

RESOLUTION NO. 518

A RESOLUTION OF INTENTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CRESTLINE VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT TO INCREASE WATER RATES, SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING DATE FOR AUGUST 18, 2026 AND DIRECTING STAFF TO PROCEED WITH MAILING NOTICES TO ALL PROPERTY OWNERS AND WATER CUSTOMERS IN THE DISTRICT

WHEREAS, without additional revenue, the District will not have sufficient resources to sustain operations, perform preventative maintenance, and fund capital improvements necessary to ensure reliable, secure, and adequate water supply to its residents and businesses; and

WHEREAS, on June 16, 2026, the District staff presented to this Board of Directors a financial forecast and water rate study (“Study”) that shows the optimal funding needed for continued sustainable operation of the District, and recommends amending the District’s rate schedule currently in place by increasing the minimum monthly charge based on connection size to properly align each connection with the cost of service, and increasing the consumption charge to provide revenue recovery sufficient to cover expenses. These changes are necessary to eliminate the net operating loss before depreciation that the District has experienced over the last three years and avoid operating losses in future years covered by the study; and

WHEREAS, the increases to the District’s water rate schedules will help ensure the health and safety of the community, while protecting the District’s financial health; and

WHEREAS, following the procedures required by Proposition 218, Article XIII D, Section 6 of the California Constitution and Sections 53750 - 53758 of the Government Code, the District Board of Directors intends to adopt the increases as proposed by the Study.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Crestline Village Water District does hereby resolve as follows:

1. The foregoing recitals are true and correct.
2. The District hereby initiates proceedings to adopt an increase to the minimum monthly charge and the consumption charge as follows:

Year 1 Monthly Minimum Charge:

- 5/8 x 3/4” Connection - \$38.00
- 3/4” Connection - \$40.00
- 1” Connection - \$45.00
- 1” Residential Fire Service Connection - \$47.00
- 2” Connection - \$75.00
- 3” Connection - \$100.00
- 4” Connection - \$150.00.

Year 1 Consumption Charge:

Tier 1 - \$6.00

Tier 2 - \$10.00

Both minimum monthly charges and consumption charges will increase as follow in years two through five of the study:

Year 2 – 4%

Year 3 – 4%

Year 4 – 3%

Year 5 – 3%

3. This Board of Directors hereby fixes the 18th day of August, 2026 at 3:00 pm at the District Board Room, 777 Cottonwood Drive, Crestline, California, as the time and place for a public hearing (“Public Hearing”) on the proposed increase to the Monthly Minimum Charge in the District’s water rate.

4. The District General Manager and Secretary is hereby instructed to provide notice of the proposed increases to the District’s water rate schedules in conformity with Proposition 218, Article XIII D, Section 6 of the California Constitution and Sections 53750 - 53758 of the Government Code.

5. At the Public Hearing, the Board of Directors shall consider all objections or protests, if any, to the proposed increase to the Monthly Minimum Charge in the District’s water rate, and any person shall be permitted to present written or oral testimony. Although oral comments at the Public Hearing will not qualify as a formal written protest, the Board of Directors welcomes community input during the Public Hearing.

6. At the conclusion of the Public Hearing, all protests submitted will be tabulated by the District General Manager and Secretary. A protest shall only be deemed valid if it meets all of the following requirements.

- Owners of record of parcels with an active water service and/or registered water service customers may submit protests.
- All protests must BE IN WRITING and include a printed name, a parcel address or APN, a signature, and an indication that the document is a protest to the proposed increase to the Monthly Minimum Charge in the District’s water rate.
- All protests must be delivered to the District General Manager and Secretary by mail or personal delivery, but not by fax or email, PRIOR to the conclusion of the Public Hearing.
- All protests received prior to the start of the Public Hearing will be opened prior to the hearing; all protests received before the close of the Public Hearing will be opened after the close of the Public Hearing, but before action is taken by the Board of Directors.
- Any and all protests may be disclosed as public records once opened.
- Any and all protests may be withdrawn before the close of the Public Hearing.

- All protests will be considered valid if it is manifestly clear that there are insufficient protests to constitute a majority protest. However, the District reserves the right to validate any and all protests received.
- Only one written protest per parcel with an active water service, filed by an owner or registered water service customer/tenant of the parcel, shall be counted in calculating a majority protest.

7. A majority protest exists if written protests are submitted by property owners/water service customers in opposition to the proposed increase to the Monthly Minimum Charge in the District's water rate by a majority (50% plus 1) of parcels with an active water service.

8. If there is a majority protest against the adoption of the proposed increases to the District's water rate schedules, the Board of Directors shall not adopt the proposed increase.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Crestline Village Water District held the 16th day of June, 2026.

By: _____
President, Board of Directors

ATTEST:

Secretary, Board of Directors