

NOTICE TO RECORD OWNERS OF PROPERTY WITHIN THE DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors (the "Board") of the Fresno Irrigation District (the "District") proposes to increase the assessment rate on affected lands within the District.

An assessment rate increase is being proposed to improve the delivery of surface water to property owners within the District, construct facilities for groundwater recharge to help progress toward sustainability required by the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA), and defend and protect the District's water rights. This requires a per-acre assessment increase for each rate classification as shown in the table below. The assessment rate will remain at the 2028 level unless another increase is approved by affected property owners. The increase in assessments will affect the following rate classifications: water service, groundwater service (underground water service), pump from ditch, and lift pump by District.

For voting purposes, each acre in the APN will count as one vote (e.g. 10 acres = 10 votes). The proposed increase that will affect your property is calculated by multiplying the number of acres you own by the proposed assessment rate increase for the specific year shown in the table below for water service rate.

Current Rate and Proposed Increase by Year for each Rate Classification (\$/acre)				
	Water Service	Underground Water Service	Pump from Ditch	Lift Pump by District
Current	\$53.76	\$38.78	\$47.10	\$62.08
Year	Proposed Increase per Year			
2024	\$35.24	\$25.42	\$30.87	\$40.69
2025	10.00	7.21	8.76	11.55
2026	10.00	7.21	8.76	11.55
2027	10.00	7.21	8.76	11.55
2028	9.75	7.03	8.54	11.26
Total Increase	\$74.99	\$54.09	\$65.70	\$86.60

A public hearing on the proposed assessment rate increase will be held on June 8, 2023, at 3:00 p.m. at Fresno Irrigation District located at 2907 S. Maple Avenue in Fresno, California. At this public hearing, there will be an opportunity for the Board of Directors to hear landowner comments on this proposal and all protests against the proposed assessment rates will be considered.

Please review and complete your enclosed ballot. The enclosed ballot includes your name and APN of the parcel to which the ballot applies. You will receive a ballot for each parcel affected by the increase and will need to return each of them to be counted. If one parcel has multiple rate classifications for separate portions of the acreage of that APN, you will receive separate ballots for each of the respective portions of that APN. Please indicate whether or not you support the proposed assessment rate increase. After completion, please return each ballot by mail in the enclosed prepaid envelope (must be delivered to the P.O. Box identified on the envelope no later than June 8, 2023), or hand-delivered and placed in the secured ballot box at the District office before the end of the public hearing. The ballots returned by mail will be collected and tabulated along with any ballots returned to the District office before or during the public hearing. Any ballot received after the conclusion of the public hearing on June 8th will not be counted.

The ballots will be tabulated on June 8, 2023, at the end of the public hearing. If the number of votes on ballots submitted in opposition to the proposed assessment rate increases exceed the number of votes on ballots submitted in favor (weighted according to the acres per APN and proposed assessment rate increase), the Board will not impose the proposed increase.