

# Fee For Service

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# Methodology

1. Comprehensive Cost Analysis
2. Benchmarking
3. Full Cost Recovery
4. Tiered/Variable Fees
5. CPI Adjustment
6. Time & Motion Study
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9. Stakeholder engagement



Carlsbad Municipal Water District  
City of Del Mar  
City of Escondido Utilities  
Fallbrook Public Utility District  
Helix Water District  
Lakeside Water District  
Oceanside Water District  
Olivenhain Municipal Water District  
Padre Dam Municipal Water District  
Mootamai MWD  
Questhaven Municipal Water District  
Ramona Municipal Water District  
Rincon del Diablo Municipal Water District  
San Diego County Water Authority  
San Dieguito Water District  
Santa Fe Irrigation District  
San Luis Rey Municipal Water District  
Sweetwater Authority

# Fees Schedule

Service Fees and Charges	Current	Proposed	
Delinquency rate	5%, 1.5%*	No change	
Returned check	\$ 30	No change	
Locked meter turn-on	\$ 50	81	
After hours turn-on	\$ 75	\$ 242	
New account set-up	New	\$ 22	
Cut padlock	\$ 22	\$ 108	
Release of lien	New	\$ 73	
Lien processing	New	\$ 73	
Fire standby (monthly)	\$ 5	No change	
Bypass meter (monthly)	\$ 10	No change	
Fire Service Only Meter	\$ 10	No change	
<del>48-Hour Notice</del>	\$ 40	Remove	
Tax roll unpaid water/sewer	\$ 45	\$ 98	
Backflow inspections (Non-compliance)	\$ 11	\$ 130	
Backflow testing (monthly) - 5/8" - 2"	\$ 4.81	\$ 5.08	
Backflow testing (monthly) 3"-6"	\$ 8.14	\$ 8.60	
Water theft	New	\$ 180	+ Actual cost in units
Unauthorized use/damage to District property	New	\$ 341	+ Actual cost in damage
Fire flow test	\$ 350	\$ 428	
Meter obstruction	New	\$ 320	
<b>Meter Testing Charge</b>			
1" or smaller	\$ 50	\$ 150	
1.5" to 2"	\$ 71	\$ 213	
3" to 6"	\$ 225	\$ 439	
<b>Service Availability Letters</b>			
Minor Subdivision	\$ 150	No change	
Major Subdivision	\$ 250	No change	

\*5\* for first delinquency, 1.5% each month thereafter

All fees are nonrefundable and represent costs for services rendered and materials provided.

# Fees Schedule

Plan Review Deposit	
Type	Cost Per Sheet
Single commercial lot	\$1,200
Residential lots (parcels<5)	\$1,200
Subdivision	\$1,600
Commercial development center	\$1,600
Apartment complex	\$1,600
County project	\$1,600
Right-of-way	\$500
As-builts	\$850
Cost estimates	\$850
Easements	
Legal description	\$1,200
Plat map	\$1,200
Grant of deed	\$1,200

Material Fees <sup>1</sup>		
Meter Size	Current	Proposed
5/8"	\$ 228	\$ 241
3/4"	\$ 267	\$ 270
1"	\$ 355	\$ 322
1 1/2"	\$ 693	\$ 701
2"	\$ 693	\$ 753
3"	\$ 1,826	\$ 1,928
4"	\$ 2,288	\$ 2,987

Project Administration Deposit	
Water	
1-5 Meters <sup>2</sup>	\$ 3,500 per meter
Meter relocation	\$ 2,000 per relocation
Fire hydrant/appurtenances	\$ 3,500 per fixture
Sewer	
1-5 EDUs <sup>3</sup>	\$ 3,500



Questions?