

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**HUMBOLDT BAY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The Board of Directors of the HUMBOLDT BAY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT will hold a Public Hearing March 11, 2021 at 5:30 pm to consider adoption of proposed retail rates and charges under Ordinance 13 establishing rates, rules, and regulations for retail water service. The hearing will be held at the District office located at 828 Seventh Street, Eureka. Due to COVID-19 the Public Hearing will also be accessible via Zoom at:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81019807832?pwd=NHVYMUbnRUxweWZOaENpMnRWWnhudz09>

The District conducted a rate study and it showed that existing water rates do not fully recover costs associated with operation, maintenance, and capital projects for its retail sector. The rate study was also reviewed by an independent consultant. In order to smoothly transition into the required increase, the District is phasing in the increase over five years. This approach will prevent a large increase in water bills the first year and ensures the retail water fund balances over the next five years.

<b>Customer</b>	<b>5/8" Meter Monthly Bill (500 cubic feet)</b>
<b>HBMWD, Non-Fairhaven</b> ( <i>existing, 2020</i> )	\$ 29
<b>HBMWD, Non-Fairhaven</b> ( <i>proposed, 2021</i> )	<b>\$ 42</b>
<b>HBMWD, Fairhaven</b> ( <i>existing, 2020</i> )	\$ 62
<b>HBMWD, Fairhaven</b> ( <i>proposed, 2021</i> )	<b>\$ 70</b>

Under Proposition 218, if you object to the proposed rates as described above, you may file a written protest with the District at, or before, the time set for the public hearing. A valid protest must contain a description of the serviced property (such as address or assessor's parcel number), the name, signature, address and phone number of the signer(s) and your statement of the specific rate changes for which you protest the increase in the fee. Written protests may be mailed or delivered to 828 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Eureka, CA 95501.

One written protest will be counted for each parcel that is mandated to comply with the proposed rates. If the District receives written protests against proposed water rates by a majority of the affected property owners, tenants or utility customers on record prior to the end of the hearing, the Board will not approve the change.

Additional information can be viewed at [www.hbmwd.com](http://www.hbmwd.com)

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