



## SEWER RATES

Your wastewater’s journey from your home through the sewers to a local treatment facility and back out into the environment is complex.

Western has established several sewer service areas based upon the treatment facility and the collection system used to serve customers. The rates are calculated to proportionately allocate the operations, maintenance and capital replacement costs of providing service to each customer class according to their sewer service area. Customers are billed a fixed amount each month.

### Residential customers

The rates for residential customers are based on an equivalent dwelling unit (EDU). One EDU is the quantity of wastewater an average single-family residential customer contributes to the sewer system. Each residential home is assigned one EDU.

### Commercial customers

Commercial customers are assigned EDUs based on their expected peak wastewater flows relative to an average single-family residential customer. Schools are assigned EDUs based on the number of students and a set number of gallons of wastewater discharged per student per day. Commercial, industrial and institutional EDU amounts can be found on the customer’s billing statement.

	RATES			
	Effective with sewer service billed on or after:			
	07/01/21	07/01/22	07/01/23	07/01/24
<b>La Sierra Sewer Rate (Rate per EDU, per month)</b>				
Residential/Commercial	\$51.91	\$53.47	\$55.07	\$56.72
Residential with Maintenance**	\$56.91	\$58.47	\$60.07	\$61.72

\*\*Certain residential properties in Tracts 20782 and 28956 have private sewer pipelines that are maintained by Western pursuant to a written agreement with the original property developer. The \$5.00 maintenance charge is an agreed upon term and is not subject to Proposition 218, and is reflected in this table for the convenience of the property owners.

### Pass-through provision

The sewer rates and charges are based on current and estimated future rates and charges to be imposed on Western by our sewer treatment providers. If the actual rates and charges imposed on Western by our sewer treatment providers are higher than the estimated amounts, then Western is proposing to pass through to our customers the incremental difference by increasing the rates of the sewer charge. Such increases, if any, will not exceed 12 percent per year, and in no event will such rates be increased by more than the cost of providing sewer service.