



General Manager's Report Item 15:

Update on User Fee Implementation Schedule

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Postcard Notice Mailed February 18

DECISION AUTHORIZING CALIFORNIA-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY TO RESUME USER FEE COLLECTION AND REMITTANCES

Within the next 30 days, your bill from Cal-Am will include a User Fee imposed by the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District ("MPWMD"). While the amount of the User Fee MPWMD will assess to you will be equal to 8.325% of the water charges billed by Cal-Am, the User Fee is not a charge by Cal-Am but is a government fee collected by Cal-Am on behalf of MPWMD. The MPWMD User Fee previously appeared on Cal-Am bills from 1983 to 2009 but collection was interrupted between 2009–2016 due to regulatory and court proceedings. MPWMD employs revenues from the User Fee for a variety of programs, including funding its environmental mitigation, water supply, conservation and other activities. More information with regard to MPWMD and its User Fee may be found at www.mpwmd.net or by contacting Suresh Prasad at suresh@mpwmd.net or by telephone at **831-658-5600**.

Resumption of the MPWMD User Fee may result in a downward adjustment of the future rates charged by Cal-Am in amounts that are not presently known.

District Website Home Page

The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the homepage of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District. The browser's address bar shows the URL <http://www.mpwmd.net>. The website features a green header with the district's logo and navigation links for "Meeting & Events Calendar" and "Newsletter Signup". Below the header is a blue navigation bar with a search icon and menu items: Home, Who We Are, Water Supply, Environmental Stewardship, Conservation, Regulations, and Resources. The main content area has a large background image of a river at sunset with the text "Providing and Protecting Our Region's Water Supply". Underneath, a "Featured" section contains two articles: "District User Fee to be Reinstated" (dated 14 Feb 2017) and "Water Management District to Sponsor Landscape Irrigation Auditor Class".

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 District User Fee to be Reinstated
14 Feb 2017

 Water Management District to Sponsor Landscape Irrigation Auditor Class

District User Fee to be Reinstated

The California Public Utilities Commission has ordered California American Water to resume collection of the MPWMD User Fee on Cal-Am bills and remit the proceeds to the MPWMD. The fee will pay for a variety of programs, including funding its environmental mitigation, water supply, conservation, and other activities. As a result, existing surcharges shown on your bill as “Carmel River Mitigation Surcharge” and “MPWMD Cnsvn Surcharge” will be removed from customer bills.


On February 18, 2017, Cal-Am will begin mailing [notice of the User Fee collection](#) to its customers.

For additional information regarding the User Fee, [please click here](#).





Timeline for User Fee

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- February 17th Advice Letter 1152 filed by Cal-Am
 - February 18th Notification sent to Customers
 - March 18th User Fee should begin to appear on bills; Two other surcharges removed
 - April 18th District submits final invoices for reimbursed expenses
 - May District receives User Fee revenues