

Proposed Increases to Garbage Collection, Recycling and Disposal Fees and Charges

Rates Were Lowered in January 2017 and Will Remain Below the Previous Level

Charges Will Remain Below Average for the County

Even with the proposed fees and charges, rates in the MWSD service area will remain below average compared to other communities in San Mateo County.

Information About the Previous Rate Decrease. In a regular review of solid waste charges, we found that some costs were lower than expected, so we lowered fees and charges 3.56% effective January 1, 2017. Since then, costs have increased, requiring an increase in garbage collection fees and charges, but one that is still below the 2016 charges and fees.

Proposed 3.25 Percent Increase. Montara Water and Sanitary District (MWSD) is proposing to adopt a 3.25% increase in garbage collection, recycling, and disposal fees and charges for services furnished by Recology of the Coast (Recology) under a franchise agreement with the District. The rates are proposed to go into effect on January 1, 2018.

What Do the Solid Waste Fees and Charges Pay for?

- On-going operating expenses of Recology of the Coast to collect and dispose of all garbage and recyclable material and to account for and bill customers.
- On-going expenses for equipment and supplies needed to operate the company.
- Costs to repair, replace, and upgrade garbage collection trucks and other equipment.
- Pay tipping fees (also called dump fees) at Ox Mountain Landfill in Half Moon Bay to dispose of all non-recycled waste.

The District will hold a public hearing at its offices on December 7, 2017 at 7:30 p.m., at which the Board of Directors will consider the proposed rate increase for approval. Customers are encouraged to attend, learn more and provide input before the Board votes. If the increase is approved, it will cover service beginning on January 1, 2018.

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Customers Can Reduce Garbage Collection Fees and Charges By Switching from a 32-Gallon Garbage Bin to a 20-Gallon Bin.

To Help Fit Your Trash into a Smaller Bin, Take Advantage of Free Bulky Goods Collection.

A majority of Pacifica residents have realized a savings in their collection charges by switching to 20-gallon bins. Currently in the MWSD service area, only a small percentage of customers use 20-gallon bins.



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