We're in this Together





To see how your bill will change, visit: www.montecitowater.com/ calculator

In accordance with Resolution 2200 adopted on June 25, 2020 an annual rate increase will be effective July 1, 2021 for billing statements generated from meter reads after that date.

The rates are designed to recover the operating expenses and costs of the District so that the District may fulfill its mission to:

Provide an adequate and reliable supply of high quality water to the residents of Montecito and Summerland at the most reasonable cost

Annual Rate Increase Will Be Reflected On Your August Bill

	July 1, 2020	July 1, 2021	July 1, 2022	July 1, 2023	July 1, 2024
Monthly Meter Charge					
3/4-inch	\$46.86	\$48.18	\$49.53	\$50.92	\$52.35
1-inch	\$76.69	\$78.84	\$81.05	\$83.32	\$85.66
1 1/2-inch	\$135.04	\$138.83	\$142.72	\$146.72	\$150.83
2-inch	\$212.83	\$218.79	\$224.92	\$231.22	\$237.70
3-inch	\$731.49	\$751.98	\$773.04	\$794.69	\$816.95
4-inch	\$1,431.67	\$1,471.76	\$1,512.97	\$1,555.34	\$1,598.89
6-inch	\$3,246.97	\$3,337.89	\$3,431.36	\$3,527.44	\$3,626.21
Monthly Private Fire Line Char	ge				
2-inch	\$19.35	\$19.90	\$20.46	\$21.04	\$21.63
4-inch	\$91.89	\$94.47	\$97.12	\$99.84	\$102.64
6-inch	\$256.70	\$263.89	\$271.28	\$278.88	\$286.69
8-inch	\$540.96	\$556.11	\$571.69	\$587.70	\$604.16
Water Usage Rates (\$/hundred	cubic feet or l	ncf)			
Residential					
Tier 1: 9 hcf	\$6.56	\$6.75	\$6.94	\$7.14	\$7.34
Tier 2: 10 - 35 hcf	\$11.14	\$11.46	\$11.79	\$12.13	\$12.47
Tier 3: 36+ hcf	\$12.31	\$12.66	\$13.02	\$13.39	\$13.77
Commercial	\$9.63	\$9.90	\$10.18	\$10.47	\$10.77
Institutional	\$10.58	\$10.88	\$11.19	\$11.51	\$11.84
Agriculture	\$5.50	\$5.66	\$5.82	\$5.99	\$6.16
Non-Potable	\$1.80	\$1.86	\$1.92	\$1.98	\$2.04

Note: 1 hundred cubic feet (hcf)= 748 gallons



Nick Turner, General Manager

A Message on Drought and Voluntary Conservation

Drought has become headline news again, and I'd like to take a moment to both reassure customers and ask for your renewed commitment in improving efficient water use.

We've Come a Long Way towards "Droughtproofing" the District. Our current rate structure funds critical water supply investments and infrastructure improvements to ensure water supply availability long term. We have budgeted for and are implementing vital initiatives such as groundwater banking and desalination. We've planned for periods of drought.

Water Use has Increased. Over the past several months we have seen a marked increase in customer usage. While our planning model provides for modest increase over time, current customer usage exceeds our water budget. Please check your invoice to see if your usage is on track with prior years, or if it may be time to make adjustments.

Voluntary Conservation is Essential. Minimal rainfall, more "at-home" time during the pandemic, a flurry of home improvements – we've got many factors that may contribute to increased demand. However, ongoing conservation is a needed and important part of our water supply strategy locally and statewide.

Day in and day out we provide high quality water and dedicated service to our customers. With drought again in the forecast, we look forward to working together to avoid water waste.



Please Use Water Wisely, **Indoors and Out**

- Maintain and / or upgrade plumbing fixtures
- Evaluate and improve irrigation systems
- Convert to less thirsty landscaping
- Cover Pools when not in use to limit evaporation
- Water before 7 am or after 7 pm
- Check meters regularly (Smart Meter implementation remains on track for late 2021)
- Setup a Free Consultation with the District's Conservation Specialist by calling 805.969.2271
- We're here to help! Find more conservation tips on our web site: www.montecitowater.com and at our partnership site: www.waterwisesb.org



Chad Hurshman, Water Treatment and **Production Superintendent**

Water Quality

The District employs statecertified water treatment professionals who combine round-the-clock monitoring with extensive analysis to ensure compliance with all State and Federal water quality standards. Only the highest quality water that meets all stringent state and federal drinking water requirements is delivered to customers, as detailed in

our annual Water Quality Report available at www.montecitowater.com Results are released annually by July 1st. For more information on Water Quality, please contact Chad Hurshman at 805.969.7924

Customer Service

- While counters remain closed due to COVID-19 precautions, MWD's dedicated customer service staff is available Monday – Friday during regular business hours (8am - 5pm) and can be reached by calling 805.969.2271.
- Most business can be conducted online at: www.montecitowater.com where you can access account information and the online billpay portal 24/7. The web site is also a great resource for available forms, instructions on how to read new meters, and the District calendar which shows meter read and public meeting dates.
- For public health and safety, all meetings continue to be conducted virtually. Web access and Teleconferencing information is available on the agenda for every meeting.

Wells and Groundwater

The Montecito Groundwater Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (Montecito GSA) formed under the Montecito Water District in 2018 to address longterm sustainability of the basin as required by California's Sustainable Groundwater Management Act. Public participation in the Agency's work is highly encouraged. To learn more about the Montecito GSA, the importance of groundwater in this community, and the status of the Groundwater Sustainability Plan, please visit the web site: www.montecitogsa.com.

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