

**NOTICE OF ADVICE LETTER FILING
SAN JOSE WATER COMPANY'S FILING TO INCREASE WATER RATES
ADVICE LETTER 561**

Effective July 1, 2021, Valley Water, the wholesale water supply agency to San Jose Water Company (SJWC), will increase rates for purchased water and groundwater extraction fees charged to SJWC. If the CPUC approves this advice letter, effective July 1, 2021, rates will be recalculated to reflect actual water consumption in 2021. This will impact your bill.

Why is SJWC requesting this increase?

SJWC pays fees to pump groundwater and to purchase treated water from Valley Water, Santa Clara County's wholesale water supply agency. On May 11, 2021, Valley Water voted to increase wholesale water charges by 9.1% effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. SJWC purchases over 90% of its water supply from Valley Water and delivers it to homes and businesses. The cost of this water supply is passed through to customers at cost. SJWC is filing Advice Letter 561 to recover the pass-through increase.

How could this affect my water bill?

If SJWC's rate request is approved by the CPUC, the monthly bill for the typical residential customer with a 3/4-inch meter using 11 Ccf per month would increase by approximately \$4.17 (or 4.38%) from \$95.30 at present rates, to \$99.47 starting July 1, 2021. This amount will be reflected on customers' bills through the quantity charges as shown below. A comparison of the current and the proposed quantity rates is as follows:

Tariff Schedules No. 1. General Metered Service, Schedule No. 1B General Metered Service With Fire Sprinkler System and Schedule No. 1C General Metered Service, Mountain District

	Current Quantity Rate	Proposed Quantity Rate
Residential Customers		
Tier 1: For Monthly Usage from 0-3 Ccf	\$3.3770	\$3.7563
Tier 2: For Monthly Usage from 4-18 Ccf	\$5.0660	\$5.4453
Tier 3: For Monthly Usage over 18 Ccf	\$6.7545	\$7.1338
All Other Customers		
Quantity Rate	\$5.0660	\$5.4453

Tariff Schedules No. RW Raw Water Service

Current Quantity Rate per Ccf	Proposed Quantity Rate per Ccf
\$4.8364	\$5.2157

Tariff Schedules No. RCW Recycled Water Service

Current Quantity Rate per Ccf	Proposed Quantity Rate per Ccf
\$4.5954	\$4.3363

How does the rest of this process work?

This Advice Letter will be reviewed by staff in the Water Division of the CPUC. They will determine if the request is reasonable and determine if modifications are necessary.

Protests and Responses to Advice Letter #561

Please include "Advice Letter #561" in any response or protest you submit.

The reasons for the protest can be one of the following:

- 1) The utility did not properly serve or give notice of the advice letter;
- 2) The relief requested in the advice letter would violate statute or CPUC order, or is not authorized by statute or CPUC order on which the utility relies;
- 3) The analysis, calculations, or data in the advice letter contain material error or omissions;
- 4) The relief requested in the advice letter is pending before the CPUC in a formal proceeding;
- 5) The relief requested in the advice letter requires consideration in a formal hearing, or is otherwise inappropriate for the advice letter process; or
- 6) The relief requested in the advice letter is unjust, unreasonable, or discriminatory (provided that such a protest may not be made where it would require re-litigating a prior order of the CPUC).

If you would like to submit a protest or response about this advice letter, please write to:

California Public Utilities Commission
Water Division, 3rd Floor
505 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94102
Email: Water.Division@cpuc.ca.gov

On the same date the response or protest is submitted to the Water Division, the respondent or protestant shall send a copy by mail (or e-mail) to SJWC at the following address:

San Jose Water Company
Attn: Regulatory Affairs
110 W. Taylor Street
San Jose, CA 95110
regulatoryaffairs@sjwater.com

Where can I get more information?

Customers with internet access may view and download SJWC's advice letter on its website by visiting www.sjwater.com. If you have technical issues accessing the documents through the website, please e-mail regulatoryaffairs@sjwater.com for assistance and reference Advice Letter #561 in your e-mail.

To request a hard copy of SJWC's Advice Letter, or to obtain more information about the Advice Letter from SJWC, please write to:

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