



NOTICE OF PUBLIC FORUMS

(Public Participation Hearings)

San Jose Water’s Request to Increase Water Rates

APPLICATION 24-01-001

How can I participate?

San Jose Water (SJW) and the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) would like to hear from you. You are invited to participate in a Public Forum, also called a Public Participation Hearing (PPH), about San Jose Water’s Application 24-01-001 for authority to increase rates for water service.

This Public Forum is a part of a formal proceeding that will be documented and placed into the formal record so the CPUC can make a decision about San Jose Water’s request. You can make comments and raise concerns to the CPUC Administrative Law Judge overseeing this application.

You can also provide written public comments at any time during the proceeding at apps.cpuc.ca.gov/c/A2401001.

Where and when will these Public Forums be held?

DATE:	TIME:	CALL-IN AND WEBCAST INFORMATION:
Thursday, June 13, 2024	2:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m.	Call-In: (800) 857-1917 Passcode: 7032766# To make a public comment: Press *1 Webcast (view only): www.adminmonitor.com/ca/cpuc/

PLEASE NOTE: If you need a language interpreter, please contact the CPUC’s Public Advisor’s Office using the contact information at the end of this notice at least five business days before the Public Forum.

For updates and additional information, please visit: www.cpuc.ca.gov/PPH.

Why am I receiving this notice?

On January 2, 2024, SJW filed its General Rate Case application (A.24-01-001) with the CPUC. The application is requesting a total of \$55,196,000 or 11.11% in 2025, \$22,041,000 or 3.99% in 2026, and \$25,809,000 or 4.49% in 2027. SJW also seeks authority for recovery of \$9,484,925 for its balancing account and recovery of \$10,202,519 for its memorandum account via a surcharge of \$0.4599/Ccf (1 Ccf = 748 gallons) beginning 2025 for 36 months or until recovered.

If the CPUC approves this application, SJW will recover forecasted costs in rates over a 3-year period beginning January 1, 2025. This will increase your bill.

Why is San Jose Water requesting this rate increase?

SJW has been providing safe and reliable water service for more than 150 years and many of the facilities used for water service have reached the end of their useful lives. SJW is proposing this rate increase due to escalating operating expenses, including costs for employees and benefits, and infrastructure replacements.

Infrastructure improvements are necessary to maintain safe and reliable water service. These improvements include water main and well replacements, enhancements to pumping stations and well fields, as well as water tank upgrades and replacements throughout SJW’s 140-square-miles of service area.

How could this affect my water bill?

If SJW’s rate request is approved by the CPUC, the average residential bill with a 3/4-inch meter using 10 Ccf per month would increase by approximately \$13.18 (or 12.3%) per billing period, from \$107.44 at present rates to \$120.62 in 2025, by \$4.82 (or 4 %) to \$125.44 in 2026, and by \$5.68 (or 4.5 %) to \$131.12 in 2027. These rates include current and requested surcharges and fees. **The amounts shown on your water bill may vary from the dollar amounts shown above due to temporary credits or surcharges in effect.**

METERED SERVICE CHARGE RATE IMPACT

	2023 (Current)	2025 (Proposed)	Increase	2026 (Proposed)	Increase	2027 (Proposed)	Increase
5/8	\$52.97	\$70.44	33.0%	\$73.23	4.0%	\$76.51	4.5%
3/4	\$52.97	\$70.44	33.0%	\$73.23	4.0%	\$76.51	4.5%
1	\$88.32	\$117.40	32.9%	\$122.05	4.0%	\$127.52	4.5%
1 1/2	\$176.64	\$234.79	32.9%	\$244.10	4.0%	\$255.04	4.5%
2	\$282.61	\$375.66	32.9%	\$390.57	4.0%	\$408.07	4.5%
3	\$529.89	\$704.37	32.9%	\$732.31	4.0%	\$765.13	4.5%
4	\$883.14	\$1,173.95	32.9%	\$1,220.52	4.0%	\$1,275.22	4.5%
6	\$1,766.31	\$2,347.90	32.9%	\$2,441.65	4.0%	\$2,550.44	4.5%
8	\$2,826.10	\$3,756.65	32.9%	\$3,906.33	4.0%	\$4,080.70	4.5%
10	\$4,062.49	\$5,400.18	32.9%	\$5,615.38	4.0%	\$5,866.00	4.5%

PER CCF RATE IMPACT

	Present Rates	2025 Rates	Change	2026 Rates	Change	2027 Rates	Change
Residential Usage (With 2" Meter or Less)							
0 to 6 Ccf	\$4.73	\$4.19	-11.4%	\$4.36	4.0%	\$4.56	4.6%
6+ to 12 Ccf	\$6.52	\$6.26	-4.0%	\$6.51	4.0%	\$6.81	4.6%
12+ and Above	\$9.75	\$11.95	22.6%	\$12.43	4.0%	\$13.00	4.6%
All Other Customer Usage (Ccf)	\$6.52	\$6.26	-4.0%	\$6.51	4.0%	\$6.81	4.6%

How does the rest of this process work?

This application has been assigned to a CPUC Administrative Law Judge who will consider proposals and evidence presented during the formal hearing process. The Administrative Law Judge will issue a proposed decision that may adopt San Jose Water's application, modify it, or deny it. Any CPUC Commissioner may sponsor an alternate decision with a different outcome. The proposed decision, and any alternate decisions, will be discussed and voted upon by the CPUC Commissioners at a public CPUC Voting Meeting.

Parties to the proceeding may review SJW's application, including the Public Advocates Office, which is an independent consumer advocate within the CPUC that represents customers to obtain the lowest possible rate for service consistent with reliable and safe service levels. For more information about the Public Advocates Office, please call **(415) 703-1584**, email **PublicAdvocatesOffice@cpuc.ca.gov**, or visit **PublicAdvocates.cpuc.ca.gov**.

Where can I get more information?

SAN JOSE WATER

Phone: **(408) 279-7900**

Email: **customer.service@sjwater.com**

Mail: 110 W. Taylor Street
San Jose, CA 95110-2131

A copy of the application and any related documents may also be reviewed at:

www.sjwater.com/GRC2025.



CPUC'S PUBLIC ADVISOR'S OFFICE

To make comments or view documents related to this proceeding, visit **apps.cpuc.ca.gov/c/A2401001**. If you have questions about CPUC processes, you may contact the CPUC's Public Advisor's Office at:

Phone: **(866) 849-8390**

Email: **Public.Advisor@cpuc.ca.gov**

Mail: CPUC Public Advisor's Office
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San Francisco, CA 94102

Please reference **Application 24-01-001** in any communications you have with the CPUC regarding this matter.