



# SPECIAL NOTICE

## APRIL 2025

## Your Water, Our Mission

Eastern Municipal Water District (EMWD) has provided safe and trusted water services to our community for 75 years. As we celebrate this milestone, we're focused on our mission – and our responsibility to carry it out in the next 75 years.

### MISSION

To deliver value to our diverse customers and the communities we serve by providing safe, reliable, economical and environmentally sustainable water, wastewater and recycled water services.

Our mission is our promise to customers. To deliver on that promise, EMWD continuously improves its infrastructure. Maintaining more than 2,600 miles of water pipes, 9 treatment plants (water and wastewater), and 86 storage tanks requires ongoing investment.

In 2023, an independent firm completed a Cost-of-Service Study to ensure EMWD water and sewer rates accurately reflect the costs of providing these essential services. EMWD has updated the evaluation of costs and benefits related to these systems and is proposing water and sewer

rate adjustments for 2026 and 2027 which reflect those costs and benefits, while still following the approved 2023 Study rate allocations and design methodology.

EMWD actively pursues grants and has secured millions of dollars in funding. EMWD invests in projects to reduce costs like using sophisticated AI models to review pipeline data and the San Jacinto Valley Groundwater Treatment Plan to maximize less costly local water supplies.

Because we know our services are vital, programs like Help2Others are available to support customers in need. [emwd.org/h2o](http://emwd.org/h2o) →



Affordability is central to both our mission and operations. By keeping healthy reserve funds (like a savings account) and making savvy financial choices, we manage rising costs to keep rates as low as possible for our customers today and tomorrow.

We thank our customers and the community for their trust and support over the past 75 years. We look forward to serving you for decades to come.

### YOU'RE INVITED TO ATTEND OUR AGRICULTURAL RATES PUBLIC HEARING

Date/Time: June 4, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.  
Location: Eastern Municipal Water  
District Board Room  
2270 Trumble Road,  
Perris, CA 92570

The Board of Directors of Eastern Municipal Water District (EMWD) will conduct a public hearing to consider changes to the water and sewer rate structures and rates set forth herein. Any customers or property owners may appear at the hearing to make comments regarding the proposed changes. To file an opposition, property owners and tenants of real property who are directly liable to pay water and/or sewer bills may submit a written protest against the proposed water rate increases, the proposed sewer rate increases, or both. Written protests may be mailed to: Eastern Municipal Water District Attention: 2026-2027 Proposed Rates, PO Box 8300, Perris, CA 92572-8300 or delivered in-person to: Eastern Municipal Water District 2270 Trumble Rd, Perris, CA 92570. Protests may also be submitted at the public comment portion of the public hearing. Protests must include: your name, parcel number and/or service address, your signature, and a statement specifying whether you are protesting the water rate increase, the sewer rate increase, or both. All written objections must be submitted before the public comment portion of the public hearing as stated above and a failure to timely object in writing bars any right to challenge that fee or assessment through a legal proceeding. Challenges to Board-adopted rates are subject to a 120-day statute of limitations.

More information about the proposed changes is available in this document and online at [www.emwd.org/ProposedRates](http://www.emwd.org/ProposedRates).

*Aviso de audiencia pública para considerar las tarifas de agua y alcantarilla basado en el costo de servicio.*

# Proposed Water Service Rates

Over the past 75 years, EMWD has delivered reliable water service to families and businesses in our community. With the expertise of our team, EMWD continuously treats, tests, and delivers safe, reliable water.

Your water service is billed through water consumption rates, daily service charges, and a water supply reliability capital projects charge. Due to rising operational costs, particularly from increasing expenses related to imported water purchases, and essential maintenance projects, EMWD is proposing various increases reflective in the tables on this page.

Rate Code	Daily Service Charge			Commodity Rate per Acre-Foot		
	Current (1" or smaller meter)	Proposed as of 1/1/2026	Proposed as of 1/1/2027	Current	Proposed as of 1/1/2026	Proposed as of 1/1/2027
<b>Demand Agriculture Retail</b>						
C101	\$0.592	<b>\$0.639</b>	<b>\$0.691</b>	\$1,672.70	<b>\$1,807.74</b>	<b>\$1,951.49</b>
C201	\$0.592	<b>\$0.639</b>	<b>\$0.691</b>	\$1,672.70	<b>\$1,807.74</b>	<b>\$1,951.49</b>
C202	\$0.592	<b>\$0.639</b>	<b>\$0.691</b>	\$1,288.92	<b>\$1,420.06</b>	<b>\$1,563.80</b>
C203 <sup>1</sup>	\$0.592	<b>\$0.639</b>	<b>\$0.691</b>	\$1,013.72	<b>\$1,097.71</b>	<b>\$1,184.83</b>
C204 <sup>2</sup>	\$0.592	<b>\$0.639</b>	<b>\$0.691</b>	\$1,355.50	<b>\$1,463.62</b>	<b>\$1,581.23</b>
C205 <sup>3</sup>	\$0.592	<b>\$0.639</b>	<b>\$0.691</b>	\$1,202.56	<b>\$1,298.09</b>	<b>\$1,402.63</b>
C301	\$0.592	<b>\$0.639</b>	<b>\$0.691</b>	\$1,672.70	<b>\$1,807.74</b>	<b>\$1,951.49</b>
C401 <sup>4</sup>	\$0.592	<b>\$0.639</b>	<b>\$0.691</b>	\$1,672.70	<b>\$1,807.74</b>	<b>\$1,951.49</b>
C402	\$0.592	<b>\$0.639</b>	<b>\$0.691</b>	\$1,288.92	<b>\$1,420.06</b>	<b>\$1,563.80</b>
C403 <sup>4</sup>	\$0.592	<b>\$0.639</b>	<b>\$0.691</b>	\$1,672.70	<b>\$1,807.74</b>	<b>\$1,951.49</b>
<i><sup>1</sup>Untreated for Dairies. <sup>2</sup>Untreated for Excess Rate, Dairies. <sup>3</sup>Untreated Non-Dairies. <sup>4</sup>At Domestic Rate</i>						

Water Supply Reliability Capital Projects Daily Charge based on Meter Size	Current	Proposed	
		Effective 1/1/2026	Effective 1/1/2027
5/8 inch	\$0.214	<b>\$0.231</b>	<b>\$0.250</b>
3/4 inch	\$0.214	<b>\$0.231</b>	<b>\$0.250</b>
1 inch	\$0.328	<b>\$0.354</b>	<b>\$0.382</b>

<b>Scheduled Agriculture Retail</b>						
D101	\$0.592	<b>\$0.639</b>	<b>\$0.691</b>	\$1,672.70	<b>\$1,807.74</b>	<b>\$1,951.49</b>
D102	\$0.592	<b>\$0.639</b>	<b>\$0.691</b>	\$1,672.70	<b>\$1,807.74</b>	<b>\$1,951.49</b>
D201	\$0.592	<b>\$0.639</b>	<b>\$0.691</b>	\$1,672.70	<b>\$1,807.74</b>	<b>\$1,951.49</b>
D206	\$0.592	<b>\$0.639</b>	<b>\$0.691</b>	\$1,042.77	<b>\$1,145.63</b>	<b>\$1,258.88</b>
<b>Agriculture/Irrigation Wholesale</b>						
F205 <sup>1</sup>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$1,164.54	<b>\$1,254.53</b>	<b>\$1,354.72</b>
F207	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$486.75	<b>\$527.08</b>	<b>\$570.64</b>
F208	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$77.99	<b>\$82.76</b>	<b>\$91.48</b>
<i><sup>1</sup>Ag/Irrig Wholesale - Lake Hemet Municipal Water District (LHMWD)-EM14</i>						

# What Happens If There's Another Drought?

EMWD adopted a plan to control the delivery and use of water during shortages. The higher stages below encourage customers to reduce water use by temporarily cutting customer water budgets in varying stages, depending on the severity of the shortage. EMWD's Board of Directors can start or stop water shortage measures by a decision at a public meeting. California's water supplies are normal this year but Colorado River supplies, which EMWD also relies on, are still at risk. EMWD continuously monitors water supply conditions. We thank our customers for doing their part during shortages and always.

## Stage 1: Supply Watch

Voluntary reduction of water use of up to 10 percent.

## Stage 2: Supply Alert

Voluntary reduction of water use of up to 25 percent.

## Stage 3: Mandatory Waste Reduction

Enforced through changes to the water budget-based tiered rates as follows:

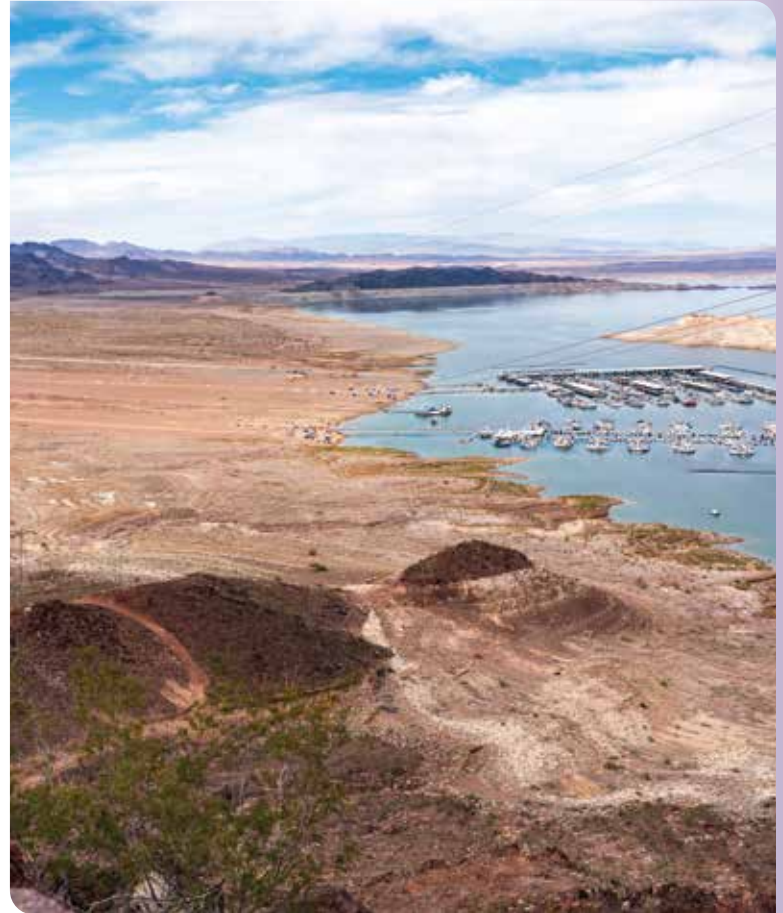
**Stage 3a:** Tier 2 budgets decrease by up to 50%;

**Stage 3b:** Tier 3 (Excessive use) budgets reduced by 50 percent;

**Stage 3c:** Tier 2 budgets decreased by up to 100%

## Stages 4 and 5: Mandatory Outdoor and Indoor Reductions

Reduces customers' water budgets by varying amounts, depending on the severity of the shortage. Under normal conditions, customers who stay within budget are charged at the lowest rates in tiers 1 and 2. In stages 4 and 5, budgets are reduced, which would cause a customer going over budget to be charged at a Tier 4 rate.



# Proposed Sewer Service Rates

EMWD collects and treats an average of 49 million gallons of wastewater (sewer) every day at four regional water reclamation facilities. Sewer service areas were originally defined by geographic area surrounding the plant serving that area, and rates were set based on the costs to serve that area. Today, all of EMWD's facilities are interconnected, which allows flows to be shifted as necessary for optimal efficiency and reliability.

As a result, EMWD is continuing to transition to a uniform, blended sewer rate, and plans to have all areas using the same rates by 2030.

Sewer rates are calculated using a baseline Daily Service Charge. The rates shown here address the increased cost of treatment and operations as well as investments in necessary maintenance projects. The total proposed increases range from 2 to 7 percent effective January 1, 2026, and another 2 to 7 percent effective January 1, 2027.

Area Served (Full Service)	Current Daily Service Charge (DSC) per Equivalent Dwelling Unit (EDU)*	Proposed DSC per EDU as of 1/1/2026	Proposed DSC per EDU as of 1/1/2027
Includes areas in and around Hemet, San Jacinto, and Winchester	\$1.143	<b>\$1.22</b>	<b>\$1.30</b>
Includes areas in and around Moreno Valley	\$1.161	<b>\$1.24</b>	<b>\$1.32</b>
Includes areas in and around the City of Menifee (Sun City)	\$1.184	<b>\$1.26</b>	<b>\$1.34</b>
Includes areas in and around Temecula, Murrieta, and French Valley	\$1.252	<b>\$1.31</b>	<b>\$1.36</b>
Includes areas in and around Perris, Romoland, Homeland, and northern portions of Menifee	\$1.391	<b>\$1.42</b>	<b>\$1.44</b>
Canyon Lake*	\$2.067	\$2.28	\$2.47

Sewer System Capital Projects Daily Charge per Equivalent Dwelling Unit*	Current	Proposed Effective 1/1/26	Proposed Effective 1/1/27
	\$0.149	<b>\$0.156</b>	<b>\$0.164</b>
Average Monthly Charge	\$4.53	<b>\$4.75</b>	<b>\$4.99</b>

\*EMWD bills customers in this area for sewer service rendered through Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District (EVMWD), at the rate established by EVMWD, and is subject to further adjustments by EVMWD.

\*An Equivalent Dwelling Unit (EDU) is intended to represent the typical flow from an average single-family home. It is used for billing and capacity planning, with non-residential properties assigned EDUs based on their water consumption.