### **Clear Creek Community Services District**



# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING WATER RATE INCREASE

This notice is being sent to inform you that Clear Creek Community Services District (District) is proposing a water rate increase over the next five years. The District will hold a public hearing to consider adopting the proposed rates as follows:

Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020

Time: 5:00 PM

Place: Clear Creek Firehouse Hwy 147, Clear Creek, CA 96137

#### Why is the District Proposing to Increase Water Rates?

The District was provided a Water Rate Study through the District Water System Improvement Project (water grant) which helped in determining the current proposal. No reserves exist for future long term maintenance, improvements or emergencies for our system. You can view the Rate Study provided by HF&H Consultants on our website at: www.clearcreekcsd.specialdistrict.org

#### **Multi-Year Approach to Setting Rates**

By taking a multi-year approach to rate-setting in meeting long-term infrastructure repair and improvement needs as well as delivering day-to-day services, the District can better prepare for the future and avoid significant unexpected rate increases. For this reason, the District is proposing rate increase for the next five years. It is important to note that if subsequent annual reviews of revenues and expenses show that future rate increases are not needed or can be adopted at lower amounts, the Board of Directors can postpone or adopt a smaller increase. However, the board cannot approve rate increases beyond those proposed in this notice without an additional Proposition 218 notice to all customers.

#### **Proposed Rates**

The District is proposing to phase in water rate increases over the next five years as shown in the table below. The rate increase for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 will be effective July 1, 2020.

## Clear Creek CSD Proposed Rate Increase

		20-21	21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25
WATER	Current	Fixed	Fixed	5.00%	5.00%	5.00%
Residential	\$36.00	\$39.25	\$42.50	\$44.92	\$47.17	\$49.53
Commercial	\$42.00	\$50.00	\$54.50	\$57.23	\$60.09	\$63.09
Motel	\$1.75	\$2.00	\$2.18	\$2.29	\$2.40	\$2.52
Clear Creek Park	\$87.50	\$100.00	\$109.00	\$114.45	\$120.17	\$126.18

#### **How to Submit a Written Protest**

Property owners and customers may file written protests against the proposed rate increase. Pursuant to California law, all written protests must be received by the District prior to the close of the Public Hearing on Thursday, April 30, 2020. Protests must:

- 1. Identify the affected property or properties, by address or Assessor's Parcel Number.
- 2. Include the name and signature of the customer or property owner submitting the protest, and
- 3. Clearly state opposition to the proposed water rate increases.

The proposed rates cannot be adopted if written protests are received from a majority of affected parcels, with one written protest counted per parcel. Written and signed protests can be mailed to: Clear Creek Community Services District, Water Rate Protest, P.O. Box 833, Westwood, CA 96137. For additional information regarding the proposed water rate increase, call CCCSD at (530) 256-3096