



SACRAMENTO COUNTY
WATER AGENCY

January 30, 2009

TO: All Developers, Builders, Consulting Engineers, and Other Interested Parties

SUBJECT: SACRAMENTO COUNTY WATER AGENCY (SCWA) FEE & CREDIT REVISIONS
EFFECTIVE MARCH 1, 2009

Effective March 1, 2009, 12:01 a.m.

Pursuant to SCWA Code, an inflationary adjustment to SCWA Zone 40 fees and credits, Zone 40 Special Service Area A–Recycled Water fees and credits, SCWA Zone 50 fees, and the North Vineyard Well Protection Program fee will increase these fees 6.36%. This will increase the Zone 40 water development fees from \$12,379 to \$13,166 per equivalent dwelling unit (EDU).

Given the current economic conditions, SCWA considered delaying implementation of the inflationary adjustment. However, after careful consideration, it is necessary to raise the fee not only to adjust for the cost of inflation, but also to ensure sufficient revenue to meet covenants associated with the issuance of over \$414 million in bonds and the associated bond debt.

The revisions above are shown in the attached Schedules A, C, R-1, and R-2. A summary of the rate changes and maps of the areas affected are also attached.

Summary of SCWA Zone 40 and Zone 50 Rate Changes

SCWA ZONE 40:

Water Development Fee Rate	Current Rate	Revised Rate
Rate per Equivalent Dwelling Unit (EDU)	\$12,379	\$13,166
Commercial Service Fee per acre	\$7,553	\$8,033
Open Space Service Fee per acre	\$1,464	\$1,557
Park Service Fee per acre	\$3,000	\$3,191
Public School Service Fee per acre	\$5,000	\$5,318

SCWA Zone 40 Special Service Area A – Recycled Water:

See attached Schedules R-1 and R-2 for revised rates. This fee is effective March 1, 2009 and is pursuant to provisions in Ordinance WAO-0054 adopted by the SCWA Board of Directors on June 15, 2004.

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SCWA ZONE 50:

Water Development Fee Rate	Current Rate	Revised Rate
Rate per Equivalent Dwelling Unit (EDU)	\$222	\$236
Commercial Service per acre	\$3,200	\$3,403
Open Space Service Fee per acre	\$3,200	\$3,403

North Vineyard Well Protection Program:	Current Rate	Revised Rate
North Vineyard Well Protection fee. This fee is increased pursuant to provisions set forth in WA-2484, Sections 1(e)(f)(g) and 3(a)(b) adopted by the SCWA Board of Directors on January 7, 2003.	\$444	\$472

For fees on Schedule A that are due prior to approval of an improvement plan, the date of plan approval determines the appropriate rate. For fees on Schedules A and R-1 that are due prior to issuance of a building permit, the date of payment determines the appropriate rate. For credit items on Schedules C and R-2, the date of plan approval determines the appropriate rate.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact Dan Barry at (916) 874-7156.

Sincerely,

Susan R. Purdin, CPA
Chief Financial and Administrative Officer
Sacramento County Department of Water Resources

Attachments (8):

- Schedules A, C, R-1, R-2
- Maps: Zone 40
- Zone 40 Special Service Area A – Recycled Water
- Zone 50
- North Vineyard Well Protection Program Area

cc:

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