

# Big Basin Water Company

## NOTICE OF PROPOSED RATE INCREASE

By Advice Letter No. 83-W, dated December 20, 2022, **Big Basin Water Company** (BBWC) requests authority from the CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION (Commission) to increase its water rates by a total of \$271,613 or 55.59% over current general rate revenues. BBWC's last general rate increase was authorized on July 12, 2014, pursuant to Commission Resolution W-4985. The proposed rate increase (to be implemented in test year 2023 and escalation year 2024) is necessary to offset increased operating expenses and to provide a reasonable rate of return on utility plant investments.

The CPUC staff will hold a public meeting on April 3, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. at

Boulder Creek Fire Department  
13230 Central Avenue  
Boulder Creek, CA 95006

to explain the increase process and receive public input.

BBWC proposes to increase rates as follows:

### **MONTHLY METERED WATER SERVICE:**

	<b><u>Per Meter Present Rates</u></b>	<b><u>Per Meter Proposed Rates</u></b>	
<b><u>Quantity Rate:</u></b>		TY 2023	EY 2024
For all water delivered, per 100 cu. Ft.	\$ 3.73	\$ 4.67	\$ 5.60
<b><u>Service Charge:</u></b>			
For 5/8 x 3/4-inch meter	\$ 36.57	\$ 47.64	\$ 58.70
For 3/4-inch meter	\$ 54.86	\$ 71.46	\$ 88.05
For 1-inch meter	\$ 91.42	\$ 119.09	\$ 146.76
For 1 1/2-inch meter	\$ 182.72	\$ 238.12	\$ 293.51
For 2-inch meter	\$ 314.62	\$ 392.12	\$ 469.62
For 3-inch meter	\$ 548.28	\$ 714.41	\$ 880.53

The Service Charge is a readiness to serve charge which is applicable to all metered service and to which is added the monthly charge computed at Quantity Rate.

Commission staff will conduct a thorough investigation of the utility's request. Following the investigation, the Commission may grant the utility's request in whole or in part or may deny it. It may also order the utility to charge rates different from those shown in this notice.

California law requires the company to show to the Commission's satisfaction that an increase is justified before it may raise its rates. Customers who would like to call to the Commission's attention any problems concerning their water service, or who would like to provide any other information or comments regarding this requested increase should write to the Commission.

There are two ways to respond to this notice. You may send a **protest** to the Commission and, if you do, you must send a copy of the protest to BBWC, or you can send a **response** to the Commission with a copy to the utility at your discretion.

**PROTEST AND RESPONSES:**

A protest is a document objecting to the granting in whole or in part of the authority sought in this advice letter filing. A response is a document that does not object to the authority sought, but nevertheless present information that the party tendering the response believes would be useful to the Commission in acting on the request.

A protest must be mailed within 20 days of the date of this notice. A protest must state the facts constituting the grounds for the protest, the effect that approval of the advice letter might have on the protestant and the reasons the protestant believes the advice letter or part of it is not justified. If the protest requests an evidentiary hearing, the protest must state the facts the protestant would present at an evidentiary hearing to support its request for whole or partial denial of the advice letter. The utility must respond to a **protest** within five (5) business days.

All protests or responses to this filing should be sent to both of the following addresses and should mention that they pertain **Big Basin Water Company, AL 83-W 2023 General Rate Case.**

**California Public Utilities,  
Commission, Water Division**  
505 Van Ness Avenue  
San Francisco, CA 94102  
Email: [Water.Division@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:Water.Division@cpuc.ca.gov)

**and**

**Big Basin Water Company**  
**Att'n: Jim Moore**  
P.O. Box 197  
Boulder Creek, CA 95006  
Email: [sjm16595@gmail.com](mailto:sjm16595@gmail.com)

Comments must be sent no later than twenty (20) days after the date of this notice was sent.

If you have not received a reply to your protest from the utility within ten (10) business days, you may contact BBWC at (831) 818-4477.

A copy of BBWC's Advice Letter No. 83-W filing may be mailed to you by calling (831) 818-4477.

Further information may be obtained from the utility at its business office or from the Commission at the above address.

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