

RESOLUTION NO. 04-2024
LAKE OROVILLE AREA PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
AUTHORIZING A SEWER SERVICE RATE INCREASE
FOLLOWING NOTICE AND HEARING

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of Lake Oroville Area Public Utility District (the “Board”), at the regular meeting of March 12, 2024 reviewed and accepted a Wastewater System Cost of Service Rate Study Report for fiscal years 2024/2025, 2025/2026, 2026/2027, 2027/2028, and 2028/2029 prepared by the Bartle Wells Associates and tentative budgets based thereon; and,

WHEREAS, in accordance with Article XIII D(6) of the California Constitution, the Board of Directors of Lake Oroville Area Public Utility District, provided that notice of the proposed rate increase, including the effective date, the reasons and basis for the increase, and the date and time of a public hearing to receive protests and comments, be given to the record owner of each parcel affected by the proposed increase and such notice was mailed more than 45 days before the date of such hearing; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of Lake Oroville Area Public Utility District, at its regularly scheduled meeting of July 9, 2024, held the public hearing in accordance with California Constitution Article XIII D(6), at which time it received public comment, protests, and further reviewed and discussed the proposed rate increase; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of Lake Oroville Area Public Utility District has determined that written protests by the affected landowners to the proposed increase represent less than 50% of the affected landowners; and,

WHEREAS, the tentative budget, proposed rates and charges, and the Wastewater System Cost of Service Rate Study Report have been available for public review for a period substantially in excess of 14 days; and,

WHEREAS, the Board finds that, based on the tentative budget and Wastewater System Cost of Service Rate Study Report, the proposed rates and charges are necessary in order to properly operate, maintain, repair, replace, and upgrade the wastewater collection system of the District, including maintenance of reasonable reserves for contingencies and depreciation; and,

WHEREAS, the Board has considered the tentative budget, the Wastewater System Cost of Service Rate Study Report, the testimony, protests, and other evidence presented at the public hearing of July 9, 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of Lake Oroville Area Public Utility District that the proposed increases in rates be adopted as follows:
Commencing July 1, 2024, the Primary System Service Charge will increase \$2.26 per EDU per month;
Commencing July 1, 2024, the Step System Service Charge will increase \$2.50 per EDU per month;
Commencing July 1, 2024, the Primary System with Pumping Charge will increase \$2.48 per EDU per month;
Commencing July 1, 2024, the KRE with Pumping Charge will increase \$2.48 per EDU per month;
Commencing July 1, 2024, and on July 1 of each subsequent year, through July 1, 2028, the Primary and Step System Charges will each increase as per Exhibit A (Attached) per month.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, based on the foregoing rate, the following schedule of District rates and charges shall be in effect as of July 1, 2024 for the 2024/25 fiscal year:

Service Charge (Primary System)	\$24.93/EDU/mo.
RDA Debt Service (Primary System)	\$4.90/EDU/mo.
Pumping Charge (Primary System)	\$5.85/EDU/mo.
KRE Pumping Charge (Primary System)	\$3.37/EDU/mo.
Service Charge (Step System)	\$30.02/EDU/mo.
RDA Debt Service (Step System)	\$4.90/EDU/mo.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, unless modified by further order of the Board, the schedule of District rates will be adjusted on July 1 of each succeeding year, through July 1, 2028, consistent with the increases approved above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the change in rates set forth above are required to meet the expenses of the District in operating and maintaining its sewer system and said increase in rates is therefore exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with Public Resources Code 21080(b)(8).

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a Regular Meeting this 9th day of July 2024, at Oroville, California, after being moved by Director Marciniak and seconded by Director Salvucci by the following vote:

AYES: Directors Fairbanks, Mastelotto, Salvucci, Sharman and Marciniak

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

LAKE OROVILLE AREA PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

By 
Robert Marciniak, President

ATTEST:


Kelly Hamblin, Clerk of the Board