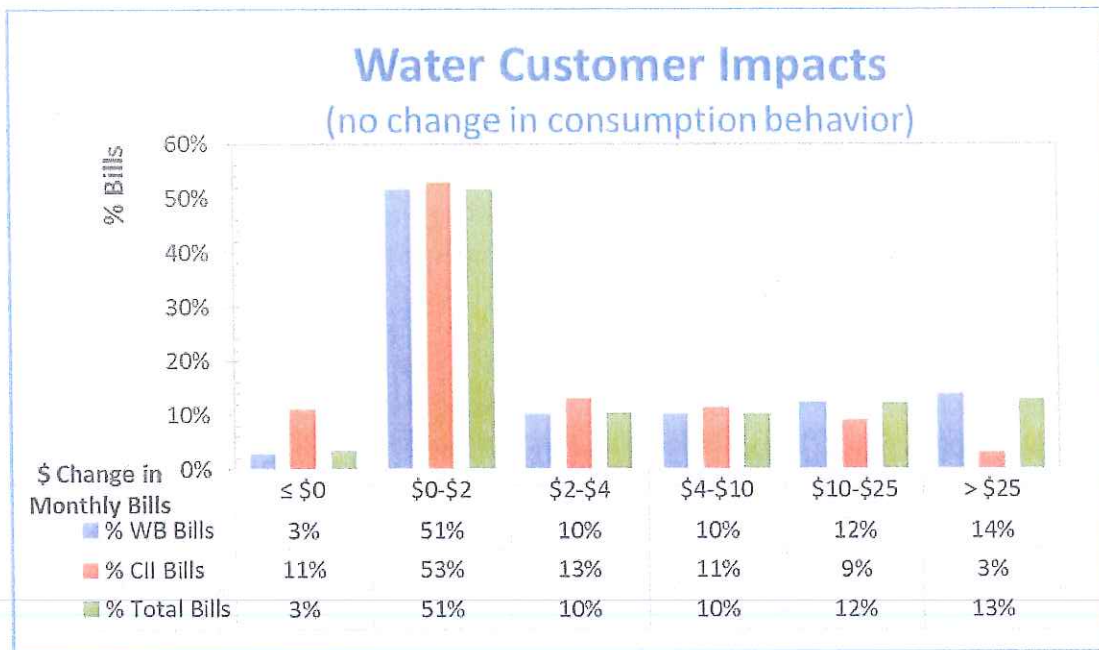


Figure 1-2 below summarizes the bill impacts resulting from the proposed water rates, assuming there are no changes in consumption behavior. The updated rates will result in nominal impacts for the District’s residential and irrigation customers under a water budget structure (shown in blue) and the commercial/industrial/institutional customers (shown in orange) under a uniform commodity rate structure. Approximately 54 (3+51) percent of all bills will experience a monthly bill increase of \$2 or less. Conversely, 25 (12+13) percent of all bills will experience a monthly bill increase of \$10 or more.

Figure 1-2: Overall Water Customer Bill Impacts from Proposed Rates



2 Introduction

2.1 About El Toro Water District

The El Toro Water District (District), located within the southern portion of Orange County, was formed in 1960 under provisions of California Water District Law, Division 13 of the Water Code of the State of California, commencing with Section 34000, for the purpose of providing water and sewer services to the service area. The District is governed by a publicly elected Board of Directors. The District is built out and encompasses the entirety of the City of Laguna Woods and portions of four other cities: Lake Forest, Aliso Viejo, Laguna Hills, and Mission Viejo.

The District provides water, sewer, and recycled water services to a population of approximately 48,500 in a service area of approximately 8.5 square miles. Constructed in phases since 1960, the District's water system is relatively modern. It contains six reservoirs with a combined capacity of 136 million gallons, over 170 miles of water lines, and 8 booster stations with 13 pressure zones to deliver water to approximately 10,000 metered water accounts.

The District's wastewater system is comprised of 142 miles of collection system pipeline, 3,400 manholes, and 11 pump stations which flow to the District's treatment plant with a rated capacity of 6 million gallons per day. Much of the District's effluent is reused through RW sales. The District has undertaken significant efforts to upgrade its Wastewater Treatment Plant to produce higher quality tertiary RW (completed in FY 2015). To make RW available to more customers, the District increased its RW distribution by adding 19 miles of RW distribution pipeline. The distribution expansion will enable RW sales to 216 irrigation accounts, which will no longer use potable water for irrigation.

2.2 Background of the Study

The District currently purchases 100 percent of its potable water supply from the Municipal Water District of Orange County (MDWOC), a wholesale customer of Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD). Imported water supplies are anticipated to have limited availability in the foreseeable future due to the severe drought that the State has experienced over the past four years.

The entire state of California is experiencing a severe and continual drought. To address water supply issues, MWD developed the Water Supply Allocation Plan (WSAP), which provides reduced allocations to wholesale customers within MWD's service area. In turn, on January 20, 2015, MWDOC adopted a methodology to determine the allocation to its member agencies. Member agencies, such as the District, can purchase water above the allocation, but such purchases are subject to significant penalties. The allocation to the District may be reduced depending in the severity of the drought and the drought stage (ranging from 1 to 10) declared by MWD. MWDOC has declared a water supply shortage that will reduce the potable water supply throughout the MWDOC service area by approximately 15 percent commencing July 1, 2015.

Such severe and continual drought conditions in California have prompted Governor Brown to issue an executive order mandating a 25% overall reduction in urban water use in the State, inclusive of specific restrictions and prohibitions on outdoor water use. Specifically, the District has been assigned a mandatory cutback of 24% based on its 2013 calendar year usage. The rates calculated in this study are based on projected sales in consideration of the drought conditions, the resulting mandatory usage cutbacks, and the proposed revisions to the water budget allocations. The proposed changes to the water budget allocations (discussed in Section 4) include:

1. A reduction of the GPCD allotment from 60 to 55 for indoor usage (new statewide efficiency standard specified in SB x7-7).
2. Tier 2, outdoor allocation, is proposed to be reduced to 50 percent of the current allocation by changing the drought factor from 100 percent to 50 percent. This effectively reduces the Tier 2 to half its current allocation / allotment. See Section 4 for details.

These two changes are intended to send a strong conservation signal in order to help the District achieve its mandatory cutback.

In view of recent court decisions related to Proposition 218 and the current drought condition in California, the District engaged Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc. (RFC) to conduct the Water, Sewer, and Recycled Water Cost of Service Study to develop rates for all three enterprises that are equitable and in compliance with Proposition 218.

The major objectives of the study include the following:

1. Determine the revenue requirements from water, sewer, and recycled water rates in FY 2016
2. Develop a cost-of-service analysis for the Water Enterprise;
3. Develop water rates to meet the District's goals and objectives, including defensibility, affordability for essential use and promoting efficiency and conservation;
4. Develop tertiary RW rates;
5. Update the sewer rates; and
6. Conduct customer impact analyses for the proposed water and sewer rates.

This 2015 Water, Sewer, and Recycled Water Cost of Service Study Report (Report) summarizes the key findings and recommendations related to the development of the water, sewer, and recycled water rates.

3 Legal Framework and Rate Setting Methodology

This section of the report describes the legal framework that was considered in the development of the rates to ensure that the calculated cost of service rates provided a fair and equitable allocation of costs to the different customer classes.

3.1 Legal Framework

CONSTITUTIONAL MANDATES AND STATUTORY AUTHORITY

Article XIII D, Section 6 (Proposition 218) and Article X, Section 2 of the California Constitution govern the principles applicable to this Rate Study. This Rate Study equitably implements and harmonizes these constitutional mandates in concert with the authority and principles set forth in Water Code Section 370 et seq. which governs Allocation-Based Conservation Water Pricing (commonly referred to as “Water Budget Rate Structure”).

This Rate Study provides for an inclining four tier Rate Structure designed to implement, in a reasonable manner, the constitutional mandates and statutory authority and principles referenced above.

CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION - ARTICLE X, SECTION 2

Article X, Section 2 of the California Constitution (established in 1976) provides as follows:

“It is hereby declared that because of the conditions prevailing in this State the general welfare requires that the water resources of the State be put to beneficial use to the fullest extent of which they are capable, and that the waste or unreasonable use or unreasonable method of use of water be prevented, and that the conservation of such waters is to be exercised with a view to the reasonable and beneficial use thereof in the interest of the people and for the public welfare.”

As such, public agencies are constitutionally mandated to maximize the beneficial use of water, prevent waste, and encourage conservation which this Rate Study achieves.

CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION - ARTICLE XIII D, SECTION 6 (Proposition 218)

Proposition 218 reflected in the California Constitution as Article XIII D, was enacted in 1996 to ensure that rates and fees were reasonable and proportional to the cost of providing service. The principal requirements for fairness of the fees, as they relate to public water and sewer service are as follows:

1. Water and sewer rates shall not exceed the funds required to provide the service.
2. Revenues derived by the charge shall not be used for any other purpose other than that for which the charge was imposed.
3. The amount of the charge imposed upon any parcel shall not exceed the proportional cost of service attributable to the parcel.

4. No charge may be imposed for a service unless that service is actually used or immediately available to the owner of property.

The rates developed in this Rate Study use a methodology to establish an equitable system of fixed and variable charges that recover the cost of providing service and fairly apportion costs to each customer as required by Proposition 218.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY - GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 370 ET SEQ. (Allocation-Based Conservation Water Pricing)

In 2000, the California Legislature (AB 2882), consistent with the above-referenced constitutional provisions, adopted a body of law entitled "Allocation-Based Conservation Water Pricing" (Water Code Section 370 et seq.)

Water Code Section 370 provides in part as follows:

"The Legislature hereby finds and declares all of the following:

(a) The use of allocation-based conservation water pricing by public entities that sell and distribute water is one effective means by which waste or unreasonable use of water can be prevented and water can be saved in the interest of the people and for the public welfare, within the contemplation of Section 2 of Article X of the California Constitution.

(b) It is in the best interest of the people of California to encourage public entities to voluntarily use allocation-based conservation water pricing, tailored to local needs and conditions, as a means of increasing efficient uses of water, and further discouraging wasteful or unreasonable use of water under both normal and dry-year hydrologic conditions."

Water Code Section 372 provides as follows:

"(a) A public entity may employ allocation-based conservation water pricing that meets all of the following criteria.

(1) Billing is based on metered water use.

(2) A basic use allocation is established for each customer account that provides a reasonable amount of water for the customer's needs and property characteristics. Factors used to determine the basic use allocation may include, but are not limited to the number of occupants, the type or classification of use, the size of lot or irrigated area, and the local climate data for the billing period. Nothing in this chapter prohibits a customer of the public entity from challenging whether the basic use allocation established for that customer's account is reasonable under the circumstances. Nothing

in this chapter is intended to permit public entities to limit the use of property through the establishment of a basic use allocation.

(3) A basic charge is imposed for all water used within the customer's basic use allocation, except that at the option of the public entity, a lower rate may be applied to any portion of the basic use allocation that the public entity has determined to represent superior or more than reasonable conservation efforts.

(4) A conservation charge shall be imposed on all increments of water use in excess of the basic use allocation. The increments may be fixed or may be determined on a percentage or any other basis, without limitation on the number of increments, or any requirement that the increments or conservation charges be sized, or ascend uniformly, or in a specified relationship. The volumetric prices for the lowest through the highest priced increments shall be established in an ascending relationship that is economically structured to encourage conservation and reduce the inefficient use of water, consistent with Section 2 of Article X of the California Constitution.

(b) —

(1) Except as specified in subdivision (a), the design of an allocation-based conservation pricing rate structure shall be determined in the discretion of the public entity.

(2) The public entity may impose meter charges or other fixed charges to recover fixed costs of water service in addition to the allocation-based conservation pricing rate structure.

(c) A public entity may use one or more allocation-based conservation water pricing structures for any class of municipal or other service that the public entity provides."

As noted in the referenced statutes, "Allocation-Based Conservation Water Pricing Rate Structure" is a form of increasing block rates where the amount of water within the first block or blocks is based on the estimated, efficient water needs of the individual customer. Water-budget rates differ from other metered water rate designs in two key ways. First, the blocks are established based on water budgets that represent varying levels of each customer's efficient water use. Second, water-budget rates require the public agency to set specific standards for what is, and what is not, considered efficient water use for an individual customer.

This Rate Study in conjunction with ETWD's findings and determinations for individual customers establishes a standard for efficient usage and then establishes a budget for each individual customer. That defines how much water is considered efficient. Customers with usage above this efficient usage budget pay a higher rate for their "inefficient" or wasteful" usage.

This Rate Study conforms to the principles set forth in the enabling statutes for Water Budget Rate Structures.

TIERED RATES

“Inclining” Block-Rate Structures, (which are synonymous with “Increasing Block-Rate Structures”) when properly designed and differentiated by customer class as this Rate Study does, allows a water agency to send consistent price incentives for conservation to customers. For this reason, the heightened interest in water conservation, “Increasing Block-Rates” have been increasingly favored, especially in relatively water-scarce regions, such as Southern California.

PROPORTIONALITY – Proposition 218’s Requirement That Fees Be Proportionate to the Cost of Service for Each Parcel

There is a fair amount of ambiguity in the way that Proposition 218 was drafted – none more so than the issue of “proportionality.” It has taken a succession of court rulings over several years to clarify the substantive requirement of Proposition 218.

The recent Appellate case of *Griffith v. Pajaro Valley Water Management Agency* (2013) California Court of Appeal, Sixth District has provided much guidance on several important Proposition 218 issues, including the issue of proportionality. In Pajaro, the Appellate Court held in part as follows:

1. That Pajaro’s costs of using supplemental water along the coast to prevent salt water intrusion benefited all of Pajaro’s customers, including inland customers, using the groundwater basins.
2. That proportionality is not measured on an individual parcel basis, but instead is measured collectively, considering all customer classes. As such, the Appellate Court in Pajaro confirmed the common practice of grouping customers into classes with comparable service costs and setting rates by class rather than parcel by parcel met the Prop 218 requirement that fees be proportionate to the cost of providing service to each parcel.

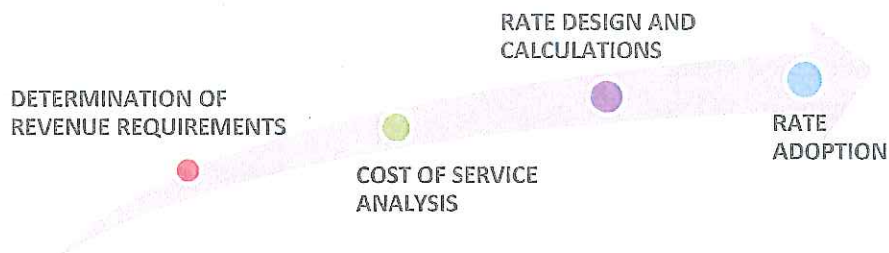
Under Item 1 noted above, water utilities can reasonably justify that the addition of recycled water to the water resource mix, frees up water for potable uses and therefore all customers should share in the costs of recycled water so that recycled water can be put to beneficial use as required by Article X, Section 2. In essence, this clarification by the appellate court allows agencies to harmonize the mandates of Proposition 218 and Article X, Section 2.

Under Item 2 noted above, utilities can develop rates by customer class and meet the requirements of Proposition 218, as opposed to the strict interpretation which would require cost proportionality for each parcel receiving service. This was another major clarification of Proposition 218 since cost proportionality for individual parcels is almost impossible to achieve in the strict sense.

The Pajaro case rulings provided for the harmonizing of the proportionality requirements of Prop 218 with the efficient use and conservation requirements of Article X, Section 2 by accepting that the supplemental

costs of water used by one group of customers should be shared by all users, based on the concept that all users receive benefit from the overall water resources. In our case recycled water adds a water resource that provides benefit to all users by freeing up potable water and therefore the costs of recycled water can be shared by all users.

3.2 Cost-Based Rate Setting Methodology



As stated in the Manual M1, the AWWA Rates and Charges Subcommittee agrees with the Proposition 218 requirement that “the costs of water rates and charges should be recovered from classes of customers in proportion to the cost of serving those customers.” To develop utility rates that comply with Proposition 218 and industry standards while meeting other emerging goals and objectives of the utility, there are four major steps:

1. **DETERMINATION OF REVENUE REQUIREMENT.** The rate-making process starts with the determination of future revenue requirements to sufficiently fund the utility’s operation and maintenance (O&M), capital replacement and refurbishment (R&R), capital improvement and perpetuation of the system and to ensure preservation of the utility’s financial integrity. The basic revenue requirements of a utility include O&M expenses, debt service payments, contributions to specified reserves and the cost of capital expenditures that are not debt financed.
2. **COST OF SERVICE ANALYSIS.** The annual costs of providing water services, determined in the financial plan development, should be allocated among the customers commensurate with their service requirements. In this step, costs are identified and allocated to functional cost components and distributed to respective customer classes according to the industry standards provided in the Manual M1 published by AWWA. California Government Code Section 54999 mandates agencies to conduct a thorough cost of service analysis every ten years in determining the utility rates.
3. **RATE DESIGN and CALCULATIONS.** Rates do more than simply recovering costs. Within the legal framework and industry standards, properly designed rates should support and optimize a blend of various utility objectives, such as conservation, affordability for essential needs, revenue stability, etc. and should work as a public information tool in communicating these objectives to customers.
4. **RATE ADOPTION.** In the last step of the rate-making process, to comply with the Proposition 218 requirements, the results of the analyses are documented in a Study Report to help educate the



public about the proposed changes, the rationale and justifications behind the changes and their anticipated financial impacts in layman terms. At least 45 days after sending out the public notices, at a public hearing, the agency shall consider all written protests against the proposed rates. If there is no majority protest, the agency can officially adopt the new rates.

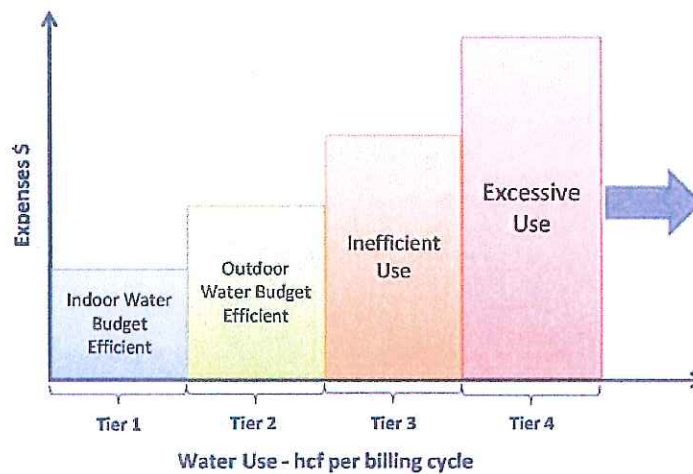
4 Water Budget and Tier Definitions

Since July 1, 2010, the District has implemented a water budget rate structure to incentivize conservation and use water efficiently. The description of the allocations to individual customers and the development of water budgets is described here for completeness of this report.

4.1 Water Budget Definitions

The American Water Works Association Journal defines water budget as “the quantity of water required for an efficient level of water use by that customer” (Source: *American Water Works Association Journal, May 2008, Volume 100, Number 5*). Therefore each customer has their own allocation or water budget as shown in the following figures. Figure 4-1 shows an example of how the tier breaks are set for water budget customers. Tier 1 is defined by the allotment for indoor use and Tier 2 is defined by the allotment for outdoor use. Tier 3 is set to a percentage of the total water budget (or Tiers 1 and 2) combined. Any use beyond Tier 3 is considered excessive and falls into Tier 4.

Figure 4-1: Water Budget Tiers



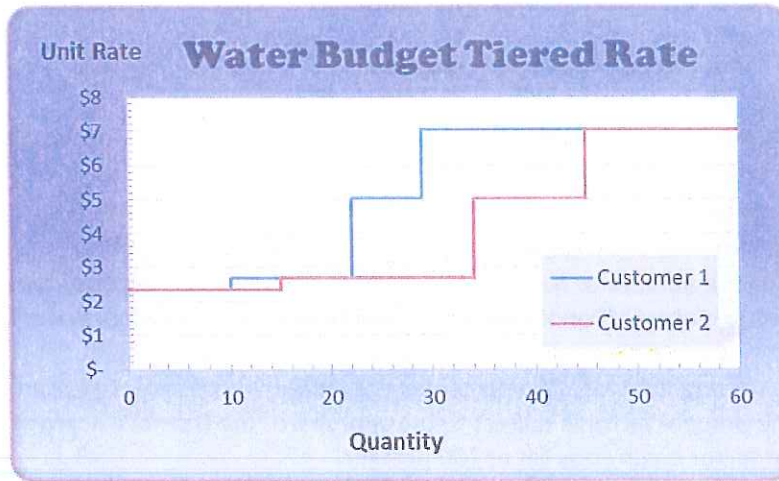
It is worth noting that water budget rate structures are customized for each customer, which results in different tier breaks for different customers. For example, as illustrated by Figure 4-2⁵, the first 10 units consumed by Customer 1 is charged at Tier 1 rate, whereas Customer 2 has 12 units at Tier 1 rate (\$2.34/ccf) for indoor use. The next 12 units (11 – 22 units) consumed by Customer 1 is reserved for outdoor use, which is charged at Tier 2 rate (\$2.68/ccf), and any usage exceeding 29 units⁶ will be deemed excessive and charged at the Tier 4 Rate (\$7.04/ccf). Similarly, for Customer 2, Tier 2 spans

⁵ For illustrative purpose only, not actual rates of the District

⁶ Tier 3 = 30% of Total Water Budget (TWB) where as TWB = Indoor WB + Outdoor WB

from 16-34 units, and usage exceeding 45 units will be charged at Tier 4 Rate (\$7.04/ccf). Customer 2, with larger indoor and outdoor water budget (or allotment), represents a residential customer with larger family and bigger irrigated landscape area than Customer 1.

Figure 4-2: Customized Water Budget Tiers⁷



Similar to the Water Budget Rate Study in 2010, the water budget allocations and tiered rate structure are designed for residential and irrigation accounts only; all other customer types will retain the current uniform rate structure.

Indoor Water Budget

The indoor water budget (IWB) is determined by a customer’s household size and a standard consumption per person. The proposed IWB formula is as follows:

$$IWB = \frac{GPCD * Household\ Size * Dwelling\ Units * Days\ of\ Service * DF_{indoor}}{748} + V_{indoor}$$

where

- GPCD – Gallons per capita per day.
 - Currently, the standard consumption per person per day is set at 60 gallons based on the *AWWARF Residential End Uses of Water Study*, which stated that the mean daily water use per capita is 59.8 gallons.
 - SB x7-7⁸, Section 10608 of the Water Code, established the provisional standard for indoor residential water use at 55 gallons per capita per day. Due to the severity of the

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⁸ The language from SB x7-7 setting the 55 GPCD performance standard: (2) The per capita daily water use that is estimated using the sum of the following performance standards: (A) For indoor residential water use, 55 gallons per capita daily water use as a provisional standard.

drought and to better align with new efficiency standard, the District Board proposes to permanently change GPCD to 55 for all indoor uses.

- Household Size – Number of residents per dwelling unit. The 2010 census lists the average household size at 2.91 which includes single and multi-family housing. Typically single family household size is greater than 3 and multi-family less than 3. The District policy is to provide adequate water for the health and sanitation needs and minimize customer complaints and requests for variances. The default values for household size are set as follows based on customer characteristics.
 - Single Family: Household Size = 4 persons
 - Multi Family:
 - Restricted: Household Size = 2 persons (senior citizen housing typically 1 to 2 residents per dwelling unit)
 - Unrestricted: Household Size = 3 persons
- Dwelling units – Number of dwelling units served by the meter / account
- Days of Service. The number of days of service varies with each billing cycle for each customer. The actual number of days of service will be applied to calculate the indoor water budget for each billing cycle.
- DF_{indoor} – Indoor drought factor. The percentage of indoor water budget allotted during drought conditions. The drought factor is subject to the approval of the District's Board of Directors. The indoor drought factor is currently set at 100 percent.
- V_{indoor} – Indoor variance. The additional water allotment to be granted for extenuating circumstances is subject to District's approval or verification as outlined in the District's variance program. Variances can be requested by submitting a "Variance/Adjustment Request Form" found on the District's website.
- 748 is the conversion unit from gallons to billing unit of hundred cubic feet (ccf).

Outdoor Water Budget

The outdoor water budget (OWB) is determined by three main variables: irrigable landscape area, weather data and evapotranspiration (ET) Adjustment Factor. The irrigable landscape area, measured as square footage of landscape surface on a customer's property, is estimated using the Orange County Assessors' parcel data - lot size, building size and number of floors - where the actual irrigable landscape area data is not available. The weather data is based on the reference Evapotranspiration (ET_0), which is the amount of water loss to the atmosphere over a given time period at given specific atmospheric conditions. ET_0 is the amount of water (in inches of water) needed for a hypothetical reference crop to maintain its health and appearance. The ET Adjustment Factor (ETAF) is a coefficient that adjusts ET_0 values based on plant factor and irrigation system efficiency. The updated California Department of Water Resources' Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance (Landscape Ordinance) provides the following ETAF for different landscapes:

- Existing landscape (Functional): $ETAF_{\text{Existing}} = 80\%$
- New development / redevelopment landscape (Functional): $ETAF_{\text{New}} = 70\%$
- Special landscape (Recreational): $ETAF_{\text{Recreational}} = 100\%$

The formula to calculate outdoor water budget is as follows:

$$OWB = \left(\frac{\text{Landscape Area} * ET_0 * ETAF}{1200} + V_{\text{outdoor}} \right) * DF_{\text{outdoor}}$$

where

- ET_0 is measured in inches of water during the billing period based on daily data acquired from the California Irrigation Management Information System (CIMIS) Station 75, which is the closest station to the District’s service area.
- ETAF (% of ET_0) is defined using the updated Landscape Ordinance as shown above.
- Landscape Area (or Irrigable Landscape Area) (in square feet) is the measured irrigable landscape area served by customer’s meter.
 - Where the measured irrigable landscape area is not available, the landscape area will be estimated by the following formula using the Orange County Assessors’ parcel data.
 - $$\text{Landscape Area (sq ft)} = 70\% * \left(\text{Lot Size} - \frac{\text{Building Size}}{\text{Number of Floors}} \right)$$
 - For accounts dedicated for domestic use only, such as multi-family units, 25 square feet of irrigable landscape area is provided for each dwelling unit for patio plants.
- DF_{outdoor} – Outdoor drought factor. The percentage of outdoor water budget allotted during drought conditions. The drought factor is subject to the approval of the District’s Board of Directors.
 - The outdoor drought factor is currently set at 100 percent.
 - To achieve the State’s mandatory cutback, the District proposes to reduce outdoor drought factor to 50% for FY 2015-16 to send stronger pricing signals to outdoor users.
- V_{outdoor} – Outdoor variance. The additional water allotment to be granted for extenuating circumstances is subject to District’s approval or verification as outlined in the variance program. Outdoor variance is subject to outdoor drought factor.
- 1200 is the conversion unit from inch* ft^2 to billing unit of hundred cubic feet (ccf).

Water Budget Allocations by Customer Type

The table below summarizes the water budget allocation by customer type. Both Single Family and Multi Family (restricted and unrestricted) customers will receive an indoor and outdoor water budget. Irrigation accounts will only receive an outdoor budget. Commercial and Public Authority (CII) customers will continue with the current uniform water rate structure.

Table 4-1: FY 2016 Water Budget Allocations by Customer Type

Customer Type	Water Budget Allocations	Default Values
Single Family	IWB + OWB	Household Size = 4 persons; GPCD = 55 ETAF _{New} = 70%; ETAF _{Existing} = 80%; DF _{outdoor} = 50%
Multi Family – Restricted	IWB + OWB	Household Size = 2 persons; GPCD = 55 ETAF _{New} = 70%; ETAF _{Existing} = 80%; DF _{outdoor} = 50%
Multi Family – Unrestricted	IWB + OWB	Household Size = 3 persons; GPCD = 55 ETAF _{New} = 70%; ETAF _{Existing} = 80%; DF _{outdoor} = 50%
Irrigation – Functional*	OWB	ETAF _{New} = 70%; ETAF _{Existing} = 80%; DF _{outdoor} = 50%
Irrigation – Recreational**	OWB	ETAF _{Recreational} = 100%; DF _{outdoor} = 50%

**Irrigation – Functional: whose landscape is ornamental in nature*
***Irrigation – Recreational: whose landscape is used mostly for recreational purposes (school, parks, golf etc...)*

4.2 Tier Definitions

Based on the information in Table 4-1, the tier definitions are developed as shown in Table 4-2 below. The main difference between Single Family/Multi Family and Irrigation accounts is that Irrigation accounts do not have a Tier 1 allotment which is reserved for indoor use. All three tiered customer types have their Tier 3 allotment defined as 30 percent of their respective total water budget and usage in excess of that falls in Tier 4.

Table 4-2: Tier Definitions by Customer Types

Tiers	Single Family	Multi Family	Irrigation
Tier 1 – Indoor Use	100% IWB	100% IWB	0% OWB
Tier 2 – Outdoor Use	100% OWB	100% OWB	100% OWB
Tier 3 – Inefficient Use	100% to 130% TWB	100% to 130% TWB	100% to 130% OWB
Tier 4 – Excessive Use	Above Tier 3	Above Tier 3	Above Tier 3

TWB = Total Water Budget = IWB + OWB

The tier definitions are tailored to the unique consumption patterns of the District’s customers and subject to the District’s policy decisions. The proposed tier definitions are based on RFC’s usage and impact analysis and numerous policy discussions with the Board. The first priority for water use is essential indoor water use for health, safety, and sanitary purposes. Based on the Board direction, indoor water use is eligible for revenue offsets from site leases and property tax revenues. Maintaining healthy landscape at efficient water use is non-essential, yet important; thus, efficient outdoor water use is required to pay the

Tier 2 rate. The total water budget is the sum of the indoor and outdoor water budgets. Tier 3 provides usage up to 30 percent of the total water budget and usage in excess of that level is considered to be excessive. The Tier 3 residential usage will represent approximately 4.4 percent of the total usage and Tier 4 usage represents about 2.9 percent of the total usage as shown in Table 4-3 below. The allocation between Tiers 3 and 4 provides a reasonable mechanism for providing incentives for conservation and meeting the District's objectives.

Any usage above an efficient level is subject to higher charges to fund conservation programs and any other supplemental water supply program. The current water supply is reserved for efficient water use within the District for indoor, outdoor, and commercial use. The higher Tier 3 rate serves as a signal for conservation and efficient use, whereas excessive use in Tier 4 incurs the highest marginal costs of providing service.

The Commercial class will continue to be billed at uniform rate, however, this rate will encompass domestic use and inefficient use. Based on SB x7-7 (i.e. Water Conservation Act of 2009), which requires commercial users to cut back by 10 percent, we define indoor and efficient outdoor (or process) use at 90 percent of total use and the remaining 10 percent use as inefficient. Additionally, indoor use is defined as 90 percent of the efficient use ($90\% \times 90\% = 81\%$) and the remainder is defined as efficient outdoor use ($10\% \times 90\% = 9\%$). The uniform rate charged to commercial customers will then be a blend of the usage defined here.

The District is currently in the process of converting approximately 216 accounts from potable to recycled water for irrigation purposes. These accounts are anticipated to convert at various times throughout the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016. Consequently, their projected consumption has been split between potable and recycled water and pro-rated based on the anticipated month of conversion during the fiscal year. This conversion is projected to reduce billed potable water consumption by approximately 630 AF from the FY 2015 projected potable water sales.

In response to the mandatory water usage cutbacks announced by the Governor, the District expects customers to curtail water usage during the drought period. Since usage in tiers will not decrease uniformly, the District projected which tiers are likely to experience usage reductions. Based on the tier definitions shown in Table 4-2 above and projected progress for RW conversion, the budgeted water usage for FY 2016 is estimated to meet the 24 percent mandatory cutback and shown in Table 4-3 below. The usage shown takes into account the proposed changes to the water budget allocation calculation such as the reduction of the GPCD from 60 to 55, Tier 2 being reduced to 50% of outdoor usage, and the projected reduction in Tiers 3 and 4.



Table 4-3: Budgeted Potable Water Usage by Tiers

Tiers	FY 2016	% of Total Use
Tier 1 – Indoor Use	1,661,408	52.0%
Tier 2 – Outdoor Use	874,438	27.4%
Tier 3 – Inefficient Use	140,145	4.4%
Tier 4 – Excessive Use	92,954	2.9%
Uniform – CII Use	428,014	13.4%
Total (ccf)	3,196,959 ccf	100%
Total (AF)	7,339 AF	

5 Pass-through Water Supply Costs

The District purchases water from the Municipal Water District of Orange County (MWDOC), a member agency of Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD). MWD rates are scheduled to increase in January 2016. The MWD rate increases, along with MWDOC’s other costs, will be included in the blended rates charged to the District. The weighted average purchased water costs from MWDOC for FY 2015 and FY 2016 are shown in Table 5-1 and include the direct cost of purchased water and the cost of the sold water, which considers impacts of typical water losses. See Appendix 1 for detailed water supply cost breakdown.

Table 5-1: Current and Projected MWDOC Unit Cost

	MWDOC Water Unit Cost (\$ / Unit Purchased)	MWDOC Water Unit Rate ⁹ (\$ / Unit Sold)
Current – FY 2014-15	\$2.29 / ccf	\$2.38 / ccf
Projected – FY 2015-16	\$2.40 / ccf	\$2.50 / ccf
Increase / Change	\$0.11 / ccf	\$0.12 / ccf

The net increase in the cost of purchased water from FY 2015 to FY 2016 is \$0.12 per ccf. Since all users in the District use water purchased from MWDOC, the cost of each tier of water applied to residential customers and the cost of the uniform rate should increase by \$0.12 per ccf as shown in Table 5-2 below.

Table 5-2: Water Supply Cost Component of the Water Rates (\$/ccf)

Tiers	Descriptions	Current	Proposed
Tier 1 – Indoor Use	MWDOC Water	\$2.38	\$2.50
Tier 2 – Outdoor Use	MWDOC Water	\$2.38	\$2.50
Tier 3 – Inefficient Use	MWDOC Water	\$2.38	\$2.50
Tier 4 – Excessive Use	MWDOC Water	\$2.38	\$2.50
Uniform – CII Use	MWDOC Water	\$2.38	\$2.50

⁹ Includes 300 AF water loss. Refer to Appendix 1 for detailed water supply cost calculations.

6 Water Cost of Service and Proposed Rates

This section details the revenue requirements and explains the allocation methodology consistent with Proposition 218 behind the cost of service calculations of the rates.

6.1 Water Revenue Requirements

The first step in rate-setting is determining a revenue requirement from water rates. The District’s total budgeted expenses excluding depreciation and interest expenses to provide water service for FY 2016 are \$12.311M (Appendix 2). Non-operating revenues such as cell-site lease, property tax, investment revenues reduce the revenue requirements by \$0.910M (Appendix 3). The District made the last of its debt service payments for an existing loan during FY 2015 and therefore has no debt service requirement. To further offset the revenue requirement, the District plans on using \$0.448M of operating reserves, producing a revenue requirement from unrestricted rates of \$10.953M. Then, funding for RW program (\$0.754M) and Conservation Program Funding (\$0.100M) are added for a total of \$11.807M. The RW and conservation program funding are collected in restricted reserves for appropriate future use. Finally, Fire Service Charges are backed out, creating a revenue requirement exclusive of fire service charges of \$11.717M.

Details of the figures presented in Table 6-1 can be found in Appendix 3, in the Cash Flows Analysis for the Water Funds. The Cash Flows Analysis is part of the Financial Plan developed by District staff to determine the long-term financial needs of the District. RFC based its determination of the revenue requirements and cost of service for 2016 on the Financial Plan developed by District Staff.

Table 6-1: Water Revenue Requirements from Rates

Water Operating Revenue Requirements	Budget FY 2016	Notes
Total Water O&M Expenses	\$12.311M	Appendix 2 & 3
Less (-) Non-Operating Revenues	-\$0.910M	Appendix 3
Plus (+) Debt Service	\$0.000M	Appendix 3
Plus (+) Operating Reserve Funding	-\$0.448M ¹⁰	Appendix 3
Total Rev Requirements from Unrestricted Rates	\$10.953M¹¹	
Plus (+) Restricted Reserve Funding for RW	\$0.754M	Appendix 6
Plus (+) Conservation Program Funding	\$0.100M	Appendix 6
Total Revenue Requirements from Rates	\$11.807M	
Less (-) Fire Service Charges ¹²	-\$0.090M	Appendix 6
Total Cost of Service excluding Fire Service Charges	\$11.717M	

¹⁰Negative value means funding from Reserves

¹¹ Total Revenue Requirements from Unrestricted Rates including Water Supply Rates with Pass-through for FY 2016 is \$7.93M+\$2.64M + \$0.38M= \$10.95M, can be found in Appendix 3 - the Cash Flows Analysis for the Water Funds

¹² Included in the fixed meter charges revenues reported in the operating budget as well as the Water cash flow

6.2 Cost of Service Analysis

Water systems are designed to accommodate the peak use of any class or type of customer. Different parts of a water system are designed to handle different peaks and there are significant costs associated with meeting peak requirements. For example, the District’s maximum day usage is estimated to be two times the average usage and facilities such as reservoirs are designed twice as large to ensure that maximum day requirements are met (reservoirs also are designed to meet fire flows). To allocate costs appropriately amongst the different type of usage, an analysis of the peaking costs is provided in Section 6.2.1.1.

6.2.1.1 Peaking Factor Analysis

RFC performed usage analyses for single family customers to determine the monthly peaking factors for each tier using 3-year average consumption (2009-2011) data for the 5,630 single family accounts. The results are shown in Table 6-2. The peaks in each tier are compared to the average for the class to establish the comparative peaking relationship among the tiers.

Table 6-2: Peaking Factor Analysis for Different Usage Types

Tiers	Individual Max Month Average Usage (per unit) ¹³	Average Usage per account / unit	Peaking factors (among tiers)
Indoor Use	7.91	18.09	0.44
Outdoor Use	18.00	18.09	1.00
Inefficient Use	25.12	18.09	1.39
Excessive Use	36.92	18.09	2.04

The proposed peaking factors are shown in Table 6-3 for each usage type. The tiers for residential customers are defined based on each usage class as shown in Table 6-3. Commercial use includes both indoor and outdoor use and therefore peaks more than indoor use but less than outdoor. Typical indoor use for commercial is estimated at 90 percent and outdoor use at 10 percent, thus an average of the indoor and outdoor peaking factors was used to approximate the commercial peaking factor (90% x 0.44 + 10% x 1.00) of 0.50. Note that the purpose of this analysis is to define the relative difference in the peaking factors for the different usage classes so that the costs are appropriately allocated.

¹³ Individual max month usage (per unit) = Max month usage per dwelling unit in the 12 months period for each account
 Individual Max Month Average Usage (per unit) = average of the individual max month usage

Table 6-3: Peaking Factors by Usage Class

Tiers	Relative Peaking Factors
Indoor Use	0.44
Outdoor Use	1.00
Inefficient Use	1.39
Excessive Use	2.04
Commercial Use	0.50

The different peaking factors, increasing in the direction of the arrow, may be conceptually represented on the scale shown below



6.2.1.2 Cost of Service Analysis

To allocate costs appropriately to the different usage classes and determine the cost of service rates, revenue requirements are allocated to the following cost categories (shown in Table 6-4)¹⁴ consistent with the Commodity-Demand methodology of the American Water Works Association (AWWA) M1 Manual, Principles of Water Rates, Fees, and Charges (M1 Manual):

1. Water supply costs: Imported water supply costs, allocated to all users in proportion to their usage (See Section 5).
2. Base fixed costs: fixed costs associated with operating and maintaining water system to deliver water to meet average demand.
3. Peaking costs: fixed costs associated with operating and maintaining water system to deliver water to meet peak demand.
4. RW Funding: The use of RW for non-potable needs releases potable supply for inefficient and excessive use. RW is in essence the least expensive supplemental source of water available to the District and creates supply for potable needs. The revenues collected under this category will be collected in restricted reserves to assist the RW fund to pay for debt services used to finance the RW expansion project completed in FY 2015.
5. Conservation: Conservation program cost, allocated to inefficient and excessive use to help them conserve water.

¹⁴ See Appendix 6 for details cost allocations

6. Revenue Offsets: Property taxes and cell tower lease revenues to provide incentive for indoor/domestic use.

The cost categories above are then assigned to each rate components as shown in Table 6-4 below

Fixed Rate Components (i.e. Monthly Service Charges)

- To recover customer service, meter service, administration and other base fixed costs and a portion of the peaking costs

Commodity Rate Components

- Water supply: to recover imported water supply costs
- Delivery / Peaking: to recover remaining peaking costs associated with operating and maintaining water system to deliver water to meet peak demand. These costs are allocated based on the peaking characteristics of each class of use.
- Recycled Water (RW): to generate supplemental funding sources to pay for the RW expansion project
- Conservation: to recover conservation program cost, allocated to inefficient and excessive use to help them conserve water.
- Revenue offsets: A portion of the property taxes and cell tower lease revenues to provide incentive for indoor/domestic use.

Capital R&R Charges:

- Funds for the capital replacement and refurbishment of the existing water and RW system.

Table 6-4 below summarizes the revenue requirement for each cost category. The “Total Cost of Service Excluding Fire Services” of \$11.717M, found in Table 6-1, is divided among the various cost components. The costs for RW Funding and Conservation are also found in Table 6-1. The Revenue Offset of \$0.377M is a portion of the \$0.910M of Non-Operating Revenue from Table 6-1; it is comprised of \$180K of cell site lease revenue and \$215K from property tax¹⁵. The revenue requirements for water supply, base fixed, and peaking were determined using COS allocation methods recommended by the AWWA. Details of how the revenue requirements for these three cost categories were determined can be found in Appendix 6.

The total revenue requirement for each cost category is then assigned to a particular rate component. For example, it is appropriate that the entirety of the water supply revenue requirement is assigned to the water supply rate component. RW Funding, Conservation, and the Revenue Offset are all assigned entirely to their respective rate components.

The AWWA M1 Manual describes a cost-of-service approach to setting water rates which results in the distribution of costs to each customer or customer class based on the costs that each incurs. A dual set of fees—fixed and variable—is an extension of this cost causation theory. For example, a utility incurs some

¹⁵ Remaining property tax is used to offset base fixed costs. Refer to Appendix 6 for details.

costs associated with serving customers irrespective of the amount or rate of water they use, such as billing and customer service costs. These types of costs are referred to as customer-related costs and typically are costs that would be recovered through a fixed charge. These costs are usually recovered on a per-customer basis or some other non-consumptive basis. Regardless of the level of a customer’s consumption, a customer will be charged this minimum amount on each bill. Utilities invest in and continue to maintain facilities to provide capacity to meet all levels of desired consumption including the peak demand plus fire protection, and these costs must be recovered regardless of the amount of water used during a given period. Thus, capacity or peaking costs along with base costs are generally considered as fixed water system costs. Ideally agencies could recover 100% of the fixed costs in the fixed charges, thus providing revenue stability; however, it foregoes the affordability for essential use and heavily impacts small users. AWWA’s standard methodology assigns and recovers these costs through the variable rate. This provides an incentive for conservation. To balance between affordability and revenue stability, it is a common practice that a portion of the base costs and peaking costs are recovered in the fixed charges along with the customer-related costs and meter-related costs. Revenue requirements for the District’s fixed monthly service charges include 100 percent of base fixed costs, inclusive of billing and customer service costs and other fixed costs to meet average demand, and a portion of the peaking costs. The remaining peaking costs (\$723K) are recovered in the delivery rate component of the commodity rates.

Table 6-4: Revenue Requirements by Cost Categories

Cost Categories	Budget FY 2016	Fixed Service Charges	Commodity Rates				Rev Offset
			Water Supply	Delivery	RW	Conservation	
Water Supply ¹⁶	\$7,987,953	\$0	\$7,987,953	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Base Fixed	\$2,219,788	\$2,219,788	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Peaking	\$1,050,510	\$327,792	\$0	\$722,717	\$0	\$0	\$0
RW Funding	\$754,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$754,000	\$0	\$0
Conservation	\$100,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$100,000	\$0
Revenue Offset	-\$395,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	-\$395,000
Net Revenue Requirements	\$11,717,251	\$2,547,580¹⁷	\$7,987,953	\$722,717	\$754,000	\$100,000	-\$395,000

No increases are necessary to fund the District’s programmed capital expenditures in FY 2016 (Table 6-5). At current Capital R&R charges, the District projects to collect \$1.337M in water capital revenues, with programmed capital expenditures of \$0.597M. An additional \$0.5M is reserved for funding of the Baker Water Treatment Plant Facility. The remaining \$0.241M will be put towards programmed capital

¹⁶ MWDOC Purchased Water Cost from Appendix 1

¹⁷ Monthly service charges will be assessed to both potable and RW meters to produce total of \$2.66M for FY 2016 under current rates, with \$2.55M from potable meters and \$112K from RW meters (Table 6-7)

expenditures in future years. Beginning in FY 2016, all capital revenues collected from converted RW customers will be put into a separate RW R&R fund. See Appendix 3 and Appendix 6 for further details.

Table 6-5: Capital R&R Revenue Requirements

Water & RW Capital Revenue Requirements	Budget FY 2016	Water	RW
Water Capital Expenditures	\$597,062	\$597,062	\$0
Plus (+) Restricted Reserve Funding	\$500,000	\$500,000	
Plus (+) Capital Reserve Funding	\$316,251	\$240,652	\$75,599
Total Water Capital R&R Revenues	\$1,413,313	\$1,337,714	\$75,599
Current Water Capital R&R Revenues	\$1,413,313	\$1,337,714	\$75,599
% Rate Increase	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

The rate structure remains unchanged and consists of the monthly fixed service and the volumetric commodity rates which are determined as follows (Table 6-6):

- The monthly service charge includes customer service, meter service and a portion of the peaking costs (shown in Table 6-6 and Table 6-7). There is no proposed increase in monthly fixed charges for potable water and RW meters for FY 2016.
- The volumetric water commodity rates include water supply (to recover total purchased water costs from MWD OC), delivery/peaking (to recover the District’s remaining peaking costs shown in Table 6-4), RW funding, conservation, and revenue offsets components.

Table 6-6: Cost Categories and Water Rate Structure

	Service Charges	Tier 1 Essential Use	Tier 2 Efficient Use	Tier 3 Inefficient Use	Tier 4 Excessive Use	Uniform Commercial Use
Water Supply		x	x	x	x	x
Fixed Delivery Cost	x	x	x	x	x	x
RW Program Funding				x	x	x
Conservation				x	x	x
Customer Service	x					
Meters	x					
Revenue Offset		x				x

Table 6-7: Proposed Monthly Service Charges

Monthly Service Charges	FY 2015	FY 2016
5/8"	\$9.98	\$9.98
3/4"	\$13.31	\$13.31
1"	\$19.95	\$19.95
1 1/2"	\$36.56	\$36.56
2"	\$69.81	\$69.81
Projected Revenues	\$2,660,916	\$2,660,916
Potable Meters	\$2,660,916	\$2,548,496
RW Meters		\$112,420

Delivery Rates (shown in Table 6-8) are applied to all rates based on peaking characteristics for each usage class (shown in Table 6-3). Indoor or domestic use has the lowest peaking factor; therefore all indoor use (residential and commercial) is assigned a lower delivery cost. Outdoor irrigation is associated with higher peaking factors, so outdoor use comprising of residential irrigation and the current dedicated irrigation classes (both functional and recreational), will have higher delivery costs. Inefficient and excessive use has even higher peaking factors and is assigned the highest delivery costs.

Table 6-8: Delivery Rate Calculations

	Rev Req ¹⁸	Total Usage	Relative Peaking Factors	Units of Equiv Service ¹⁹	Rate ²⁰ (\$ / ccf)
Tier 1 - Indoor	\$239,722	1,661,408 ccf	0.44	731,020 ccf	\$0.15
Tier 2 - Outdoor Use	\$286,752	874,438 ccf	1.00	874,438 ccf	\$0.33
Tier 3 - Inefficient Use	\$63,881	140,145 ccf	1.39	194,802 ccf	\$0.46
Tier 4 - Excessive Use	\$62,184	92,954 ccf	2.04	189,626 ccf	\$0.67
Uniform - Commercial Use	\$70,179	428,014 ccf	0.50	214,007 ccf	\$0.17
Total	\$722,717	3,196,959 ccf		2,203,892 ccf	\$737,284

Conservation programs are targeted to inefficient and excessive use and therefore conservation costs are applied only to inefficient and excessive use (shown in Table 6-9 and Table 6-10). The RW program is

¹⁸ Revenue Requirements

¹⁹ Units of Equivalent Service = Usage * Peaking (or Allocation) Factors

²⁰ Rounded to the nearest cent



associated with meeting the demands of inefficient and excessive use and RW program costs are therefore allocated to inefficient and excessive use only (usage in Tiers 3 and 4 and 10 percent of commercial use which is considered to be inefficient and allocated at the same rate as residential inefficient usage). The RW program provides recycled water and offsets potable water use which is then available for Tiers 3 and 4. To determine the recycled water costs to be assigned to Tiers 3 and 4, RFC obtained the costs of the recycled water system from the 1994 Recycled Water Master Plan. The cost of most efficient conversion is \$892/AF and the system-wide conversion cost is \$1,430/AF in 1994 dollars, which gives a ratio of 1:1.60. This ratio is utilized for the RW Program funding ratio between Tier 3 and Tier 4 to reflect that Tier 4, excessive usage, should carry the burden of the higher costs to fund the more extensive RW program and should pay more to fund this alternative source of water required to meet Tier 4 demands. Revenues from this cost component are collected in a restricted reserve used to meet the debt service requirements associated with the recycled water system which provides supplemental water and frees up valuable potable water resources to offset the demand imposed by inefficient and excessive use.

Table 6-9: RW Program Funding (aka RW) Rate Calculations

	Rev Req	Total Usage	Allocation Factors	Units of Equiv Service	Rate (\$ / ccf)
Tier 1 - Essential Use	\$0	1,661,408 ccf	0.00	0 ccf	\$0.00
Tier 2 - Efficient Use	\$0	874,438 ccf	0.00	0 ccf	\$0.00
Tier 3 - Inefficient Use	\$318,595	140,145 ccf	1.00	140,145 ccf	\$2.28
Tier 4 - Excessive Use	\$338,103	92,954 ccf	1.60	148,726 ccf	\$3.64
Uniform - Commercial Use	\$97,301	428,014 ccf	0.10	42,801 ccf	\$0.23
Total	\$754,000	3,196,959 ccf		331,673 ccf	\$756,326

Table 6-10: Conservation Program Funding (aka Conservation) Rate Calculations

	Rev Req	Total Usage	Allocation Factors	Units of Equiv Service	Rate ²¹ (\$ / ccf)
Tier 1 - Essential Use	\$0	1,661,408 ccf	0.00	0 ccf	\$0.00
Tier 2 - Efficient Use	\$0	874,438 ccf	0.00	0 ccf	\$0.00
Tier 3 - Inefficient Use	\$50,796	140,145 ccf	1.00	140,145 ccf	\$0.37
Tier 4 - Excessive Use	\$33,691	92,954 ccf	1.00	92,954 ccf	\$0.37
Uniform - Commercial Use	\$15,513	428,014 ccf	0.10	42,801 ccf	\$0.04
Total	\$100,000	3,196,959 ccf		275,900 ccf	\$103,367

Finally, based on the District's current policy objective to provide rate incentives for essential and efficient indoor use, revenues from cell tower lease (site lease income) and a portion of the property taxes received by the District is used to offset the essential and efficient usage rate. The offset applies to indoor/domestic use in Tier 1 and commercial indoor use (shown in Table 6-11).

- To minimize customer impacts and provide incentives for essential and efficient use, \$395K from cell tower lease revenues and a portion of property tax is used to provide a revenue offset for efficient indoor and efficient commercial indoor use.
- Note that it is assumed that efficient usage for commercial is 90 percent of total use and of that 90 percent, the indoor usage is 90 percent. Therefore, the indoor usage is 81 percent (90 percent x 90 percent) of the total commercial use. The revenue offset is applied to 81 percent of total commercial use to determine the revenue requirement from the commercial class.
- Note that \$0.19 /ccf is applied to the efficient indoor use; and since commercial rates are uniform, the incentive drops to \$0.15 /ccf when applied to the full commercial use. The remaining property tax is used to offset revenue requirements for fixed service charges. Note that all user classes benefit from this offset. Most irrigation customers have associated domestic usage which also benefits from the revenue offset.

²¹ Rounded Up to the nearest cent



Table 6-11: Revenue Offset Rate Calculations

	Rev Req	Total Usage	Allocation Factors	Units of Equiv Service	Rate ²² (\$ / ccf)
Tier 1 - Essential Use	-\$326,805	1,661,408 ccf	1.00	1,661,408 ccf	-\$0.19
Tier 2 - Efficient Use	\$0	874,438 ccf	0.00	0 ccf	\$0.00
Tier 3 - Inefficient Use	\$0	140,145 ccf	0.00	0 ccf	\$0.00
Tier 4 - Excessive Use	\$0	92,954 ccf	0.00	0 ccf	\$0.00
Uniform - Commercial Use	-\$68,195	428,014 ccf	0.81	346,691 ccf	-\$0.15
Total	-\$395,000	3,196,959 ccf		2,008,099 ccf	-\$379,870

In summary, the cost allocation methodology developed herein allocates the costs to customers, meters, and usage. Customer costs are the same for each account and other base fixed and a portion of peaking costs are proportional to the capacity of each meter. The remaining costs are allocated to each usage class in accordance with the demand they place on the system. The usage of each customer class is defined and the costs associated with the usage of each customer type provides the revenue to be recovered from that customer class. The rationale for allocating conservation costs and supplemental water costs allows the development of inclining tiered rates to provide incentives for conservation in the inefficient and excessive water usage identified with each customer class. This methodology meets the requirements of Proposition 218 and Article X of the California Constitution.

6.3 Proposed Rates

Based on the revenue requirements as shown in Table 6-4, there is no proposed change for monthly service charges in FY 2016.

Table 6-12: Monthly Service Charges

Monthly Service Charges, Meter Size	FY 2015	FY 2016	Number of Accounts ²³
5/8"	\$9.98	\$9.98	2,385
¾"	\$13.31	\$13.31	4,850
1"	\$19.95	\$19.95	433
1 ½"	\$36.56	\$36.56	695
2"	\$69.81	\$69.81	1,423
Projected Revenues	\$2,660,916	\$2,660,916	9,786

²² Rounded to the nearest cent

²³ Includes accounts converting to recycled water system



Water capital R&R charges will remain unchanged from FY 2015 levels and are shown in Table 6-13.

Table 6-13: Water Capital R&R Charges

Water Capital R&R Charges, Meter Size	Current	FY 2016	Number of Accounts
5/8"	\$4.66	\$4.66	2,385
3/4"	\$4.66	\$4.66	4,850
1"	\$7.78	\$7.78	433
1 1/2"	\$18.91	\$18.91	695
2"	\$47.47	\$47.47	1,423
Projected Revenues	\$1,413,313	\$1,413,313	9,786

Based on the individual water rate components shown in Tables 6-6 to 6-11 and the water supply rates shown in Table 5-2, the proposed water commodity rates by usage type for FY 2016 are shown in Table 6-14.

Table 6-14: Proposed Water Commodity Rates

Water Rates	FY 2016	Water Supply	Delivery	RW Program	Conservation	Rev Offset
Tier 1 – Essential Use	\$2.46	\$2.50	\$0.15	\$0.00	\$0.00	-\$0.19
Tier 2 – Efficient Use	\$2.83	\$2.50	\$0.33	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Tier 3 – Inefficient Use	\$5.61	\$2.50	\$0.46	\$2.28	\$0.37	\$0.00
Tier 4 – Excessive Use	\$7.18	\$2.50	\$0.67	\$3.64	\$0.37	\$0.00
Uniform – CII Use	\$2.79	\$2.50	\$0.17	\$0.23	\$0.04	-\$0.15

Based on the individual rate components shown in Table 6-14, the resulting commodity rates effective Aug 1, 2015 are shown in Table 6-15.

Table 6-15: Water Commodity Rates

Water Rates	Current	FY 2016	Projected Usage
Tier 1 – Essential Use	\$2.34	\$2.46	1,661,408
Tier 2 – Efficient Use	\$2.68	\$2.83	874,438
Tier 3 – Inefficient Use	\$5.04	\$5.61	140,145
Tier 4 – Excessive Use	\$7.04	\$7.18	92,954
Uniform – CII Use	\$2.63	\$2.79	428,014
Projected Revenues	\$8,717,592	\$9,209,505	3,196,959 ccf / 7,339 AF
Restricted Revenues	\$785,557	\$859,694	
Unrestricted Revenues	\$7,932,035	\$8,349,812	

7 Sewer Revenue Requirements and Proposed Rates

The sewer O&M expenses in FY 2016 are budgeted to be \$7.57M, as shown in Table 7-1 below. In FY 2016, the District projects to use \$304K from non-operating revenues to offset the sewer O&M expenses. In addition, as the District plans to pay off the SRF loan in FY 2016, a one-time transfer of \$2.285M from the State Revolving Fund Loan Restricted Reserve is included to offset the debt service payment of \$1.970M and to partially offset other revenue requirements for Sewer Enterprise. After accounting for the various offsets and debt service payments, the resulting revenue requirement from rates is \$7.275M. This represents a \$500k increase from FY 2015, which would require a 7.4 percent sewer rate increase. The line items shown in Table 7-1 below are further detailed in Appendix 5 – Cash Flow Analysis for Sewer Funds, developed by District Staff and provided to RFC as basis for cost of service analysis. Since the sewer cost structure has not changed, we believe that the cost of service analysis developed previously to determine rates is valid and rates may be increased across the board for FY 2016.

Table 7-1: Sewer Revenue Requirements from Rates (in thousands of dollars)

	Budget FY 2016
Sewer O&M Expenses	\$7,570
Less (-) Non-Operating Revenues	-\$304
Less (-) Funding from SRF Restricted Reserve	-\$2,285
Plus (+) Debt Service	\$1,970
Plus (+) Operating Reserve Funding	\$324
Total Revenue Requirement from Rates	\$7,275
Revenues from Current Sewer Rates	\$6,775
Required Revenue Adjustment	\$500
% Rate Increase	7.4%

As shown in Table 7-2, the District has \$3.2M in programmed capital expenditures for FY 2016, \$1.6M of which will be financed by reserves. The remainder will be PAYGO-funded through Sewer Capital R&R Revenues. No increase for Sewer Capital R&R is proposed for FY 2016.



Table 7-2: Sewer Capital &R Revenue Requirements (in thousands of dollars)

	Budget FY 2016
Total Capital Expenditure	\$3,201 ²⁴
Plus (+) Capital Reserve Funding	-\$1,615 ²⁵
Total Sewer Capital R&R Revenues	\$1,587²⁶
Current Sewer Capital R&R Revenues	\$1,587
% Rate Increase	0.0%

The sewer capital R&R charges remain unchanged (shown in Table 7-3). Table 7-4 shows the sewer rate changes from FY 2015 to FY 2016 with 7.4 percent (from Table 7-1) increase across the board.

Table 7-3: Sewer Capital R&R Charges

Sewer Capital R&R	FY 2015	FY 2016
Residential Unrestricted	\$4.93 / EDU	\$4.93 / EDU
Multi-Family Restricted	\$3.95 / EDU	\$3.95 / EDU
Multi-Family Unrestricted	\$4.69 / EDU	\$4.69 / EDU
Non-Residential	\$4.93 / EDU	\$4.93 / EDU

²⁴ Rounded from \$3,201,465

²⁵ Rounded from \$1,614,778

²⁶ Rounded from 1,586,687



Table 7-4: Sewer Rates by Customer Classes

Sewer Rates	FY 2015	FY 2016	\$ Change
Residential Unrestricted	\$20.50 / EDU	\$22.02 / EDU	\$1.52
Multi-Family Restricted	\$16.26 / EDU	\$17.46 / EDU	\$1.20
Multi-Family Unrestricted	\$19.33 / EDU	\$20.76 / EDU	\$1.43
Animal Kennel/Hospital	\$3.36 /ccf	\$3.61 /ccf	\$0.25
Car Wash	\$3.34 /ccf	\$3.59 /ccf	\$0.25
Department/Retail Store	\$3.36 /ccf	\$3.61 /ccf	\$0.25
Dry Cleaners	\$2.94 /ccf	\$3.16 /ccf	\$0.22
Golf Course/Camp/Park	\$2.93 /ccf	\$3.15 /ccf	\$0.22
Health Spa	\$3.35 /ccf	\$3.60 /ccf	\$0.25
Hospital/Convalescent Home	\$2.94 /ccf	\$3.16 /ccf	\$0.22
Hotel	\$5.09 /ccf	\$5.47 /ccf	\$0.38
Market	\$6.67 /ccf	\$7.17 /ccf	\$0.50
Mortuary	\$6.64 /ccf	\$7.14 /ccf	\$0.50
Nursery/Greenhouse	\$2.98 /ccf	\$3.20 /ccf	\$0.22
Professional/Financial Office	\$3.36 /ccf	\$3.61 /ccf	\$0.25
Public Institution	\$3.30 /ccf	\$3.55 /ccf	\$0.25
Repair/Service Station	\$3.35 /ccf	\$3.60 /ccf	\$0.25
Restaurant	\$3.17 /ccf	\$3.41 /ccf	\$0.24
Schools	\$3.47 /ccf	\$3.73 /ccf	\$0.26
Theater	\$3.36 /ccf	\$3.61 /ccf	\$0.25
Warehouse/Storage	\$2.65 /ccf	\$2.85 /ccf	\$0.20
Basic Commercial	\$2.94 /ccf	\$3.16 /ccf	\$0.22



8 Recycled Water Revenue Requirements and Proposed Rates

8.1 Recycled Water System

Prior to the completion of the Recycled Water Expansion Project, the District had only one recycled water (RW) customer who purchased secondarily treated disinfected recycled water - Laguna Woods Village Golf Course, operated by the Golden Rain Foundation (GRF). There was neither a monthly service charge nor a capital R&R charge for this RW customer since all services were provided base on the terms of the service contract. With the completion of the RW expansion project, all RW customers (existing and converted customers) will be supplied with higher quality tertiary RW, and subject to the corresponding rates that support the annual cost of providing tertiary RW.

In FY 2015, the District completed the expansion of its recycled water system, including water treatment plant (WTP) upgrades to tertiary treatment and RW transmission pipeline expansion. It anticipates increasing its RW sales by 630 acre feet (AF) in FY 2016 and up to 1,261 AF per year in FY 2017. The RW expansion capital cost, was financed by the following sources: State Revolving Fund (SRF) Loan, grants, and from restricted reserve (revenues from Tier 3 and Tier 4 potable usage dedicated to recycled water expansion).

8.2 Projected Recycled Water Sales

The newly-expanded RW system allows for the conversion of potable irrigation customers to RW, which will continue to occur through the end of FY 2016. The District has identified approximately 216 potable irrigation accounts to be converted to RW accounts. Table 8-1 shows the projected RW sales for FY 2016. The figures shown take into consideration that some accounts may convert to RW from potable during the middle of the fiscal year, therefore only a portion of their annual demand is included in Table 8-1.

Table 8-1: Projected Recycled Water Sales for FY 2016

RW Customers	Projected Sales	
Existing	425 AF	185,130 ccf
New	630 AF	274,428 ccf
Total	1,055 AF	459,558 ccf

8.3 Recycled Water Revenue Requirements from Rates

In FY 2015, the District began separating Recycled Water costs into an independent RW Enterprise Fund. Table 8-2 summarizes the RW revenue requirements from rates for FY 2016. RW O&M expenses and supply are budgeted to be \$1.03M, which will be partially offset by non-operating revenues of \$206K. The

RW Fund's debt service payment of \$1.58M will be largely covered by reserve funding, in the amount of \$1.132M. The line items shown in Table 8-2 below are further detailed in Appendix 4 – Cash Flow Analysis for RW Funds, developed by District Staff and provided to RFC as basis for the cost of service analysis.

Table 8-2: RW Revenue Requirement from Rates

	Budget FY 2016
Treatment Tertiary Recycled Water	\$120,900
Other RW O&M	\$906,776
Revenue Requirement for RW	\$1,027,676
Less (-) Non-Operating Revenues	-\$206,372
Less (-) Restricted Reserve Funding	-\$1,132,337
Plus (+) Debt Service	\$1,581,539
Plus (+) Operating Reserve Funding	\$0
Total Revenue Requirement from Rates	\$1,270,505

8.4 Proposed RW Rates

All RW customers connected to the recycled water distribution system will be assessed the same monthly service charges (shown in Table 8-3) and capital R&R charges (shown in Table 8-4) as potable customers to recover the customer service, meter service, a portion of capacity and other RW related fixed costs and to pay for capital R&R of expanded RW system. Upon the completion of the RW expansion in FY 2015, all RW customers (existing and converting customers) will be supplied with higher quality tertiary RW, and will be subject to the corresponding rates (shown in Table 8-5) that support the annual projected cost of providing tertiary RW.

Table 8-3: FY 2016 Monthly Service Charges

Monthly Service Charges Meter Size	FY 2016
5/8"	\$9.98
3/4"	\$13.31
1"	\$19.95
1 1/2"	\$36.56
2"	\$69.81



Table 8-4: FY 2016 Capital R&R Charges

Capital R&R Charges	FY 2016
5/8	\$4.66
3/4	\$4.66
1	\$7.78
1 1/2	\$18.91
2	\$47.47

Table 8-5 adjusts the “Total Revenue Requirements from RW rates” from Table 8-2 with the projected Monthly Service Charges paid by all RW accounts in FY 2016. The unit RW commodity rate is calculated using the net revenue requirements from RW commodity rates divided by projected RW sales of 459,558 ccf or 1,055 AF. The RW commodity rate for FY 2016 is \$2.52 / ccf or \$1,098 / AF, which is approximately 90% of Tier 2 Potable Water Commodity Rate for FY 2016 and provides an economic incentive for irrigation customers to convert to RW.

Table 8-5: Unit RW Commodity Rate Calculation

	Budget FY 2016
Total Revenue Requirement from RW Rates	\$1,270,505
Less (-) Monthly Service Charge	-\$112,420
Net Revenue Requirements from RW Commodity Rates	\$1,158,086
Projected RW Sales	459,558 ccf
Unit RW Commodity Rate	\$2.52/ ccf \$1,098/AF
Percent of Tier 2 Potable Water Rate	89%

9 Customer Impacts

Figure 9-1 below summarizes the bill impacts resulting from the proposed water rates, assuming there are no changes in consumption behavior. The updated rates will result in nominal impacts for the District's residential and irrigation customers under a water budget structure (shown in blue) and the commercial/industrial/institutional customers (shown in orange) under a uniform commodity rate structure. Approximately 54 (3+51) percent of all bills will experience a monthly bill increase of \$2 or less. Conversely, 25 (12+13) percent of all bills will experience a monthly bill increase of \$10 or more.

Figure 9-1: Overall Water Customer Bill Impacts from Proposed Rates

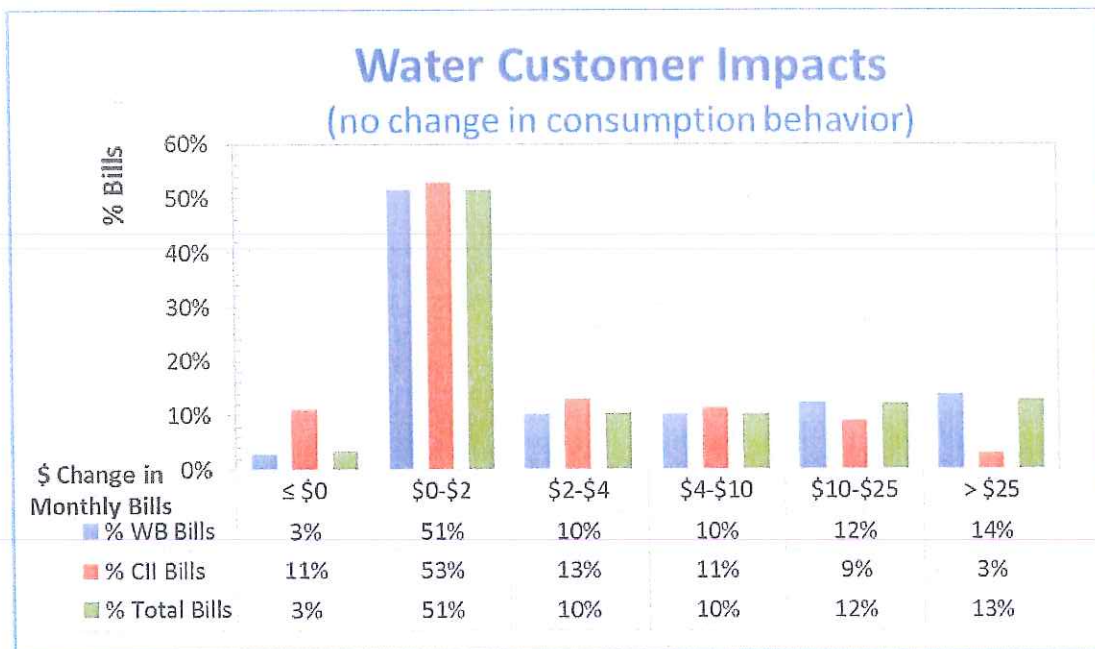
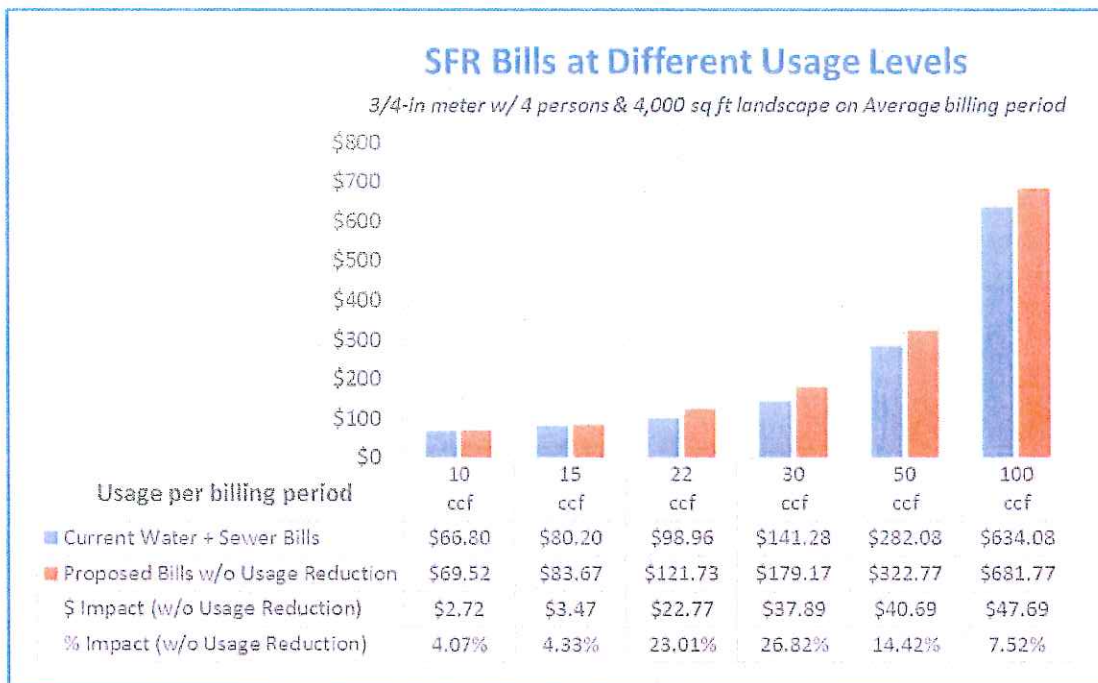


Figure 9-2 shows a breakdown of water and sewer bills at various water usage levels for a single family residential user with 4 occupants and 4,000 sq ft landscape area serviced by a ¾-in meter. For a residential customer using 15 units of water, the combined water and sewer bill increase would be \$3.47 per month, or 4.33%. Note that the impacts for recycled water are not shown because residential users do not purchase recycled water.

Figure 9-2: SFR Total Monthly Bill at Different Usage Levels





10 Appendices

10.1 Appendix 1 – Pass-through Water Supply Cost

Source: Provided by District Staff on May 14, 2015

EL TORO WATER DISTRICT
2015/16 PURCHASED WATER BUDGET

	2014/15 Budget		2014/15 Actual		2015/16 Budget	
	Jul 2014	Jan 2015	Jul 2014	Jan 2015	Jul 2015	Jan 2016
Period Demand (AF)	5,000	3,700	4,821	4,339		
Annual Demand (AF)						
Recycled Water Offset (AF)				75		
Total Period Demand (AF)			4,821	4,264	4,000	3,650
Annual Demand (AF)		8,700		9,085		7,650
System Access Rate	243.00	257.00	243.00	257.00	257.00	259.00
System Power Rate	161.00	126.00	161.00	126.00	126.00	138.00
Water Stewardship Rate	41.00	41.00	41.00	41.00	41.00	41.00
Delta Surcharge	-	0.00	-	0.00	-	0.00
MWD Tier 1 Rate	148.00	158.00	148.00	158.00	158.00	156.00
MWDOC Incremental Rate	0.60	0.60	0.50	0.50	-	-
Subtotal Untreated Full Service	593.60	582.60	593.50	582.50	582.00	594.00
Treatment Surcharge	297.00	341.00	297.00	341.00	341.00	348.00
Total Treated Full Service	890.60	923.60	890.50	923.50	923.00	942.00
Imported Water Charges						
RTS (\$)	303,618	287,790	303,555	287,735	287,735	278,630
MWDOC Connection Rate (\$/meter)	10.20		10.50		10.85	
ETWD Meters	9,806		9,806		9,806	
MWDOC Connection Charge (\$)	100,021		102,963		53,198	53,198
Capacity Reservation Charge Rate						
Capacity Reservation Charge Rate (\$/CFS)	6,400	8,600	8,600	11,100	11,100	10,300
ETWD CFS	22.0			22	22.0	
Total Capacity Reservation Charge	64,842	67,380	64,842	93,287	93,287	91,606
Total Period Water Cost	4,921,481	3,772,490	4,764,817	4,318,457	4,126,219	3,861,733
Total MWDOC Purchased Water Cost		8,693,971		9,083,274		7,987,953
Percent Increase Budget to Budget per Unit		5.51%				4.49%
Percent Increase Budget to Actual per Unit		5.09%				4.44%
Overall Imported Water Effective Rate	984.30	1,019.59	988.26	995.36	1,031.55	1,058.01
Fiscal Year Cost per Acre Foot Purchased		999.31		999.81		1,044.18
Fiscal Year Cost per CCF Purchased		2.29		2.30		2.40
Fiscal Year Rate per CCF Sold		2.38		2.36		2.50



10.2 Appendix 2 – O&M Expenses Allocations to Water, RW, and Sewer Funds

Source: Provided by District Staff on May 14, 2015

	2015/16 Budget	Water	Sewer	Recycled Water	Total
Source of Supply	8,093,427	8,093,427			8,093,427
					0
Pumping Water	263,406	263,406			263,406
Treatment Water	39,141	39,141			39,141
Transmission & Distribution Water	471,798	471,798			471,798
Customer Accounts	500	500			500
Outside Treatment Sewer	932,000		932,000		932,000
Pumping Sewer	346,022		346,022		346,022
Treatment Sewer	886,009		886,009		886,009
Treatment Tertiary Recycled Water	120,900			120,900	120,900
Transmission & Distribution Sewer	266,400		266,400		266,400
Operations Support	289,314	104,966	156,699	27,648	289,314
Operations Support Power	10,700	3,882	5,795	1,023	10,700
Fleet	344,845	125,113	186,776	32,955	344,845
Administration	223,500	81,088	121,053	21,359	223,500
Admin Power	46,300	16,798	25,077	4,425	46,300
Administration Indirect Costs	1,496,200	542,837	810,377	142,985	1,496,200
Depreciation & Amortization	2,906,845	1,166,070	1,740,775		2,906,845
Interest Expense	1,138,577	562,110	123,842	452,625	1,138,577
Total	17,875,884	11,471,138	5,600,826	803,920	17,875,884
Other O&M					
Purchased Water	8,093,427	8,093,427			8,360,953
SOCWA	920,000		920,000		920,000
Fuel & Power	1,198,000	237,580	867,573	92,847	1,198,000
Administration	223,500	81,088	121,053	21,359	223,500
Administration Indirect Costs	1,496,200	542,837	810,377	142,985	1,496,200
Depreciation & Amortization	2,906,845	1,166,070	1,740,775	0	2,906,845
Interest Expense	1,138,577	562,110	123,842	452,625	1,138,577
Total Other O&M	1,899,335	788,025	1,017,207	94,104	1,631,809
Labor	7,077,652	2,567,847	3,833,425	676,381	7,077,652
Total Expense	24,953,536	14,038,985	9,434,251	1,480,301	24,953,536
Less Depreciation & Interest	20,908,114	12,310,804	7,569,634	1,027,676	20,908,114

LABOR	15/16	Water	Sewer	Recycled
Salaries	\$ 5,089,587	\$ 1,846,556	\$ 2,756,641	\$486,390
Benefits (Less Employee Paid)	\$ 1,841,099	\$667,970	\$997,183	\$175,946
Workers Compensation	\$ 146,966	\$53,321	\$79,600	\$14,045
Total Labor Cost	\$ 7,077,652	\$ 2,567,847	\$ 3,833,425	\$ 676,381
		36.3%	54.2%	9.6%



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10.3 Appendix 3 – Cash Flow Analysis for Water Funds

Source: Provided by District Staff on May 14, 2015

	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
WATER CASH FLOW											
BEGINNING RESERVE BALANCE	5,712,300	7,932,322	7,725,436	7,806,948	7,667,332	7,597,537	7,381,034	7,436,648	7,483,374	7,549,389	7,602,294
OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE CASH FLOW											
O&M REVENUES											
Revenue from 14/15 Commodity Rates (Unrestricted)	9,624,919	7,932,035	8,525,208	8,525,208	8,525,208	8,525,208	8,525,208	8,525,208	8,525,208	8,525,208	8,525,208
Revenue from 14/15 Fixed Meter Rates	2,724,488	2,637,580	2,574,040	2,574,040	2,574,040	2,574,040	2,574,040	2,574,040	2,574,040	2,574,040	2,574,040
Additional Service Revenue Required											
Year											
2015/16	383,635	409,827	409,827	409,827	409,827	409,827	409,827	409,827	409,827	409,827	409,827
2016/16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2017/17	125,000	125,000	125,000	125,000	125,000	125,000	125,000	125,000	125,000	125,000	125,000
2017/18	32,844	32,844	32,844	32,844	32,844	32,844	32,844	32,844	32,844	32,844	32,844
2017/19	325,000	325,000	325,000	325,000	325,000	325,000	325,000	325,000	325,000	325,000	325,000
2018/18	262,754	262,754	262,754	262,754	262,754	262,754	262,754	262,754	262,754	262,754	262,754
2018/19	175,000	175,000	175,000	175,000	175,000	175,000	175,000	175,000	175,000	175,000	175,000
2019/19	361,287	361,287	361,287	361,287	361,287	361,287	361,287	361,287	361,287	361,287	361,287
2019/20	175,000	175,000	175,000	175,000	175,000	175,000	175,000	175,000	175,000	175,000	175,000
2020/20	394,131	394,131	394,131	394,131	394,131	394,131	394,131	394,131	394,131	394,131	394,131
2020/21	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000
2021/21	426,975	426,975	426,975	426,975	426,975	426,975	426,975	426,975	426,975	426,975	426,975
2021/22	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000
2022/22	426,975	426,975	426,975	426,975	426,975	426,975	426,975	426,975	426,975	426,975	426,975
2022/23	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000
2023/23	499,819	499,819	499,819	499,819	499,819	499,819	499,819	499,819	499,819	499,819	499,819
2023/24	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000
2024/24	407,286	407,286	407,286	407,286	407,286	407,286	407,286	407,286	407,286	407,286	407,286
2024/25	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000
Total Unrestricted Water Service Rate Revenue	12,349,406	10,952,251	11,654,075	11,991,919	12,029,673	12,565,960	13,585,091	14,412,066	14,864,041	15,548,860	16,356,146
Other Sources of Cash											
Restricted Reserves Funding of Conservation Program	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
Capital Charge Funding of Baker Debt Service	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000
Property Taxes	425,051	425,952	424,091	424,091	424,091	424,091	424,091	425,255	425,737	426,362	425,617
Miscellaneous Revenue	37,300	37,300	37,300	37,300	37,300	37,300	37,300	37,300	37,300	37,300	37,300
Other Income (Rate Leases)	180,000	180,000	180,000	180,000	180,000	180,000	180,000	180,000	180,000	180,000	180,000
Other Income (R-6 Partners)	132,000	132,000	134,640	137,333	140,079	142,861	145,739	148,635	151,627	154,669	157,752
Investment Income	25,000	25,000	36,627	39,633	36,337	37,538	36,305	37,185	37,467	37,747	38,011
Subtotal Other Sources of Cash	949,883	910,016	1,420,223	1,425,989	1,430,685	1,436,648	1,443,012	1,451,401	1,459,894	1,466,866	1,473,797
TOTAL O&M REVENUES (Unrestricted)	13,299,390	11,862,267	13,074,328	13,417,908	13,460,358	14,002,607	15,028,103	15,863,467	16,323,935	17,015,727	17,829,944
O&M REVENUE REQUIREMENTS											
Total O & M Expense	13,419,289	12,310,804	12,188,739	12,616,967	13,056,341	13,605,699	14,219,476	14,855,028	15,515,507	16,209,469	16,929,545
Debt Service	0	0	798,825	798,825	798,825	798,825	798,825	798,825	798,825	798,825	798,825
Subtotal Debt Service	0	0	798,825	798,825	798,825	798,825	798,825	798,825	798,825	798,825	798,825
TOTAL O&M REVENUE REQUIREMENTS	13,419,289	12,310,804	12,987,563	13,415,792	13,855,166	14,404,524	15,018,301	15,653,853	16,314,332	17,008,294	17,728,370
ANNUAL O&M SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	(125,899)	(447,538)	667,765	2,117	5,193	(1,856)	10,202	11,314	10,693	7,493	1,574



	2015-15	2015-16	2015-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2022-24	2024-25
WATER CASH FLOW											
BEGINNING RESERVE BALANCE	5,712,500	7,934,322	7,725,486	7,805,648	7,467,332	7,507,537	7,381,034	7,435,648	7,483,374	7,549,369	7,602,294
CAPITAL REPLACEMENT & REFURBISHMENT PROGRAM											
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES											
Capital Replacement & Refurbishment Program	1,567,591	597,062	779,885	936,844	960,400	920,058	750,000	750,000	750,000	750,000	750,000
Baker Pipeline Capacity Purchase											
Baker Water Treatment Plant											
Baker Water Treatment Plant Construction Period Interest											
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	1,567,591	597,062	779,885	936,844	960,400	920,058	750,000	750,000	750,000	750,000	750,000
CAPITAL PROGRAM REVENUE											
Unrestricted Revenue from Existing Capital Charge	913,313	837,714	795,412	795,412	795,412	795,412	795,412	795,412	795,412	795,412	795,412
Subtotal Capital Charge Revenue	913,313	837,714	795,412	795,412	795,412	795,412	795,412	795,412	795,412	795,412	795,412
Loan Proceeds - Baker											
Loan Proceeds - Recycled Water Project - SRF	3,000,000										
Capital Reserves											
TOTAL CAPITAL REVENUE	3,013,313	837,714	795,412	795,412	795,412	795,412	795,412	795,412	795,412	795,412	795,412
ANNUAL CAPITAL SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	2,345,722	240,652	15,447	(141,433)	(164,988)	(124,647)	45,412	45,412	45,412	45,412	45,412
TOTAL CASH FLOW											
TRANSFER FROM RECYCLED WATER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL ANNUAL RESERVE IMPACT	2,219,822	(206,869)	81,212	(139,319)	(159,795)	(126,502)	55,614	56,726	56,015	52,905	46,985
ENDING RESERVE BALANCE	7,934,322	7,725,486	7,805,648	7,467,332	7,507,537	7,381,034	7,435,648	7,483,374	7,549,369	7,602,294	7,649,279



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10.4 Appendix 4 – Cash Flow Analysis for Recycled Water Funds

Source: Provided by District Staff on May 14, 2015

	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
RECYCLED WATER CASH FLOW											
BEGINNING RESERVE BALANCE	0	0	75,599	193,501	311,402	429,303	547,205	665,106	783,008	900,909	1,019,811
OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE CASH FLOW											
O&M REVENUES											
Revenue from Commodity Rates	288,694	1,158,086	1,498,377	1,570,447	1,613,888	1,675,971	1,744,251	1,818,739	1,887,019	1,967,714	2,029,787
Revenue from 1415 Fixed Water Rates	28,512	112,420	175,960	175,960	175,960	175,960	175,960	175,960	175,960	175,960	175,960
Additional Service Revenue Required											
Year	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	
Rate Action											
Rate Increase	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rate Decrease	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rate Increase	7,998	7,998	7,998	7,998	7,998	7,998	7,998	7,998	7,998	7,998	7,998
Rate Increase	20,795	20,795	20,795	20,795	20,795	20,795	20,795	20,795	20,795	20,795	20,795
Rate Increase	11,197	11,197	11,197	11,197	11,197	11,197	11,197	11,197	11,197	11,197	11,197
Rate Increase	11,197	11,197	11,197	11,197	11,197	11,197	11,197	11,197	11,197	11,197	11,197
Rate Increase	14,397	14,397	14,397	14,397	14,397	14,397	14,397	14,397	14,397	14,397	14,397
Rate Increase	12,797	12,797	12,797	12,797	12,797	12,797	12,797	12,797	12,797	12,797	12,797
Rate Increase	14,397	14,397	14,397	14,397	14,397	14,397	14,397	14,397	14,397	14,397	14,397
Rate Increase	12,797	12,797	12,797	12,797	12,797	12,797	12,797	12,797	12,797	12,797	12,797
Total Recycled Water Service Rate Revenue	317,206	1,270,506	1,682,335	1,775,201	1,829,849	1,903,120	1,985,797	2,073,081	2,155,758	2,250,350	2,325,720
Other Sources of Cash											
Restricted Reserves Funding of Debt Service	(291,153)	2,713,876	723,078	677,822	674,984	652,026	624,158	594,228	571,590	539,363	530,170
IMVD LRP Rebate	18,750	170,000	250,000	250,000	250,000	250,000	250,000	250,000	250,000	250,000	250,000
Property Taxes	1,647	36,372	36,896	39,029	39,310	39,367	39,362	39,372	39,386	39,395	39,551
Restricted Reserve - SRF Loan	(1,581,539)										
Subtotal Other Sources of Cash	(270,756)	1,338,709	1,011,974	966,921	962,304	941,394	913,519	883,600	860,976	828,758	819,721
TOTAL O&M REVENUES	46,450	2,609,215	2,694,310	2,742,121	2,792,153	2,844,513	2,899,316	2,956,681	3,016,734	3,079,608	3,145,441
O&M REVENUE REQUIREMENTS	46,450	1,027,676	1,112,771	1,160,582	1,210,614	1,262,974	1,317,777	1,375,142	1,435,196	1,498,069	1,563,902
Total O & M Expense											
Debt Service	0	1,581,539	1,581,539	1,581,539	1,581,539	1,581,539	1,581,539	1,581,539	1,581,539	1,581,539	1,581,539
Recycled Water SRF Loan	0	1,581,539	1,581,539	1,581,539	1,581,539	1,581,539	1,581,539	1,581,539	1,581,539	1,581,539	1,581,539
Subtotal Debt Service	0	1,581,539	1,581,539	1,581,539	1,581,539	1,581,539	1,581,539	1,581,539	1,581,539	1,581,539	1,581,539
TOTAL O&M REVENUE REQUIREMENTS	46,450	2,609,215	2,694,310	2,742,121	2,792,153	2,844,513	2,899,316	2,956,681	3,016,734	3,079,608	3,145,441
ANNUAL O&M SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



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	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
RECYCLED WATER CASH FLOW											
BEGINNING RESERVE BALANCE	0	0	75,599	193,501	311,402	429,303	547,205	665,106	783,008	900,909	1,018,811
CAPITAL REPLACEMENT & REFURBISHMENT PROGRAM											
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES											
Capital Replacement & Refurbishment Program											
Recycled Water Expansion Project											
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CAPITAL PROGRAM REVENUE											
Revenue from Existing Capital Charge	0	75,599	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901
Subtotal Capital Charge Revenue	0	75,599	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901
Recycled Water Project Grant	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Restricted Reserves Funding of Recycled Water Project	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Loan Proceeds - Recycled Water Project-SRF	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital Reserves	0	75,599	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901
TOTAL CAPITAL REVENUE	0	75,599	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901
ANNUAL CAPITAL SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	0	75,599	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901
TRANSFER TO WATER COST CENTER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TRANSFER TO SEWER COST CENTER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL CASH FLOW	0	75,599	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901	117,901
TOTAL ANNUAL RESERVE IMPACT	0	75,599	193,501	311,402	429,303	547,205	665,106	783,008	900,909	1,018,811	1,136,712
ENDING RESERVE BALANCE	0	75,599	193,501	311,402	429,303	547,205	665,106	783,008	900,909	1,018,811	1,136,712



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10.5 Appendix 5 – Cash Flow Analysis for Sewer Funds

Source: Provided by District Staff on May 14, 2015

	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
SEWER CASH FLOW											
Revenue from 14/15 Service Rates	6,847,696	6,775,000	6,775,000	6,775,000	6,775,000	6,775,000	6,775,000	6,775,000	6,775,000	6,775,000	6,775,000
OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE CASH FLOW											
BEGINNING RESERVE BALANCE	5,712,500	5,701,619	4,411,246	4,377,336	4,598,724	4,676,549	4,693,400	4,522,454	4,368,941	4,215,913	4,070,459
O&M REVENUES											
Revenue from 14/15 Service Rates	6,847,696	6,775,000	6,775,000	6,775,000	6,775,000	6,775,000	6,775,000	6,775,000	6,775,000	6,775,000	6,775,000
Additional Service Revenue Required											
Year	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	
COS rate increase	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000
COS rate increase	550,000	550,000	550,000	550,000	550,000	550,000	550,000	550,000	550,000	550,000	550,000
COS rate increase	325,000	325,000	325,000	325,000	325,000	325,000	325,000	325,000	325,000	325,000	325,000
COS rate increase	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000
COS rate increase	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000
COS rate increase	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000
COS rate increase	425,000	425,000	425,000	425,000	425,000	425,000	425,000	425,000	425,000	425,000	425,000
COS rate increase	425,000	425,000	425,000	425,000	425,000	425,000	425,000	425,000	425,000	425,000	425,000
Total Wastewater Service Rate Revenue	6,847,696	7,275,000	7,825,000	8,150,000	8,475,000	8,825,000	9,175,000	9,575,000	9,975,000	10,400,000	10,825,000
Other Sources of Cash											
Release SRF Restricted Reserve	571,267										
Restricted Reserve Funding of WRP SRF Debt Service	571,267	1,713,801									
Property Taxes	262,670	267,912	275,018	275,850	276,738	276,542	275,904	275,373	274,877	274,343	274,832
IMAWD Payment for RW Service to Golf Course	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000
Capital Facilities Fee	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Investment Income	25,000	25,000	22,056	21,887	22,994	23,383	23,467	22,612	21,845	21,060	20,352
Subtotal Other Sources of Cash	869,937	2,588,980	308,074	308,737	310,732	310,924	310,371	308,985	307,722	306,423	306,184
TOTAL O&M REVENUES	7,717,633	9,863,980	8,133,074	8,458,737	8,785,732	9,135,924	9,485,371	9,883,985	10,282,722	10,706,423	11,131,184
O&M REVENUE REQUIREMENTS											
Total O & M Expense	7,410,074	7,569,634	7,867,880	8,188,170	8,522,646	8,871,977	9,236,865	9,618,047	10,016,296	10,432,425	10,867,286
Debt Service											
State Revolving Fund Loan	571,267	1,713,801									
Northline Lift Station	256,140	256,140	256,140	256,140	256,140	256,140	256,140	256,140	256,140	256,140	256,140
Subtotal Debt Service	827,407	1,969,941	256,140	256,140	256,140	256,140	256,140	256,140	256,140	256,140	256,140
TOTAL O&M REVENUE REQUIREMENTS	8,237,480	9,539,575	8,124,020	8,444,309	8,778,785	9,128,115	9,493,004	9,874,186	10,272,436	10,688,565	11,127,425
ANNUAL O&M SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	(519,847)	324,405	9,054	14,427	6,947	7,808	(7,633)	9,799	10,286	17,856	7,759



	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
SEWER CASH FLOW											
BEGINNING RESERVE BALANCE	5,712,500	5,701,619	4,411,246	4,377,336	4,598,724	4,676,549	4,693,400	4,522,454	4,368,941	4,215,913	4,070,459
CAPITAL REPLACEMENT & REFURBISHMENT PROGRAM											
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES											
Capital Replacement & Refurbishment Program	1,077,721	3,201,465	1,629,652	1,379,726	1,515,808	1,577,644	1,750,000	1,750,000	1,750,000	1,750,000	1,750,000
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	1,077,721	3,201,465	1,629,652	1,379,726	1,515,808	1,577,644	1,750,000	1,750,000	1,750,000	1,750,000	1,750,000
CAPITAL PROGRAM REVENUE											
Revenue from Existing Capital Charge	1,586,687	1,586,687	1,586,687	1,586,687	1,586,687	1,586,687	1,586,687	1,586,687	1,586,687	1,586,687	1,586,687
Subtotal Capital Charge Revenue	1,586,687	1,586,687	1,586,687	1,586,687	1,586,687	1,586,687	1,586,687	1,586,687	1,586,687	1,586,687	1,586,687
Loan Proceeds - Northline Capital Reserves											
TOTAL CAPITAL REVENUE	1,586,687	1,586,687	1,586,687	1,586,687	1,586,687	1,586,687	1,586,687	1,586,687	1,586,687	1,586,687	1,586,687
ANNUAL CAPITAL SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	508,966	(1,614,778)	(42,965)	206,961	70,879	9,043	(163,313)	(163,313)	(163,313)	(163,313)	(163,313)
TOTAL CASH FLOW											
TRANSFER FROM RECYCLED WATER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL ANNUAL RESERVE IMPACT	(10,881)	(1,290,373)	(33,910)	221,388	77,825	16,851	(170,946)	(153,514)	(153,027)	(146,455)	(155,554)
ENDING RESERVE ANALYSIS	5,701,619	4,411,246	4,377,336	4,598,724	4,676,549	4,693,400	4,522,454	4,368,941	4,215,913	4,070,459	3,914,905



10.6 Appendix 6 -- Detailed Water Cost of Service Analysis

Peaking Factors	Base Cost Allocation	Peaking Cost Allocation
Max Day	50%	50%
Max Hour	33%	67%
Average Demand	42%	58%

Water Revenue Requirements	2015/16 Budget	Water Supply	Base Fixed	Water Revenue Requirement Components		
				Peaking	RW	Conservation
O&M Expenses (excl. Interest & Depreciation)						
Source of Supply	\$8,093,427	98.7%	1.3%			
Pumping Water	\$263,406		50.0%	50.0%		
Treatment Water	\$39,141		50.0%	50.0%		
Transmission & Distribution Water	\$471,798		41.7%	58.3%		
Customer Accounts	\$500		100.0%			
Operations Support	\$104,966		100.0%			
Operations Support Power	\$3,882		100.0%			
Fleet	\$125,113		100.0%			
Administration	\$81,088		100.0%			
Admin Power	\$16,798		100.0%			
Administration Indirect Costs	\$542,837		100.0%			
Labor	\$2,567,847		75.7%	24.3%		
Subtotal O&M Expenses	\$12,310,804	\$7,987,953	\$3,272,342	\$1,050,510	\$0	\$0
Other Rev Requirements						
Conservation Program (Restricted)	\$100,000				100.0%	
RW Program Funding (Restricted)	\$754,000			100.0%		
Debt Service	\$0		0.0%			
Unrestricted Capital R&R Funding	\$837,714			100.0%		
Restricted Capital R&R Funding (Baker WTP)	\$500,000					100.0%
Subtotal Other Rev Requirements	\$2,191,714	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$754,000	\$100,000
Less Other Revenues						
Fire Service Charges	-\$90,000		100.0%			
Restricted Reserves Funding of Conservation Program	-\$100,000		100.0%			
Property Taxes	-\$435,716		50.7%			49.3%
Miscellaneous Revenue	-\$37,300		100.0%			
Other Income (Site Leases)	-\$180,000		100.0%			100.0%
Other Income (R-6 Partners)	-\$132,000		100.0%			
Investment Income	-\$25,000		100.0%			
Subtotal Other Revenues	-\$1,000,016	\$0	-\$605,016	\$0	\$0	-\$395,000
Plus Operating Reserve Funding	-\$447,538		100.0%			
NET REV REQUIREMENTS FROM RATES, EXC. FIRE SC	\$13,054,965	\$7,987,953	\$2,219,788	\$1,050,510	\$754,000	\$100,000
						\$1,337,714



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Water Revenue Requirements	2015/16 Budget	Fixed Charges	Water Supply	Water Rate Components				
				Delivery	RW	Conservation	Rev Offset	Capital R&R
Water Supply	\$7,987,953		100.0%					
Base Fixed	\$2,219,788	100.0%		0%				
Peaking	\$1,050,510	31.2%		69%				
RW	\$754,000				100.0%			
Conservation	\$100,000					100.0%		
Rev Offsets	-\$395,000						100.0%	
Capital R&R	\$1,337,714							100.0%
Total	\$13,054,965	\$2,547,580	\$7,987,953	\$722,717	\$754,000	\$100,000	-\$395,000	\$1,337,714

10.7 Appendix 7 – Recycled Water Meter Conversion Schedule

Source: Provided by District Staff on November 2014

	Jun-15	Jul-15	Aug-15	Sep-15	Oct-15	Nov-15	Dec-15	Jan-16	Feb-16	Mar-16	Apr-16	May-16	Jun-16	FY 2015-16
5/8-in	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3/4-in	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1-in	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1 1/2-in	9	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	15
2-in	67	10	12	11	11	11	11	12	11	11	11	13	10	201
Total	76	11	13	12	11	11	11	12	11	11	13	13	11	216