

## 2024 WATER RATE INFORMATION

### 2024 Water Rates for water service from April 1, 2024, through October 31, 2024:

Fixed Charge Per Acre: \$44.05 per irrigated acre

Volumetric Charge Per A/F: \$9.05 per acre foot for the crop being grown  
(see enclosed applied unit duty chart)

**Any water used before April 1 or after October 31 is subject to additional charges.**

**Payment schedule:** 40% due with application; 30% due June 1, 2024; 30% due August 1, 2024

The 2024 water application deadline is April 5, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. Late applications are subject to a 5% late penalty except in cases where the application is paid in full at the time of application. Water will not be delivered without an application, required signature form(s) and appropriate payment.

Returned check charge is \$25.00.

Past due accounts (over 15 days late) will be charged interest at the rate of 1.5% per month (18% per year).

### **Standby Charge:**

The Standby Charge of \$6.00 per deeded acre will be due on June 1, 2024, and delinquent if not paid by June 15, 2024.

**Penalties for Waste of Water and Unauthorized Use of Water:** If the water user is wasting water, either willfully, carelessly, negligently, or due to defective private conduits, the District will limit, discontinue, or refuse the delivery of water until the wasteful conditions are remedied in accordance with the District's *Rules and Regulations* (Rule 7.3 Penalties and Enforcement of Unauthorized Use of Water).

Penalty actions for unauthorized use of water are set forth as follows:

Tier 1: Lock and Tag Gates

Tier 2: \$1,000 fine and report to the Board of Directors

Tier 3: \$2,000 fine for each succeeding offense and report to the Board of Directors for additional action including possible termination of water service.

### **Construction Water:**

Construction water rate is \$.50 per 1,000 gallons, with a \$500.00 minimum charge.

### **Definitions and Clarifications:**

Fields may not be flooded in excess of six inches deep as measured from the highest point of the field (with an exception for cultural practices for organic rice).

Water users are to make every effort to manage irrigation timing to allow flow adjustments to occur as early as possible during the water operations worker's normal work hours. Water operations workers are to perform all flow adjustments that occur after their normal work hours. If a water operations worker is called out to make a flow adjustment after normal work hours, the water user will be charged a \$100 fee for after-hours service.

Islands within the District will be served only after approval by the Board of Directors and will be charged double the normal water rate.

Winter Water for duck ponds or rice straw decomposition will now be defined by the period of delivery. The delivery options are (1) October service only; (2) service from November 1 through January 6; (3) service from October through January 6, or (4) a single irrigation at any time during the winter water period.