

# Drought Contingency Plan

Proposed Changes

# Drought Surcharge

Implemented November 2024

	NOV		DEC		JAN		FEB	
	#	TOTAL AMT BILLED	#	TOTAL AMT BILLED	#	TOTAL AMT BILLED	#	TOTAL AMT BILLED
Commercial	25	\$15,314.49	26	\$11,574.63	26	\$17,365.89	27	\$13,610.25
Residential	1428	\$8,639.55	1426	\$6,454.02	1417	\$10,817.19	1422	\$8,257.53
<b>TOTAL BILLED</b>		<b>\$23,954.04</b>		<b>\$18,028.65</b>		<b>\$28,183.08</b>		<b>\$21,867.78</b>

# Exclusion from the drought surcharge

We propose that the following be excluded from drought surcharges:

- Nursing homes / assisted living facilities
- Emergency services locations (Fire/ESD)
- Medical facilities – healthcare providers

Consider exclusion from drought surcharge for City Accounts

- Accounts that usually meet the surcharge requirement are the Pool, the Park, Lion's Park sports fields, MV Youth Baseball fields and the Wastewater Treatment Plant.
- MV Youth Baseball
  - Currently City paid account
  - Traditionally exceeds the water usage threshold for the drought surcharge – 2024 the average usage was 180,000 gallons per month

# Water Usage

Medical, Nursing Home/Assisted Living, Emergency  
(since surcharge implemented in November)

<b>MEDICAL FACILITIES (doctors, dentists, optometrists,)</b>		<b>NOV</b>	<b>DEC</b>	<b>JAN</b>	<b>FEB</b>
409 Madrid	Van Winkle, Dr.	3	3	3	6
1014 Pairs	SAOMSA (dental)	2	1	2	3
1313 Petersburg	Medina Family Dental	4	4	4	6
1051 Hwy 90 E	Jaafar, Dr.	5	5	4	6
1501 Houston	Alsation Care Enterprises	8	7	8	7
405 Paris	Medina, Dr.	2	1	2	1
1002 Madrid	Town Square Dental	2	2	1	1
8406 FM 471 S	Medical Clinic of Castroville*	5	4	4	5
	<i>Note: 2 buildings/2 meters/1 address</i>	13	13	17	20

<b>NURSING HOMES/ ASSISTED LIVING</b>		<b>NOV</b>	<b>DEC</b>	<b>JAN</b>	<b>FEB</b>
501 Madrid	Le Parc	16	20	32	33
913 Hwy 90 W	MVHealth & Rehab	516	526	634	530
1687 Old Hwy 90 W	Changing Seasons	17	15	15	13

<b>EMERGENCY SERVICES</b>		<b>NOV</b>	<b>DEC</b>	<b>JAN</b>	<b>FEB</b>
807 Paris	Medina Co ESD# 1/Sta. 10 Annex	0	0	0	0
800 Madrid	Station 10 Fire/EMS	7	8	7	7

Only the nursing home/assisted living facilities met the usage threshold in any of the four months for the Stage 4/5 threshold of 40,000 gallons of usage. We did not charge them the drought surcharge

# Healthcare providers/facility types

1. **Clinics and Medical Offices:** Provide primary and specialized care, often for outpatient services.
2. **Urgent Care Centers:** Provide immediate medical care for non-life-threatening conditions.
3. **Rehabilitation Centers:** Help patients recover from injuries or illnesses through physical and occupational therapy.
4. **Nursing Homes:** Provide long-term care for individuals who need assistance with daily activities.
5. **Hospitals:** Offer a wide range of medical, surgical, psychiatric, and social services to patients.
6. **Ambulatory Surgical Centers (ASCs):** Focus on providing same-day surgical care, including diagnostic and preventive procedures, outside of a hospital setting.
7. **Mental Health and Addiction Treatment Centers:** Offer specialized care for individuals with mental health conditions or substance use disorders.
8. **Birth Centers:** Provide a more natural and family-centered approach to childbirth.
9. **Hospice Care Facilities:** Provide palliative care and support for individuals with terminal illnesses.
10. **Dialysis Facilities:** Offer specialized care for individuals with kidney failure.
11. **Imaging and Radiology Centers:** Provide diagnostic imaging services, such as X-rays and MRIs.
12. **Long-Term Care Facilities:** Provide long-term care services for individuals with chronic conditions or disabilities.
13. **Specialized Outpatient Services:** Include services like hemodialysis, dentistry, podiatry, and chemotherapy.

# Water Usage - City Accounts

(since surcharge implemented  
with November usage)

We did not charge them  
the drought surcharge  
and implemented the  
surcharge for residential  
and commercial  
accounts only pending  
council decision  
regarding exclusions

Location	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB
City Hall/Well #2	14	15	31	3
City of Castroville Library	3	1	1	2
City of Castroville Pool	128	208	0	914
Cross Hill Tank	17	24	23	420
CV Lift Station	3	0	0	0
Houston Square	34	0	25	44
Lion's Pk - Soccer Field	185	65	13	23
Lion's Pk - Splash Pad	0	0	4	0
Park Irrigation	17	210	17	21
Park Wall Spigot	0	0	0	0
PD Bldg	2	2	1	2
Public Works	3	3	3	4
September Square	0	0	0	0
Shalom House	2	3	1	3
Steinbach Hse	2	1	1	0
Airport Office Bldg	2	4	2	3
Airport Public Restroom	1	0	1	0
MV Youth Baseball	69	82	* 4	170

\* off due to leak

# Car Wash Facility Drought Surcharge

- Our current version of INCODE does not have the capability for tiered surcharges
- Only two car wash facilities currently exist in city
- Usage between the two is disparate
  - Castroville Car Wash is self-serve
  - Pumphouse (existing) is automated system combined with some self-serve bays – does have recycle system
    - In process of building new facility in conjunction with current (already permitted)
    - New facility does include recycle system

<b>Car Wash Facilities</b>	<b>NOV</b>	<b>DEC</b>	<b>JAN</b>	<b>FEB</b>
Castroville Car Wash	59	55	48	59
Surcharge	\$149.91	\$118.35	\$63.12	\$149.91
Pumphouse	300	287	262	348
Surcharge	\$2,051.40	\$1,948.83	\$1,751.58	\$2,430.12