

CITY OF WEED
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**NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS AND CUSTOMERS OF
PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED RATE INCREASES**



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The City of Weed will hold a Public Hearing on proposed new water and sewer rates on Thursday, February 16, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 550 Main Street, Weed, California. See the proposed rates on the reverse side. Rates for other users may be obtained at City Hall, 550 Main Street, found posted on the City's web site at <http://ci.weed.ca.us>, or may be requested by calling 530-938-5020 during normal weekday business hours, or by mail at P. O. Box 470, Weed, CA 96094.

The City provides water to approximately 1,000 water and sewer connections inside the City limits, and up to 63 sewer connections outside of the City limits in the Hidden Meadows Subdivision located east of Shastina Drive.

The City is supplied water by a combination of spring and well sources. Normally water is supplied from the Beaghan Springs and Mazzei Well. The Gazelle Well is a backup source when the Mazzei Well is out of service. Water from the Beaghan Springs and Mazzei Well is of excellent quality and requires no treatment or chlorination at this time. If future State and Federal water regulations require it, the City would have to begin chlorinating its entire water supply and maintain a chlorine residual throughout the distribution system in the future.

The City maintains and operates the Weed and Shastina Wastewater Systems. The existing wastewater collection, treatment and disposal facilities for both systems perform adequately and keep up with current flows. Future growth will require major expansions and improvements to both treatment facilities and a supplemental or alternate location for effluent disposal.

PROTEST PROCESS

If you wish to protest the proposed service rate increases, the City must receive your *written* protest prior to the close of the public hearing on February 16, 2012. As required by California Proposition 218, should the City Council receive written protests from a majority of customers, the proposed rates will not become effective and the current rates will remain in place. Mail or deliver written protests to:

Attention: Rate Protest
City of Weed
P. O. Box 470
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For your protest to be counted, please include the following: a) identify the affected property by its Assessor's Parcel Number or address; b) identify the property owner; and c) include the property owner's signature. Protests are limited to one per parcel. If you have any questions about the protest process, please call (530) 938-5020.

Why Rate Increases are Needed

The City of Weed is proposing to phase in a series of rate increases over the next seven years. The increase is needed to eliminate fund deficits, to restore budget balances and provide funding for a 10 percent reserve balance. Water rates pay for the safe and reliable delivery of water to all residents and businesses, and wastewater rates pay for the safe and reliable removal of wastewater (sewage) from all residences and businesses.

Proposed Changes to Water Rates

Current base water rate is based on your meter size, and the seven-year plan is shown below. Customers will see a base monthly rate increase starting with the bill received in early April. In early July that rate is adjusted by the Consumer's Price Index and that rate change is seen on the bill received in early August. Year Two of the seven-year rate adjustment program starts with the bill received in April, 2013. Please note: Actual monthly rates will be slightly different because the Consumer Price Index (CPI) adjustment is cumulative and applied each July 1 as noted in the paragraphs above.

Meter size and Maximum # cubic feet	Current Rate Effective 7/1/2011 Minimum	Year One Rate 24.90% Minimum	Year Two Rate 3.60% Minimum	Year Three Rate 3.40% Minimum	Year Four Rate 3.30% Minimum	Year Five Rate 3.20% Minimum	Year Six Rate 3.10% Minimum	Year Seven Rate 3% Minimum
5/8" ----- 1000	14.10	17.61	18.24	18.86	19.48	20.11	20.73	21.35
3/4" ----- 1300	19.40	24.23	25.10	25.95	26.81	27.67	28.53	29.39
1" ----- 1500	24.50	30.60	31.70	32.78	33.86	34.94	36.02	37.10
1.5" -- 1800/construction	38.85	48.52	50.27	51.98	53.70	55.42	57.14	58.85
2" ---- 2500	58.20	72.69	75.31	77.87	80.44	83.01	85.58	88.15
3" ---- 3000	77.60	96.92	100.41	103.82	107.25	110.68	114.11	117.53
4" ---- 3500	96.95	121.09	125.45	129.72	134.00	138.29	142.58	146.86

Proposed Changes to Sewer Rates

Current base sewer rate is dependent on your business category. Customers will see a base monthly rate adjustment starting with the bill received in early April. In early July that rate is adjusted by the Consumer's Price Index and that rate is seen on the bill received in early August. Year Two of the seven-year rate adjustment program starts with the bill received in April, 2013. The seven-year plan is shown below. Please note: Actual monthly rates will be slightly different because the Consumer Price Index (CPI) adjustment is cumulative and applied each July 1 as noted in the paragraphs above.

	Current Rate Effective 7/1/2011			Year One Rate 12% (1.12)			Year Two Rate 2% (1.02)			Year Three Rate 1.9% (1.019)			Year Four Rate 1.9% (1.019)			Year Five Rate 1.9% (1.019)			Year Six Rate 1.9% (1.019)			Year Seven Rate 1.8% (1.018)		
	Rate/ Unit	Rate/ Account	Charge/ 100 Cu Ft or unit	Rate/ Unit	Rate/ Account	Charge/ 100 Cu Ft or unit	Rate/ Unit	Rate/ Account	Charge/ 100 Cu Ft or unit	Rate/ Unit	Rate/ Account	Charge/ 100 Cu Ft or unit	Rate/ Unit	Rate/ Account	Charge/ 100 Cu Ft or unit	Rate/ Unit	Rate/ Account	Charge/ 100 Cu Ft or unit	Rate/ Unit	Rate/ Account	Charge/ 100 Cu Ft or unit	Rate/ Unit	Rate/ Account	Charge/ 100 Cu Ft or unit
Bar	37.35			41.83			42.67			43.48			44.31			45.15			46.01			46.83		
Bakery	24.90			27.89			28.45			28.99			29.54		30.10				30.67			31.22		
Beauty/Barber Shop	24.90			27.89			28.45			28.99			29.54		30.10				30.67			31.22		
Church/Government	37.35			41.83			42.67			43.48			44.31		45.15				46.01			46.83		
College of the Siskiyou and Dormitory	1,872.35			2,097.03			2,138.97			2,179.61			2,221.03		2,263.23				2,306.23			2,347.74		
Gas Station		6.35	1.63		7.11	1.83		7.25	1.86		7.39	1.90		7.53	1.93		7.68	1.97		7.82	2.01		7.96	2.04
Hospital, Convalescent	412.25			461.72			470.95			479.90			489.02		498.31			507.78				516.92		
Laundromat		6.35	1.63		7.11	1.83		7.25	1.86		7.39	1.90		7.53	1.93		7.68	1.97		7.82	2.01		7.96	2.04
Market, large		6.35	1.57		7.11	1.75		7.25	1.79		7.39	1.82		7.53	1.86		7.68	1.89		7.82	1.93		7.96	1.96
Market, small		6.35	1.36		7.11	1.53		7.25	1.56		7.39	1.59		7.53	1.62		7.68	1.65		7.82	1.68		7.96	1.71
Medical Office		6.35	1.46		7.11	1.94		7.25	1.67		7.39	1.71		7.53	1.74		7.68	1.77		7.82	1.80		7.96	1.84
Motel/Hotel		6.35	4.94		7.11	6.53		7.25	5.64		7.39	5.75		7.53	5.86		7.68	5.97		7.82	6.08		7.96	6.19
Other, Commercial use	24.90			27.89			28.45			28.99			29.54		30.10				30.67			31.22		
Other, Industrial use	37.35			41.83			42.67			43.48			44.31		45.15				46.01			46.83		
Park, Mobile Home		6.35	11.59		7.11	12.98																		
Park, Recreation Vehicle		6.35	5.19		7.11	5.81																		
Residence, Multi Family		6.35	13.03		7.11	14.59																		
Residence, Single Family	19.40			21.73			22.16			22.58			23.01		23.45				23.90			24.33		
Restaurant		6.35	2.40		7.11	2.69		7.25	2.74		7.39	2.79		7.53	2.85		7.68	2.90		7.82	2.96		7.96	3.01
School, Elementary	367.25			411.32			419.55			427.52			435.64		443.92				452.35			460.48		
School, High	208.15			233.13			237.79			242.31			246.91		251.60				256.36			261.00		