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Appendix E

Resolution No 1150

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CARPINTERIA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT ADOPTING RATES AND CHARGES FOR WATER SERVICE

- **WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors ("Board") of the Carpinteria Valley Water District ("District") considered its estimated necessary costs for providing water service to its customers and the revenue sources available to cover those costs at a noticed public hearing on September 13, 2023; and
- **WHEREAS,** data was made available to the public by the District and presented at that public hearing indicating the estimated necessary costs for providing water service and the available revenue sources; and
- **WHEREAS**, the District provided written notice as required by law of that public hearing including notice of the projected changes and increases in District rates and charges and the availability of data supporting such increase; and
- **WHEREAS,** the Board thoroughly considered the testimony and evidence received from its staff and the public in both oral and written form; and
- **WHEREAS**, after due deliberation and consideration of all of the record before it, the Board found it necessary and in the best interest of the District and its customers to change and increase certain rates and charges for water service; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Board found and determined that the rates and charges for water service as set forth by this Resolution do not exceed the estimated necessary cost of providing service for which the rates and charges are being made; and
- **WHEREAS**, the District is proposing rates for fiscal years 2024, 2025, and 2026 through a Proposition 218 process based on the District's 10-year financial plan; and
- **WHEREAS,** if rates, in any of the three years are adjusted to be less than those adopted by this resolution the Board will adopt said reduced rates by resolution; and
- **WHEREAS,** if rates, in any of the three years are adjusted to be more than those adopted by this resolution, the Board will develop those rates through a new prop 218 process.
- **NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED AND ORDERED** by the Board of Directors of the Carpinteria Valley Water District as follows:

Fiscal 2024 adopted rates and charges

Rates shall be adjusted as described below however implementation of these changes shall not be implemented until October 6, 2023 or if the Board determines at a time beyond this date.

Rates and Charges for Water Service: Monthly Service Charges, Dwelling Unit Equivalency Charges and Residential Equivalency Charges, and Metered Water Rates are hereby established and will become effective at the implementation date identified above:

a. <u>Water rates.</u> With the exception of the conditions outlined below, the District shall impose water rates for each unit of water used by a customer in accordance with the schedule set forth in Table 1 and with the procedures set out in the following subsections of this section.

TABLE 1

Water Rates (unit cost)						
1 unit = 100 cubic feet (HCF) or 748 gallons	Base	Pressure Zone I	Pressure Zone II			
	\$/HCF	\$/HCF	\$/HCF			
Single Family, Multi-family, Master Meter Residential, & Landscape						
Tier 1	\$4.48	\$4.81	\$5.14			
Tier 2	\$4.66	\$4.99	\$5.32			
Tier 3	\$5.50	\$5.83	\$6.16			
Commercial, Industrial, Public Authority,						
Hospitality						
Base	\$4.50	\$4.83	\$5.16			
Peak	\$5.44	\$5.77	\$6.10			
Agricultural						
Uniform	\$2.13	\$2.46	\$2.79			
Residential Equivalency Fee	\$22.50					
Temporary						
Uniform	\$4.73	\$5.06	\$5.39			
Fire						
Uniform	\$4.50					

¹ Pressure Zone I = Connections served by Gobernador Reservoir

(1) For **Residential**, **Multi-Family**, and **Landscape** accounts the Tier 1 limit is 6 HCF based on efficient indoor use for a three-person household. The Tier 2 limit is 10 HCF based on average summer use (Jun. to Sep.). Tier 3 pricing applies to all consumption in excess of Tier 2 use.

² Pressure Zone II = Connections served by Shepard Mesa Tank

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For example, charges for an account that uses 36 HCF in one month would be:

Tier 1:	6	HCF	Χ	\$4.48	=	\$26.88
Tier 2:	10	HCF	Х	\$4.66	=	\$46.60
Tier 3:	20	HCF	Х	\$5.50	=	\$110.00
TOTAL	36	HCF			=	\$183.48

(2) For all Master Meter accounts the tier limit is multiplied by the number of dwelling units served by the account. This is done to equitably distribute the costs of water for all customers.

For example, if a master meter account has 4 dwelling units the maximum consumption in tier 1 would be 24 HCF and the maximum consumption in tier 2 would be 40 HCF. Therefore, charges for a master-meter account with 4 dwelling units that uses 60 HCF would be:

	Maximum	Actual					
	use	use					
Tier 1:	24	24	HCF	Χ	\$4.48	=	\$107.52
Tier 2:	40	36	HCF	Χ	\$4.66	=	\$167.76
Tier 3:		0	HCF	Х	\$5.50	=	\$0.00
TOTAL		60	HCF			=	\$275.28

- (3) For all Commercial, Hospitality, and Industrial accounts, water charges shall be determined by establishing a Base tier using the customer's December-March 5-year average water consumption. This consumption amount will establish the Base Tier amount charged at the rate specified in Table 1. All water consumed in excess of the Base tier shall be charged at the Peak tier rate. Accounts lacking sufficient water use history to establish Base Tier volumes shall receive the average of all qualifying accounts.
- (4) For example, a commercial account with a 5-year December to March average water consumption of 50 HCF uses 110 HCF in July. The total water charge for this account for July water use would be as follows.

Base	50	HCF	Х	\$4.50	=	\$225.00
Peak	60	HCF	Х	\$5.44	=	\$326.40
TOTAL	110	HCF			=	\$551.40

- (5) Public Authority accounts for irrigation of City parks and school fields receive the Agricultural uniform water rater. Other Public Authority accounts receive the base-peak rate.
- (6) For all **Agricultural** accounts, water charges shall adhere to the uniform rate in Table 1.
- (7) For all Fire accounts, water charges shall adhere to the uniform rate in Table 1. Misuse of private fire services (e.g., use for direct potable consumption) shall result in charges for water, service fees and / or discontinuance of service.
- (8) For all **Temporary** accounts, water charges shall adhere to the uniform rate in Table 1.
- (9) Residential Equivalency Charge (REQ). The District shall impose a REQ Charge on "Agriculture" accounts for each residential dwelling unit served by District water through the Agriculture account. See Table 1 for the REQ charge.
- (10) Monthly Capital Improvement Program Service Charge ("CIP Charge"). The CIP Charge shall be based on the 5-year average monthly water consumption for each individual account. This volume shall be multiplied by the CIP rate in accordance with the schedule set forth in Table 3 and the procedures set out in the following subsections.

Each individual account must have a minimum of eight months of water use history for the CIP charge. Accounts with fewer than eight months of history will receive a default consumption value, instead of the individualized 5-year average, as described below.

TABLE 2

Monthly Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Charge (non-Agricultural)					
Rate	\$5.58	per HCF			
Minimum	\$22.32	4 HCF per dwelling unit			
Maximum	\$1,395.00	250 HCF per dwelling unit			

(i) The CIP Charge for all **Single Family Residential and Landscape** accounts shall be based on the 5-year average monthly water

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consumption for each individual account. Accounts with fewer than eight months of consumption history will receive a default value of 12 HCF.

This volume shall be multiplied by an annually determined CIP rate. A minimum CIP charge based on 4 HCF per month and a maximum charge based upon 250 HCF per month shall be applied.

For example, if an account has a 5-year monthly average water consumption of 3 HCF, the CIP charge would be based on the minimum of 4 HCF.

 $4 \text{ HCF} \times \$5.58 = \22.32

(i) The CIP Charge for all Multi-Family accounts shall be based on the 5-year average monthly water consumption for each individual account. Accounts with fewer than eight months of consumption history will receive a default value of 6 HCF.

This volume shall be multiplied by an annually determined CIP rate. A minimum CIP charge based on 4 HCF per month and a maximum charge based upon 250 HCF per month shall be applied.

For example, if an account has a 5-year monthly average water consumption of 3 HCF, the CIP charge would be based on the minimum of 4 HCF.

 $4 \text{ HCF} \times \$5.58 = \22.32

(i) The CIP Charge for all Commercial, Industrial, and Public Authority, and Temporary accounts shall be based on the 5-year average monthly water consumption for each individual account. Accounts with fewer than eight months of consumption history will receive the average of all accounts within the Commercial, Industrial, and Public Authority customer classes.

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This volume shall be multiplied by an annually determined CIP rate. A minimum CIP charge based on 4 HCF per month and a maximum charge based upon 250 HCF per month shall be applied.

For example, if an account has a 5-year monthly average water consumption of 3 HCF, the CIP charge would be based on the minimum of 4 HCF.

4 HCF
$$x$$
 \$5.58 = \$22.32

(ii) Master Meter and Hospitality accounts are subject to a minimum CIP charge of 4 HCF per dwelling unit or hotel/ motel room. Accounts with fewer than eight months of consumption history will receive a default value of 12 HCF.

For example, if an account with 5 dwelling units has a 5-year monthly average water consumption of 15 HCF, the per-unit average would be 3 HCF which is below the minimum. The minimum for 5 dwelling units is 20 HCF.

Minimum use

$$20$$
 HCF x \$5.58 = \$111.60

- (iii) **Agriculture** and **Fire** accounts shall not be subject to a CIP Charge.
- b. <u>Service charges.</u> The District shall impose Monthly Service Charges in accordance with the schedule set forth in the following subsections regardless of the amount of water used by a customer during any given month or fraction thereof.
 - (1) Monthly Basic and State Water Project (SW) Service. The schedule set forth in Table 2 defines the monthly Basic and State Water Project charges.

TABLE 3

Monthly Basic and State Water Project Charges								
Meter Size	Basic	SWP	Total					
3/4"	\$9.58	\$33.82	\$43.40					
1"	\$12.88	\$56.37	\$69.25					
1 1/2"	\$21.14	\$112.73	\$133.87					
2"	\$31.05	\$180.36	\$211.41					
3"	\$62.44	\$394.53	\$456.97					
4"	\$108.70	\$710.14	\$818.84					
6"	\$219.40	\$1,465.37	1,684.77					
Multi-family residential	\$9.58	\$15.76	\$25.34					
Master meter residential	By Meter Size	\$15.76						
Hospitality	By Meter Size	\$8.59						

- (i) The Basic and State Water Project charges for Single Family Residential, Commercial, Industrial, Public Authority, Temporary, Landscape, and Agriculture accounts adhere to the rates shown in Table 2.
- (ii) **Multi-Family** and **Master Meter** accounts pay a SWP charge that is equivalent to roughly half (48%) of the SWP charge for a ¾" meter. The Basic charge for Multi-Family accounts is equal to the charge for a ¾" meter. The Basic charge for Master Meter account varies by meter size.
- (iii) **Hospitality** accounts pay a SWP charge per room that is equivalent to roughly a quarter (25%) of the SWP charge for a ³/₄" meter. The Basic charge for Hospitality accounts varies by meter size.

For example, a Hospitality account with 40 rooms that has a 1 ½" water meter is charged the SWP Hospitality rate for each room.

40 Rooms x \$8.59 = \$343.60

(2) The Agricultural Operation and Maintenance (Ag O&M) charge. The District shall impose a monthly service charge for Agricultural accounts in accordance with the schedule in Table 4. This charge funds operations and maintenance costs that are collected by other customer classes through the Capital Improvement Program charge.

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TABLE 4

Meter Size	Monthly O&M Charge
3/4"	\$42.32
1"	\$70.53
1 1/2"	\$141.05
2"	\$225.68
3"	\$493.66
4"	\$888.58
6"	\$1,833.58

(3) Monthly Service Charges for Fire Accounts. The District shall impose a monthly service charge for fire accounts in accordance with the schedule in Table 5.

TABLE 5

Monthly Fire Service Charges				
Fireline Size	Charge			
2"	\$12.15			
3"	\$26.48			
4"	\$51.21			
6"	\$139.97			
8"	\$293.05			
10"	\$523.32			

Fiscal 2025 proposed rates and charges

The following rates shall be adjusted as described below however implementation of these changes shall not be implemented until July 1, 2024 or if the Board determines at a time beyond this date.

Rates and Charges for Water Service: Monthly Service Charges, Dwelling Unit Equivalency Charges and Residential Equivalency Charges, and Metered Water Rates are hereby established and will become effective at the implementation date identified above:

c. <u>Water rates.</u> With the exception of the conditions outlined below, the District shall impose water rates for each unit of water used by a customer in accordance with the schedule set forth in Table 1 and with the procedures set out in the following subsections of this section.

TABLE 1

Water Rates (unit cost)							
1 unit = 100 cubic feet (HCF) or 748 gallons	Base	Pressure Zone I	Pressure Zone II				
	\$/HCF	\$/HCF	\$/HCF				
Single Family, Multi-family, Master Meter Residential, & Landscape							
Tier 1	\$4.82	\$5.18	\$5.53				
Tier 2	\$5.01	\$5.37	\$5.72				
Tier 3	\$5.92	\$6.28	\$6.63				
Commercial, Industrial, Public Authority, Hospitality							
Base	\$4.84	\$5.20	\$5.55				
Peak	\$5.85	\$6.21	\$6.56				
Agricultural							
Uniform	\$2.29	\$2.65	\$3.00				
Residential Equivalency Fee	\$24.19						
Temporary							
Uniform	\$5.09	\$5.45	\$5.80				
Fire							
Uniform	\$4.84						

¹ Pressure Zone I = Connections served by Gobernador Reservoir

(4) For **Residential**, **Multi-Family**, and **Landscape** accounts the Tier 1 limit is 6 HCF based on efficient indoor use for a three-person household. The Tier 2

² Pressure Zone II = Connections served by Shepard Mesa Tank

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limit is 10 HCF based on average summer use (Jun. to Sep.). Tier 3 pricing applies to all consumption in excess of Tier 2 use.

For example, charges for an account that uses 36 HCF in one month would be:

Tier 1:	6	HCF	Χ	\$4.82	=	\$28.92
Tier 2:	10	HCF	Х	\$5.01	=	\$50.10
Tier 3:	20	HCF	Х	\$5.92	=	\$118.40
TOTAL	36	HCF			=	\$197.42

(5) For all Master Meter accounts the tier limit is multiplied by the number of dwelling units served by the account. This is done to equitably distribute the costs of water for all customers.

For example, if a master meter account has 4 dwelling units the maximum consumption in tier 1 would be 24 HCF and the maximum consumption in tier 2 would be 40 HCF. Therefore, charges for a master-meter account with 4 dwelling units that uses 60 HCF would be:

	Maximum use	Actual use					
Tier 1:	24	24	HCF	Х	\$4.82	=	\$115.68
Tier 2:	40	36	HCF	Χ	\$5.01	=	\$180.36
Tier 3:		0	HCF	Χ	\$5.92	=	\$0.00
TOTAL		60	HCF			=	\$296.04

(6) For all Commercial, Hospitality, and Industrial accounts, water charges shall be determined by establishing a Base tier using the customer's December-March 5-year average water consumption. This consumption amount will establish the Base Tier amount charged at the rate specified in Table 1. All water consumed in excess of the Base tier shall be charged at the Peak tier rate. Accounts lacking sufficient water use history to establish Base Tier volumes shall receive the average of all qualifying accounts.

For example, a commercial account with a 5-year December to March average water consumption of 50 HCF uses 110 HCF in July. The total water charge for this account for July water use would be as follows.

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Base	50	HCF	Х	\$4.84	=	\$242.00
Peak	60	HCF	Х	\$5.85	=	\$351.00
TOTAL	110	HCF			=	\$593.00

- (7) **Public Authority** accounts for irrigation of City parks and school fields receive the Agricultural uniform water rater. Other Public Authority accounts receive the base-peak rate.
- (8) For all **Agricultural** accounts, water charges shall adhere to the uniform rate in Table 1.
- (9) For all Fire accounts, water charges shall adhere to the uniform rate in Table 1. Misuse of private fire services (e.g., use for direct potable consumption) shall result in charges for water, service fees and / or discontinuance of service.
- (10) For all **Temporary** accounts, water charges shall adhere to the uniform rate in Table 1.
- (11) Residential Equivalency Charge (REQ). The District shall impose a REQ Charge on "Agriculture" accounts for each residential dwelling unit served by District water through the Agriculture account. See Table 1 for the REQ charge.
- (12) Monthly Capital Improvement Program Service Charge ("CIP Charge"). The CIP Charge shall be based on the 5-year average monthly water consumption for each individual account. This volume shall be multiplied by the CIP rate in accordance with the schedule set forth in Table 3 and the procedures set out in the following subsections.

Each individual account must have a minimum of eight months of water use history for the CIP charge. Accounts with fewer than eight months of history will receive a default consumption value, instead of the individualized 5-year average, as described below.

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TABLE 2

Monthly Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Charge (non-Agricultural)			
Rate	\$6.00	per HCF	
Minimum	\$24.00	4 HCF per dwelling unit	
Maximum	\$1,500.00	250 HCF per dwelling unit	

(iv) The CIP Charge for all Single Family Residential and Landscape accounts shall be based on the 5-year average monthly water consumption for each individual account. Accounts with fewer than eight months of consumption history will receive a default value of 12 HCF.

This volume shall be multiplied by an annually determined CIP rate. A minimum CIP charge based on 4 HCF per month and a maximum charge based upon 250 HCF per month shall be applied.

For example, if an account has a 5-year monthly average water consumption of 3 HCF, the CIP charge would be based on the minimum of 4 HCF.

4 HCF
$$\times$$
 \$6.00 = \$24.00

(v) The CIP Charge for all Multi-Family accounts shall be based on the 5-year average monthly water consumption for each individual account. Accounts with fewer than eight months of consumption history will receive a default value of 6 HCF.

This volume shall be multiplied by an annually determined CIP rate. A minimum CIP charge based on 4 HCF per month and a maximum charge based upon 250 HCF per month shall be applied.

For example, if an account has a 5-year monthly average water consumption of 3 HCF, the CIP charge would be based on the minimum of 4 HCF.

$$4 \text{ HCF} \times \$6.00 = \$24.00$$

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(vi) The CIP Charge for all Commercial, Industrial, Public Authority, and Temporary accounts shall be based on the 5-year average monthly water consumption for each individual account. Accounts with fewer than eight months of consumption history will receive the average of all accounts within the Commercial, Industrial, and Public Authority customer classes.

This volume shall be multiplied by an annually determined CIP rate. A minimum CIP charge based on 4 HCF per month and a maximum charge based upon 250 HCF per month shall be applied.

For example, if an account has a 5-year monthly average water consumption of 3 HCF, the CIP charge would be based on the minimum of 4 HCF.

$$4 \text{ HCF} \times \$6.00 = \$24.00$$

(vii) Master Meter and Hospitality accounts are subject to a minimum CIP charge of 4 HCF per dwelling unit or hotel/ motel room. Accounts with fewer than eight months of consumption history will receive a default value of 12 HCF.

For example, if an account with 5 dwelling units has a 5-year monthly average water consumption of 15 HCF, the per-unit average would be 3 HCF which is below the minimum. The minimum for 5 dwelling units is 20 HCF.

Minimum use

$$20$$
 HCF x $$6.00 = 120.00

- (viii) **Agriculture** and **Fire** accounts shall not be subject to a CIP Charge.
- d. <u>Service charges.</u> The District shall impose Monthly Service Charges in accordance with the schedule set forth in the following subsections regardless of the amount of water used by a customer during any given month or fraction thereof.

(13) <u>Monthly Basic and State Water Project (SW) Service</u>. The schedule set forth in Table 2 defines the monthly Basic and State Water Project charges.

TABLE 3

Monthly Basic and State Water Project Charges						
Meter Size	Basic	SWP	Total			
3/4"	\$10.30	\$36.36	\$46.66			
1"	\$13.85	\$60.60	\$74.45			
1 1/2"	\$22.73	\$121.19	\$143.92			
2"	\$33.38	\$193.89	\$227.27			
3"	\$67.13	\$424.12	\$491.25			
4"	\$116.86	\$763.41	\$880.27			
6"	\$235.86	\$1,575.28	1,811.14			
Multi-family residential	\$10.30	\$16.95	\$27.25			
Master meter residential	By Meter Size	\$16.95				
Hospitality	By Meter Size	\$9.24				

- (ix) The Basic and State Water Project charges for Single Family Residential, Commercial, Industrial, Public Authority, Temporary, Landscape, and Agriculture accounts adhere to the rates shown in Table 2.
- (x) **Multi-Family** and **Master Meter** accounts pay a SWP charge that is equivalent to roughly half (48%) of the SWP charge for a ¾" meter. The Basic charge for Multi-Family accounts is equal to the charge for a ¾" meter. The Basic charge for Master Meter account varies by meter size.
- (xi) **Hospitality** accounts pay a SWP charge per room that is equivalent to roughly a quarter (25%) of the SWP charge for a ¾" meter. The Basic charge for Hospitality accounts varies by meter size.

For example, a Hospitality account with 40 rooms that has a 1 ½" water meter is charged the SWP Hospitality rate for each room.

40 Rooms x \$9.24 = \$369.60

(14) The Agricultural Operation and Maintenance (Ag O&M) charge. The District shall impose a monthly service charge for **Agricultural** accounts in accordance with the schedule in Table 4. This charge funds operations and

maintenance costs that are collected by other customer classes through the Capital Improvement Program charge.

TABLE 4

Meter Size	Monthly O&M Charge
3/4"	\$45.50
1"	\$75.82
1 1/2"	\$151.63
2"	\$242.61
3"	\$530.69
4"	\$955.23
6"	\$1,971.10

(15) Monthly Service Charges for Fire Accounts. The District shall impose a monthly service charge for fire accounts in accordance with the schedule in Table 5.

TABLE 5

Monthly Fire Service Charges				
Fireline Size	Charge			
2"	\$13.07			
3"	\$28.47			
4"	\$55.06			
6"	\$150.47			
8"	\$315.03			
10"	\$562.57			

Fiscal 2026 proposed rates and charges

The following rates shall be adjusted as described below however implementation of these changes shall not be implemented until July 1, 2025 or if the Board determines at a time beyond this date.

<u>Rates and Charges for Water Service:</u> Monthly Service Charges, Dwelling Unit Equivalency Charges and Residential Equivalency Charges, and Metered Water Rates are hereby established and will become effective at the implementation date identified above:

e. <u>Water rates.</u> With the exception of the conditions outlined below, the District shall impose water rates for each unit of water used by a customer in accordance with the schedule set forth in Table 1 and with the procedures set out in the following subsections of this section.

TABLE 1

Water Rates (unit cost)				
1 unit = 100 cubic feet (HCF) or 748 gallons	Base	Pressure Zone I	Pressure Zone II	
	\$/HCF	\$/HCF	\$/HCF	
Single Family, Multi-family, Master Meter Residential, & Landscape				
Tier 1	\$5.19	\$5.58	\$5.96	
Tier 2	\$5.39	\$5.78	\$6.16	
Tier 3	\$6.37	\$6.76	\$7.14	
Commercial, Industrial, Public Authority, Hospitality				
Base	\$5.21	\$5.60	\$5.98	
Peak	\$6.29	\$6.68	\$7.06	
Agricultural				
Uniform	\$2.47	\$2.86	\$3.24	
Residential Equivalency Fee	\$26.01			
Temporary				
Uniform	\$5.48	\$5.87	\$6.25	
Fire				
Uniform	\$5.21			

¹ Pressure Zone I = Connections served by Gobernador Reservoir

(16) For **Residential, Multi-Family,** and **Landscape** accounts the Tier 1 limit is 6 HCF based on efficient indoor use for a three-person household. The Tier 2

² Pressure Zone II = Connections served by Shepard Mesa Tank

limit is 10 HCF based on average summer use (Jun. to Sep.). Tier 3 pricing applies to all consumption in excess of Tier 2 use.

For example, charges for an account that uses 36 HCF in one month would be:

Tier 1:	6	HCF	Χ	\$5.19	=	\$31.14
Tier 2:	10	HCF	Х	\$5.39	=	\$53.90
Tier 3:	20	HCF	Х	\$6.37	=	\$127.40
TOTAL	36	HCF			=	\$212.44

(17) For all Master Meter accounts the tier limit is multiplied by the number of dwelling units served by the account. This is done to equitably distribute the costs of water for all customers.

For example, if a master meter account has 4 dwelling units the maximum consumption in tier 1 would be 24 HCF and the maximum consumption in tier 2 would be 40 HCF. Therefore, charges for a master-meter account with 4 dwelling units that uses 60 HCF would be:

	Maximum	Actual					
	use	use					
Tier 1:	24	24	HCF	Χ	\$5.19	=	\$124.56
Tier 2:	40	36	HCF	Х	\$5.39	=	\$194.04
Tier 3:		0	HCF	Х	\$6.37	=	\$0.00
TOTAL		60	HCF			=	\$318.60

- (18) For all **Commercial**, **Hospitality**, **and Industrial** accounts, water charges shall be determined by establishing a Base tier using the customer's December-March 5-year average water consumption. This consumption amount will establish the Base Tier amount charged at the rate specified in Table 1. All water consumed in excess of the Base tier shall be charged at the Peak tier rate. Accounts lacking sufficient water use history to establish Base Tier volumes shall receive the average of all qualifying accounts.
- (19) For example, a commercial account with a 5-year December to March average water consumption of 50 HCF uses 110 HCF in July. The total water charge for this account for July water use would be as follows.

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Base	50	HCF	Χ	\$5.21	=	\$260.50
Peak	60	HCF	Х	\$6.29	=	\$377.40
TOTAL	110	HCF			=	\$637.90

- (20) **Public Authority** accounts for irrigation of City parks and school fields receive the Agricultural uniform water rater. Other Public Authority accounts receive the base-peak rate.
- (21) For all **Agricultural** accounts, water charges shall adhere to the uniform rate in Table 1.
- (22) For all **Fire** accounts, water charges shall adhere to the uniform rate in Table 1. Misuse of private fire services (e.g., use for direct potable consumption) shall result in charges for water, service fees and / or discontinuance of service.
- (23) For all **Temporary** accounts, water charges shall adhere to the uniform rate in Table 1.
- (24) Residential Equivalency Charge (REQ). The District shall impose a REQ Charge on "Agriculture" accounts for each residential dwelling unit served by District water through the Agriculture account. See Table 1 for the REQ charge.
- (25) Monthly Capital Improvement Program Service Charge ("CIP Charge"). The CIP Charge shall be based on the 5-year average monthly water consumption for each individual account. This volume shall be multiplied by the CIP rate in accordance with the schedule set forth in Table 3 and the procedures set out in the following subsections.

Each individual account must have a minimum of eight months of water use history for the CIP charge. Accounts with fewer than eight months of history will receive a default consumption value, instead of the individualized 5-year average, as described below.

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TABLE 2

Monthly Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Charge (non-Agricultural)				
Rate	\$6.45	per HCF		
Minimum	\$25.80	4 HCF per dwelling unit		
Maximum	\$1,612.50	250 HCF per dwelling unit		

(xii) The CIP Charge for all Single Family Residential and Landscape accounts shall be based on the 5-year average monthly water consumption for each individual account. Accounts with fewer than eight months of consumption history will receive a default value of 12 HCF.

This volume shall be multiplied by an annually determined CIP rate. A minimum CIP charge based on 4 HCF per month and a maximum charge based upon 250 HCF per month shall be applied.

For example, if an account has a 5-year monthly average water consumption of 3 HCF, the CIP charge would be based on the minimum of 4 HCF.

4 HCF
$$x$$
 \$6.45 = \$25.80

(xiii) The CIP Charge for all **Multi-Family** accounts shall be based on the 5-year average monthly water consumption for each individual account. Accounts with fewer than eight months of consumption history will receive a default value of 6 HCF.

This volume shall be multiplied by an annually determined CIP rate. A minimum CIP charge based on 4 HCF per month and a maximum charge based upon 250 HCF per month shall be applied.

For example, if an account has a 5-year monthly average water consumption of 3 HCF, the CIP charge would be based on the minimum of 4 HCF.

4 HCF
$$x$$
 \$6.45 = \$25.80

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(xiv) The CIP Charge for all **Commercial**, **Industrial**, **Public Authority**, **and Temporary** accounts shall be based on the 5-year average monthly water consumption for each individual account. Accounts with fewer than eight months of consumption history will receive the average of all accounts within the Commercial, Industrial, and Public Authority customer classes.

This volume shall be multiplied by an annually determined CIP rate. A minimum CIP charge based on 4 HCF per month and a maximum charge based upon 250 HCF per month shall be applied.

For example, if an account has a 5-year monthly average water consumption of 3 HCF, the CIP charge would be based on the minimum of 4 HCF.

$$4 \text{ HCF} \times \$6.45 = \$25.80$$

(xv) Master Meter and Hospitality accounts are subject to a minimum CIP charge of 4 HCF per dwelling unit or hotel/ motel room. Accounts with fewer than eight months of consumption history will receive a default value of 12 HCF.

For example, if an account with 5 dwelling units has a 5-year monthly average water consumption of 15 HCF, the per-unit average would be 3 HCF which is below the minimum. The minimum for 5 dwelling units is 20 HCF.

Minimum use

$$20$$
 HCF x $$6.45 = 129.00

- (xvi) **Agriculture** and **Fire** accounts shall not be subject to a CIP Charge.
- f. <u>Service charges.</u> The District shall impose Monthly Service Charges in accordance with the schedule set forth in the following subsections regardless of the amount of water used by a customer during any given month or fraction thereof.

(26) <u>Monthly Basic and State Water Project (SW) Service</u>. The schedule set forth in Table 2 defines the monthly Basic and State Water Project charges.

TABLE 3

Monthly Basic and State Water Project Charges						
Meter Size	Basic	SWP	Total			
3/4"	\$11.08	\$39.09	\$50.17			
1"	\$14.89	\$65.15	\$80.04			
1 1/2"	\$24.44	\$130.28	\$154.72			
2"	\$35.89	\$208.44	\$244.33			
3"	\$72.17	\$455.93	\$528.10			
4"	\$125.63	\$820.67	\$946.30			
6"	\$253.55	\$1,693.43	1,946.98			
Multi-family residential	\$11.08	\$18.23	\$29.31			
Master meter residential	By Meter Size	\$18.23				
Hospitality	By Meter Size	\$9.94				

- (xvii) The Basic and State Water Project charges for Single Family Residential, Commercial, Industrial, Public Authority, Temporary, Landscape, and Agriculture accounts adhere to the rates shown in Table 2.
- (xviii) **Multi-Family** and **Master Meter** accounts pay a SWP charge that is equivalent to roughly half (48%) of the SWP charge for a ¾" meter. The Basic charge for Multi-Family accounts is equal to the charge for a ¾" meter. The Basic charge for Master Meter account varies by meter size.
- (xix) **Hospitality** accounts pay a SWP charge per room that is equivalent to roughly a quarter (25%) of the SWP charge for a 3/4" meter. The Basic charge for Hospitality accounts varies by meter size.

For example, a Hospitality account with 40 rooms that has a 1 ½" water meter is charged the SWP Hospitality rate for each room.

40 Rooms x \$9.94 = \$397.60

(27) The Agricultural Operation and Maintenance (Ag O&M) charge. The District shall impose a monthly service charge for **Agricultural** accounts in accordance with the schedule in Table 4. This charge funds operations and

maintenance costs that are collected by other customer classes through the Capital Improvement Program charge.

TABLE 4

Meter Size	Monthly O&M Charge
3/4"	\$48.92
1"	\$81.51
1 1/2"	\$163.01
2"	\$260.81
3"	\$570.50
4"	\$1,026.88
6"	\$2,118.94

(28) <u>Monthly Service Charges for Fire Accounts.</u> The District shall impose a monthly service charge for fire accounts in accordance with the schedule in Table 5.

TABLE 5

Monthly Fire Service Charges				
Fireline Size	Charge			
2"	\$14.06			
3"	\$30.61			
4"	\$59.19			
6"	\$161.76			
8"	\$338.66			
10"	\$604.77			

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<u>Payment of the Monthly Charges.</u> Payment of the monthly Basic, SWP and CIP charges does not entitle the customer to any quantity of water. All water used by a customer will be supplied to a customer at the rate set forth in the sections above.

Appeals of Base tier and CIP calculations. In the event that a customer or account holder disagrees with the District derived values for the Base tier, Tier 1, or CIP amounts of water, said customer may petition the Assistant General Manager to solely at his discretion assign a different methodology for calculation of these values. Any customer appealing District derived values shall have at least 6 months of water use history, including the December through March period.

Compliance with Article XIII D of the California Constitution. The Governing Board has determined that the imposition of the District's rates and charges for water service complies with the requirements of Article XIII D section 6 (b) of the California Constitution. Furthermore, and in accordance with the requirements of Section 6 (a) and the District (i) provided 45 days prior written notice of the public hearing at which the Board considered the proposed changes and increases in the District's rates and charges for water service; (ii) considered all written protests presented to the District Board at or prior to the close of the public hearing; and (iii) following the conclusion of the public hearing, the District's General Manager counted the total number of written protest received by the District and informed the District Board that no majority protest existed.

<u>Procedural Exemption for Water Rates and Charges:</u> Pursuant to Section 66018 (d) of the Government Code, the rates and charges for water service as established in this Resolution are exempt from the notice and public hearing requirements of Section 66018 of the Government Code. It is further found and determined that these rates and charges are not the type of fees and charges as set forth in Section 66016 (d) of the Government Code and therefore are not subject to the procedural requirements of Section 66016 of the Government Code.

<u>Effective Date of Resolution:</u> This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon adoption and shall remain in effect until changed by the District Board.

Amendment to the District's Rules and Regulations: Conflicts; Validity: The terms and provisions of this Resolution shall become a part of the District Rules and Regulations. To the extent that the terms and provisions of this Resolution are inconsistent or in conflict with the terms and provisions of any prior District ordinance, resolution, or rule and regulations, the terms of this Resolution shall prevail, and inconsistent and conflicting provisions of prior ordinances, resolutions and rules and regulations shall be suspended during the effective period of this Resolution. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Resolution is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Resolution. The Board hereby declares that it would have passed this Resolution and each section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more section, subsection, sentence, clauses or phrases by unconstitutional or invalid.

Exception from the Requirements of CEQA: Section 21080 (b) (8) of the Public Resources Code is contained in and is a part of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Section 21080 (b) (8) of said Act provides that CEQA does not apply to the establishment, modification, structuring, restructuring or approval of rates, tolls, fares or other charges by a public agency

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which are for the purpose of (1) meeting operating expense, including employee wage rates and fringe benefits, (2) purchasing or leasing supplies, equipment or materials, (3) meeting financial reserve needs or requirements, or (4) obtaining funds for capital projects necessary to maintain service within existing service areas.

It is hereby found and determined that none of the rates and charges fixed and established by this Resolution are for any purposes other than the purposes set forth in Section 21080 (b) (8) and are therefore, pursuant to said Section, exempt from the requirements of CEQA. This Resolution constitutes the written findings of the record of the proceedings claiming the aforesaid exemption. The District Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to prepare and file a Notice of Exemption based upon Public Resources Code section 21080 (b) (8).

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Board of the Carpinteria Valley Water District on the 13th day of September, 2023, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Holcombe, Johnson, Balch, Roberts and Van Wingerden

NAYES: ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

APPROVED: Case Van Wingerden

Case Van Wingerden, Board President

ATTEST: DocuSigned by:

Robert Mc Donald, Secretary

Robert McDonald