



Root Creek Water District
P.O. Box 27950
Fresno, CA 93729

**NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS OF
PUBLIC HEARING
November 18, 2024 at 11:00 am
ON PROPOSED
2025 RATES, FEES, AND ASSESSMENTS**

Overview

The Root Creek Water District (District) sustainably manages surface water and groundwater resources to provide available water supply for agricultural and municipal customers within the District. The District imports and delivers surface water to agricultural customers and simultaneously provides potable water, stormwater, and sewer services to municipal customers. The District intends to adopt a rate schedule to recover the District’s share of providing agricultural and municipal services. *Rates for years following 2025 are excerpted from the 2022 Municipal Rate Study for informational purposes only and will require board approval at a public hearing to be adopted.*

The District completed a Municipal Rate Study Update in 2022, approved by the landowners in the District, to fairly determine the costs and rates for agricultural water service and municipal utility services. Connection Fees are reflective of the 2021 Connection Fee Update. The costs are found in Table 1., Table 2., Table 3., and Table 4, and are the estimated costs to provide services.

Table 1: Proposed 2025 Municipal Bimonthly Rate Charges – Effective January 1, 2025

Category	January 1, 2025	January 1, 2026
Municipal Water Service		
<i>Residential Volume Rates (\$/CCF)</i>		
Tier 1: 0 to 20 CCF	\$3.35	\$3.62
Tier 2: over 20 CCF	\$4.91	\$5.30
<i>Non-residential Volume Rate (\$/CCF)</i>		
Commercial	\$3.92	\$4.23
Irrigation	\$4.00	\$4.32
<i>Meter Fees</i>		
1"	\$79.96	\$86.36
1.5"	\$79.96	\$86.36
2"	\$127.94	\$138.18
3"	\$255.87	\$276.35
4"	\$399.80	\$431.80
6"	\$799.60	\$863.60
Municipal Sewer Service		
Per Dwelling Unit	\$117.19	\$140.63
Municipal Storm Drain Service		
Per Dwelling Unit	\$17.49	\$20.11

Table 2: Proposed 2025 Volume Rates – Drought Conditions – Effective January 1, 2025

Category	January 1, 2025	January 1, 2026
Municipal Water Volume Rates (\$/CCF) – Drought Conditions		
Residential	\$4.91	\$5.30
Commercial	\$4.91	\$5.30
Irrigation	\$4.91	\$5.30

Table 3: Proposed 2025 Connection Fees – Effective January 1, 2025

Water	Average Density (dwellings/ac)	Low Range (lots/acre)	High Range (lots/acre)	Water Fee per dwelling unit
Ultra Low	1	0	1.70	39,543.00
Very Low	2.00	1.70	2.50	19,709.00
Low	3.00	2.50	3.50	12,589.00
Medium Low	4.00	3.50	4.50	9,410.00
Medium	5.00	4.50	6.00	7,503.00
Medium High	10.00	6.00	9.00	4,909.00
High	12.00	9.00	15.00	5,214.00
Very High	20.00	15.00		3,879.00

Storm Water	Runoff Coefficient	Average Density (dwellings/ac)	Low Range (lots/acre)	Storm Water Fee per dwelling unit
Ultra Low	0.30	0.85	0	8,515
Very Low	0.35	2.00	1.70	4,967
Low	0.40	3.00	2.50	3,784
Medium Low	0.42	4.00	3.50	2,980
Medium	0.45	5.25	4.50	2,554
Medium High	0.55	10.00	6.00	1,561
High	0.65	20.00	9.00	922
Very High	0.80	20.00	15.00	1,135

Wastewater	Wastewater Fee per dwelling unit
Residential	\$13,607

Table 4: Proposed 2025 Agricultural Water Rates – Effective January 1, 2025

Category		January 1, 2025	January 1, 2026	January 1, 2027
Groundwater Recharge Fee	(\$/acre foot)	\$135.17	\$142.32	\$149.91
Surface Water Fee	(\$/acre foot)	\$192.33	\$203.06	\$214.44

Public Participation

Any member of the public may request data indicating the estimated cost required to provide the service for which the fee or service charge is levied, and the revenue sources anticipated to provide the service by emailing admin@rootcreekwd.com. Members of the public may comment on the proposed rates in writing or in person at the public hearing, so long as they are received prior to the conclusion of the public hearing. Written requests/correspondence may be submitted by mail to the Root Creek Water District Secretary at P.O. Box 27950, Fresno, CA 93729.

Information may also be found at: <https://rootcreekwd.com/meetings-and-policies/>

Notice of a Public Hearing on Rates, Fees and Assessments

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 66016, the Root Creek Water District Board of Directors will hold a Public Hearing on the proposed District rates, fees and assessments on *November 18, 2024 beginning at 11:00 a.m.* at the Lodge at Riverstone located at 370 Lodge Road South, Madera, CA 93636.