

Del Oro Water Company - Strawberry District 2015-2016 Service Improvement Plan

NOTICED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STANDARD PRACTICE U-36-W OF THE CA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Del Oro Water Company addresses, on an every other year basis, system-wide improvements, many of which are a result of aging infrastructure. Below is a summary of the projects that are scheduled to be undertaken in the 2015/2016 fiscal period. Included is our best estimate of the cost to complete these tasks, the total potential impact on rates, and a description of the facilities and/or streets which will be addressed by this Capital Improvement Project.

In summary, Del Oro Water Company will undertake:

1. **Up to 2,768 linear feet** of mainline replacement on:
 - a. Meadowview Drive and Strawberry Drive
 - b. Sections of Quail Drive and Old Sonora Road Lane in the vicinity of Grosbeak Lane, Old Strawberry Drive, and Hummingbird Lane
 - c. Old Strawberry Drive from Tanager Drive to River Drive
 - d. Robin Lane (*Tentative*)
 - e. Tanager Drive from Old Strawberry Road to the 90° turn (*Tentative*)
2. Addition and/or replacement and/or relocation of up to **11 fire hydrants, 15 gate valves and boxes, 36 service lines, and 12 meters with meter boxes**

The total cost for the project is estimated to not exceed \$500,000. This does not include Robin Lane or Tanager Drive, however these streets will be addressed if they can be accomplished within the \$500,000 budget. The estimated rate changes will not be finalized or go into effect until late 2015 or early 2016, after the project has been completed.

The rate impact is approximately \$18.21 per month for the average customer.

<u>Metered Rate:</u>	Current	Proposed	Proposed
<u>Per Meter</u>	<u>Per</u>	<u>Per</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
	<u>Month</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Increase</u>
For 5/8 x 3/4 -inch meter	\$ 78.17	\$ 93.40	\$ 15.23
For 3/4 -inch meter	117.27	140.11	22.84
For 1-inch meter	195.44	233.51	38.07
For 1 1/2- inch meter	390.88	467.02	76.14
For 2-inch meter	625.41	747.24	121.83
	Current	Proposed	Proposed
	<u>Per ccf</u>	<u>Per ccf</u>	<u>Increase</u>
<u>All water, per 100 Cu. Ft.</u>	\$ 9.01	\$ 10.77	\$ 1.76

Bill Comparison - 5/8" x 3/4" Service				
Monthly Usage (ccf)	Present Rates	Proposed Rates	\$ Increase	% Increase
0	\$ 78.17	\$ 93.40	\$ 15.23	19.48%
1	87.18	104.16	16.98	19.48%
1.5	91.69	109.55	17.86	19.48%
2	96.19	114.93	18.74	19.48%
3	105.20	125.69	20.49	19.48%
10	168.27	201.05	32.78	19.48%
15	213.32	254.87	41.55	19.48%

The public is invited to attend an informal briefing on Saturday May 23, 2015 at Dodge Ridge Ski Lodge, 1 Dodge Ridge Rd, Pinecrest, CA 95364. The briefing will commence at 1:00 P.M. and is scheduled for one hour to discuss customer questions and concerns.

Customers are also invited to comment in writing on this proposal. Comments must reference "Strawberry 2015-2016 Service Improvement Plan". Comments must be mailed within 20 days of the date of this notice (no later than May 24, 2015) and should be: mailed to **Del Oro Water Co., Strawberry District, Drawer 5172, Chico, CA 95927**, or faxed to (530)894-7645, or emailed to CommunityRelations@delorowater.com.

NOTE: PLACE OF THE MEETING IS ACCESSIBLE TO THE HANDICAPPED.

Mailed: Monday, May 4, 2015