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# QUAIL VALLEY WATER DISTRICT **NEWS**

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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## **DROUGHT UPDATE**

Despite the winter rains and snow, the water levels in our wells continues to decline so we need to remind all water users to continue to conserve water. With the increase in fulltime residents in Sand Canyon, our water demands are outstripping mother natures ability to replenish our supply. As a reminder, Quail Valley Water District continues to operate under a Stage 2 water shortage emergency which limits outdoor watering to 2 days per week unless irrigation is performed using a low-flow drip system or is done by hand. The full text of the Water Conservation Ordinance is available on our website at [www.qvwd.org](http://www.qvwd.org).

## **Online Bill Payments**

Our provider for credit card processing made some changes to there system that the District felt were not in our best interest and we have changed providers. You can now pay your bill online by clicking on the "Pay Your Water Bill Online" box on our website which will direct you to our credit card processing company's website and allow you to complete your payment. You will need your account number which is located in the upper right-hand portion of your invoice. A QR code will also be added to invoices which you can use to access the bill payment site from your mobile device.

## **Proposed Rate Increase**

As I am sure you are all aware, inflation has increased the cost of nearly everything and the District is not immune to these increases. In fact, due to supply chain issues and the specialized nature of a lot of the materials used by the District, we have seen some very large cost increases which have a profound affect on the District's ability to maintain operations and pay our bills. In order to continue operating the District, rate increases will be a necessity. The District has completed a rate study and adopted a proposed new rate structure. This new rate structure will include tiered rates so that our largest water users will pay a greater share of water costs proportional to the greater impact that those higher uses place on the water system. Additional information will be posted on our website at [www.qvwd.org](http://www.qvwd.org) and a public hearing has been scheduled for August 26, 2023 to hear from you regarding these changes. You will receive a notice in the mail with more information on this hearing.

## **NEXT BOARD MEETING**

**The next meeting of the Board of Directors of Quail Valley Water District will be held on Saturday, June 24, 2023 at 8:30 AM at the District Office, 24750 Sand Canyon Road.**

Water Rate Schedule	Current Rates <sup>1</sup>	Proposed Rates				
		FY2023/24	FY2024/25	FY 2025/26	FY 2026/27	FY 2027/28
<i>Projected Increase in Rate Revenue per Financial Plan:</i>		30.00%	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%
<b>Fixed Service Charge</b>						
<b>Monthly Service Charge by Meter Size:</b>						
5/8" X 3/4"	\$ 103.36	\$ 134.37	\$ 147.80	\$ 162.59	\$ 178.84	\$ 202.63
3/4"	\$ 103.36	\$ 134.37	\$ 147.80	\$ 162.59	\$ 178.84	\$ 202.63
1"	\$ 139.76	\$ 181.69	\$ 199.86	\$ 219.84	\$ 241.83	\$ 273.99
<b>Commodity Charges for All Water Customers</b>						
<b>Rate Per Unit<sup>2</sup> of Water Consumed</b>		30.00%	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%
<b>Residential Block<sup>3</sup> Rates</b>						
Block 1: 0-12 Units	\$ 6.64	\$ 8.63	\$ 9.50	\$ 10.44	\$ 11.49	\$ 12.64
Block 2: 13-24 Units	\$ 6.64	\$ 10.36	\$ 11.39	\$ 12.53	\$ 13.79	\$ 15.17
Block 3: 25-36 Units	\$ 6.64	\$ 15.54	\$ 17.09	\$ 18.80	\$ 20.68	\$ 22.75
Block 4: All usage above 36	\$ 6.64	\$ 34.53	\$ 37.98	\$ 41.78	\$ 45.96	\$ 50.55
<b>Non-Potable Water Rates</b>						
Uniform Rate (All Water Consumed)	\$ 4.98	\$ 6.47	\$ 7.12	\$ 7.83	\$ 8.62	\$ 9.48

<sup>1</sup> Current rate structure is a uniform rate structure

<sup>2</sup> One unit of water is 100 cubic feet or 748 gallons

<sup>3</sup> It is recommended to replace the current uniform rate structure with an ascending block water rate structure to encourage water conservation.

Residential Bill Comparison-Current vs. New Rates						
Monthly Water Consumption (HCF)	Current Rates	New Rates, Meter Size 5/8" X 3/4" and 3/4"				
		FY2023/24	FY2024/25	FY 2025/26	FY 2026/27	FY 2027/28
2	\$116.64	\$151.63	\$166.80	\$183.47	\$201.82	\$227.91
4	\$129.92	\$168.90	\$185.79	\$204.36	\$224.80	\$253.18
6	\$143.20	\$186.16	\$204.78	\$225.25	\$247.78	\$278.46
8	\$156.48	\$203.42	\$223.77	\$246.14	\$270.76	\$303.73
10	\$169.76	\$220.69	\$242.76	\$267.03	\$293.74	\$329.01
12	\$183.04	\$237.95	\$261.75	\$287.92	\$316.71	\$354.29