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June 17, 2025

TO: Rio Dell City Council

FROM: Kyle Knopp, City Manager

SUBJECT: Annual Adjustment to Solid Waste Franchise Agreement Held by Recology Eel River

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

Approve the proposed rate adjustment with Recology Eel River and accept it as an amendment to the Solid Waste and Recycling Franchise Agreement, effective July 1, 2025.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

The Solid Waste Franchise Agreement for the City of Rio Dell is with Recology Eel River (RER).

As documented in the packet and submitted by Recology, the new overall disposal rate per ton is \$176.73 up from \$162.66 and \$152.46 during the prior two years. This equates to an 8.6 percent increase from the prior year. The CPI increase calculation for the year is an increase of 3 percent. The CPI calculation only impacts the portion of the rates associated with Recology. It is important to note that fees associated with the Humboldt Waste Management Authority (HWMA) represent the bulk of both the increase and overall per ton tipping fee. Roughly 91% of the per ton fee is HWMA related, and 9% is related to the solid waste collection franchise agreement with Recology. The current franchise agreement expires on December 31, 2026.

Fred from Recology will be available to present and answer questions.

Attachments:

Recology Eel River Cover Attachments.

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City of Rio Dell
Disposal Rates per Ton
Exhibit A-1

	2023		2024		2025	
	<u>CPI</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>CPI</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>CPI</u>	<u>\$</u>
ERD FEES						
ERD Labor Cost	6.4%		3.1%		3.0%	
ERD Operation	0.41	\$ 8.60	0.17	\$ 8.78	0.18	\$ 8.95
ERD Scale Maintenance	0.25	5.34	0.11	5.44	0.11	5.55
ERD Haul Cost Avoidance	0.04	0.94	0.02	0.96	0.02	0.98
ERD Capital Cost	(0.62)	(13.04)	(0.26)	(13.30)	(0.27)	(13.56)
ERD Return on Investment	Pass-Through	5.88		5.88		5.88
	75% of CPI	8.14	0.16	8.30	0.17	8.47
Total ERD Fees	0.39				0.20	
	\$ 0.48	\$ 15.87	\$ 0.20	\$ 16.07	\$ 0.20	\$ 16.27
HWMA FEES ⁽¹⁾						
Operations	Pass-Through	\$ 87.57		\$ 92.29		\$ 94.33
Payroll	Pass-Through	26.96		30.02		39.35
HHW Program	Pass-Through	7.68		10.02		11.05
County/City Recycling Programs	Pass-Through	1.93		1.87		2.06
Table Bluff Maintenance	Pass-Through	0.74		0.74		0.85
County LEA	Pass-Through	3.13		3.13		3.35
Cleanup Fees	Pass-Through	0.68		0.66		0.67
Cummings Landfill Maintenance Monitoring	Pass-Through	0.96		0.93		1.03
Edible Food Recovery	Pass-Through	0.38		0.36		0.40
County Rural Container Subsidy	Pass-Through	4.84		4.84		5.59
Administration	Pass-Through	0.57		0.58		0.63
Fortuna Host fee	Pass-Through	1.15		1.15		1.15
Total HWMA Fees		\$ 136.59		\$ 146.60		\$ 160.46
Total Disposal Rate per Ton		\$ 152.46		\$ 162.66		\$ 176.73
		27.00%		6.70%		8.65%

City of Rio Dell CPI Table

CPI-All Urban Consumers (Current Series)
Original Data Value

Series Id: CUUR00000SA0
Not Seasonally Adjusted
Series Title: All items in U.S. city average, all urban
Area: U.S. city average
Item: All items
Base Period: 1982-84=100
Years: 2009-2025

Year	Jan to Jan														Change
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	HALF1	HALF2	
2009	211.143	212.193	212.709	213.240	213.856	215.693	215.351	215.834	215.969	216.177	216.330	215.949	213.139	215.935	
2010	216.687	216.741	217.631	218.009	218.178	217.965	218.011	218.312	218.439	218.711	218.803	219.179	217.535	218.576	
2011	220.223	221.309	223.467	224.906	225.964	225.722	225.922	226.545	226.889	226.421	226.230	225.672	223.598	226.280	
2012	226.665	227.663	229.392	230.085	229.815	229.478	229.104	230.379	231.407	231.317	230.221	229.601	228.850	230.338	
2013	230.280	232.166	232.773	232.531	232.945	233.504	233.596	233.877	234.149	233.546	233.069	233.049	232.366	233.548	
2014	233.916	234.781	236.293	237.072	237.900	238.343	238.250	237.852	238.031	237.433	236.151	234.812	236.384	237.088	
2015	233.707	234.722	236.119	236.599	237.805	238.638	238.654	238.316	237.945	237.838	237.336	236.525	236.265	237.769	
2016	236.916	237.111	238.132	239.261	240.229	241.018	240.628	240.849	241.428	241.729	241.353	241.432	238.778	241.237	
2017	242.839	243.603	243.801	244.524	244.733	244.955	244.786	245.519	246.819	246.663	246.669	246.524	244.076	246.163	
2018	247.867	248.991	249.554	250.546	251.588	251.989	252.006	252.146	252.439	252.885	252.038	251.233	250.089	252.1245	
2019	251.712	252.776	254.202	255.548	256.092	256.143	256.571	256.558	256.759	257.346	257.208	256.974	254.412	256.903	
2020	257.971	258.678	258.115	56.389	256.394	257.797	259.101	259.918	260.28	260.388	260.229	260.474	257.557	260.065	
2021	261.582	263.014	264.877	267.054	269.195	271.696	273.003	273.567	274.31	276.589	277.948	278.802	266.236	275.703	
2022	281.148	283.716	287.504	289.109	292.296	296.311	296.276	296.171	296.808	298.012	297.711	296.797	288.347	296.963	
2023	299.17	300.84	301.836	303.363	304.127	305.109	305.691	307.026	307.789	307.671	307.051	306.746	302.408	306.996	
2024	308.417	310.326	312.332	313.548	314.069	314.175	314.54	314.796	315.301	315.664	315.493	315.605	312.145	315.233	
2025	317.671	319.082												3.0%	

City of Rio Dell
RCY Processing Costs Rate Year 2024-2025
Exhibit C-1

	2024		2025	
	2023 Actual	Projected	2024 Actual	Projected
RCY Processing Fee	\$ 110.97	\$ 125.28	\$ 125.28	\$ 153.79
Rio Dell Annual RCY Tons	209.32	209.32	191.10	191.10
RCY Charges for Rate Year	\$ 23,228	\$ 26,224	\$ 23,941	\$ 29,389
Franchise Fee	<u>1,223</u>	<u>1,380</u>	<u>1,260</u>	<u>1,547</u>
Total RCY Charges for Rate Year	\$ 24,451	\$ 27,604	\$ 25,201	\$ 30,936
Less: Collected	(19,005)	NA	(32,614)	NA
Plus: Carry Over	<u>(182)</u>	<u>5,264</u>	<u>5,264</u>	<u>(2,149)</u>
Total Owed for Rate Year	\$ 5,264	\$ 32,868	\$ (2,149)	\$ 28,787
Rio Dell Annual Revenues (before RCY Processing)	\$ 559,471	\$ 640,480	\$ 602,926	\$ 654,131
Recycling Processing % Revenues	5.13%		4.40%	

<u>Size</u>	<u>Ton</u> ⁽¹⁾	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Rate/</u> <u>container</u>	<u>Monthly</u> <u>Rate</u>	<u>Rate with</u> <u>Franchise</u> <u>Fee</u> ⁽²⁾	<u>Monthly</u> <u>Rate with</u> <u>Franchise</u> <u>Fee</u> ⁽²⁾
20 Gallon	0.0100	\$ 176.73	\$ 1.77	\$ 7.66	\$ 1.86	\$ 8.06
32 Gallon	0.0160	176.73	2.83	12.25	2.98	12.90
40 Gallon	0.0200	176.73	3.53	15.32	3.72	16.12
64 Gallon	0.0320	176.73	5.66	24.50	5.96	25.80
1 Cu. Yd.	0.1010	176.73	17.85	77.34	18.79	81.42
1.5 Cu. Yd.	0.1515	176.73	26.77	116.01	28.18	122.13
2 Cu. Yd.	0.2020	176.73	35.70	154.68	37.58	162.84
3 Cu. Yd.	0.3030	176.73	53.55	232.03	56.37	244.26
4 Cu. Yd.	0.4040	176.73	71.40	309.37	75.16	325.67
6 Cu. Yd.	0.6060	176.73	107.10	464.05	112.74	488.51
8 Cu. Yd.	0.8080	176.73	142.80	618.74	150.32	651.35

(1) 1 lb. per Gallon ;202 lbs. per Cu. Yd.

(2) Frachise fee 5% of gross revenues.