

Proposed Water Rate Changes

For Residential Truckee Donner PUD Customers



TDPUD is proposing changes to water rates for 2021 through 2025. The new proposed rates are competitive with local water agencies and the typical bill would only increase by \$7 per month.

Water Rate Increase

Water rates set by public agencies in California are subject to Proposition 218, which requires that rates be set based on actual cost-of-service. TDPUD worked with reputable, independent consultants to design a rate structure to account for future costs and the proposed water rates for 2021 – 2025 are detailed at tdpud.org/WaterRateInfo.

Why the Water Rate Increase is Needed

TDPUD works hard to control costs and operate as efficiently as possible. The increase in rates is due to the need to address critical challenges including:

- **Protecting against catastrophic events**, such as wildfires, to ensure public safety;
- **Responding to unfunded California mandates**, including water quality, water loss, and conservation;
- **Funding fully the expanding capital needs of the TDPUD** while replenishing needed reserve fund balance; and
- **Maintaining TDPUD's high quality of service** and programs while investing in a more reliable and resilient utility.

How This Will Impact Customer Bills

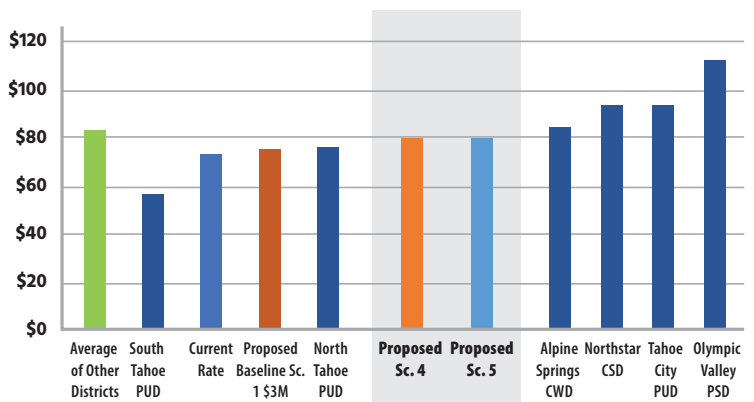
California Proposition 218 requires that rates be based on cost of service, ensuring the rates are proportional to the services customers use. For residential customers, the cost of service is based on the amount of water used, pumping charges associated with their location in the water system, and the maintenance of fire flow capacity. Based upon the proposed rates, the average residential customer would see an increase in 2021 of about \$7 per month.

How TDPUD Rates Compare

As a community-owned, not-for-profit utility, TDPUD's proposed rates remain competitive while providing significant value to our community.

Local Average Residential Bill Comparison

FY 2021
Avg. Residential Customer Monthly Bill Comparison
3/4" Meter and 5,000 Gal/Month



Proposed water utility rates will place the TDPUD below the average for public water utilities in the Truckee-Tahoe Region

TDPUD Programs Can Help

We offer rebates and other programs to help you save water and money. Learn more at tdpud.org.

Learn More

For more information about changes to TDPUD water rates, please visit tdpud.org/WaterRateInfo or email feedback@tdpud.org.