

## **Notice of Public Hearing Regarding Proposed Solid Waste Rate Increase**

### **Property Owners and Tenant - Customers:**

This notice is intended to inform you that Cayucos Sanitary District (“CSD”) will hold a public hearing regarding rate increases (the “Proposed Rate Increase”) proposed by Mission Country Disposal for properties and customers receiving solid waste, recycling, and green waste services within the CSD. The Proposed Rate Increase will be considered by the CSD Board of Directors (“Board”) at the date, time, and location specified below. Consistent with the requirements of Proposition 218, this notice also provides you with the following information:

- The date, time, and place of the Public Hearing;
- The reason for the Proposed Rate Increase;
- The basis for the Proposed Rate Increase; and
- The Majority Protest Procedures.

### **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**The Public Hearing for the Proposed Rate Increase within the CSD limits will be held remotely:**

**Date:** September 15, 2022

**Time:** 5:00 PM

**Join our meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone:**

<https://meet.goto.com/AmyLessi/csd-bod-regular-meeting-5>

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about how to join the remote meeting.**

**At the Public Hearing, the Board will consider all public comment in support of and in opposition to the Proposed Rate Increase and whether or not a Majority Protest exists pursuant to the California Constitution (as described below). If approved, the Proposed Rate Increase would become effective on October 1, 2022.**

### **Reason for the Proposed Rate Increase**

The Proposed Rate Increase for solid waste, recycling, and green waste/organics collection services is 43.30 %. Several factors contributed to this rate increase including, but not limited to increased costs associated with the purchase and operation of collection vehicles, fuel costs, labor costs, commingle processing fee costs and increased costs associated with the organics digester facility.

The organics digester facility is required by California Senate Bill 1383 (SB 1383), and previously approved California Assembly Bill 1826 (AB 1826). SB 1383 is a recent state law passed with the goal of reducing methane. Methane is a potent greenhouse gas, with more than 80 times the warming power of carbon dioxide, and is a major component of decomposing organic waste. In response to the harmful effects of methane gas, Cal Recycle (a branch of the California Environmental Protection Agency) adopted regulations implementing SB 1383 in the fall of 2020. Key components of SB 1383 include implementing organic waste collection programs (including food waste), monitoring organics carts for contamination, and reporting data. AB 1826 requires local jurisdictions to develop a program to divert organic waste from landfills to an authorized composting facility like an anaerobic digester.

## Basis of the Proposed Rate Increase

The Proposed Rate Increase of 43.30 % is based on the following cost increases incurred by Mission Country Disposal:

1. 6.48 % of the Proposed Rate Increase is for capital investment costs of new collection vehicles, replacement containers and additional containers to meet the demands of SB 1383 compliance.
2. 6.13 % of the Proposed Rate Increase is for increased capital equipment investments and escalating operating expenses related to the Anaerobic Digester.
3. 6.17 % of the Proposed Rate Increase is for market wage adjustments to attract and retain safe, quality employees.
4. 2.74 % of the Proposed Rate Increase is for increases in insurance premiums.
5. 2.52 % of the Proposed Rate Increase is for increased gas and oil costs.
6. 1.59 % of the Proposed Rate Increase is for increases in other operational expenses including a Consumer Price Index increase of 5.3 %.
7. 9.67 % of the Proposed Rate Increase is for recovery of the deficit in the revenue requirement.
8. 8.00 % of the Proposed Rate Increase is related to the allowed profit margin.

In addition, commencing on January 1, 2023 and January 1, 2024, rates shall be increased based on the Bureau of Labor Statistics' Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. City Average. The January 1, 2023 rate increase will be based on June 2022 CPI-U statistics. The January 1, 2024 rate increase will be based on June 2023 CPI-U statistics.

A copy of the 2022 Base Year Rate Adjustment Application, which provides additional information on the proposed rate increases, is available on the CSD website at [www.cayucossd.org](http://www.cayucossd.org) and at the CSD office located at 200 Ash Ave., Cayucos, CA.

## How Do I Protest the Proposed Rate Increase?

Pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIII D of the California Constitution, the following persons may submit a written protest against the Proposed Rate Increase to the District Manager before the close of the Public Hearing referenced above.

- An owner(s) of property (parcel(s)) receiving solid waste, recycling, and green waste services within the CSD limits. If the person(s) signing the protest, as an owner, is not shown on the last equalized assessment roll as the owner of the parcel(s) then the protest must contain or be accompanied by written evidence that such person signing the protest is the owner of the parcel(s) receiving services; or
- A tenant(s) whose name appears on Mission Country Disposal's records as the customer of record for the corresponding parcel receiving solid waste, recycling, and green waste services within the CSD limits (tenant-customer).

A valid written protest must contain a statement that you protest the Proposed Rate Increase, the address or Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) of the parcel or parcels which receive solid waste, recycling, and green waste services, and a signature by either the owner or the tenant-customer of the parcel or parcels. One written protest per parcel shall be counted in calculating a majority protest to the Proposed Rate Increase subject to the requirements of Section 6 of Article XIII D of the California Constitution. Written protests will not be accepted by e-mail or by facsimile. Verbal protests will not be counted in determining the existence of a majority protest. To be counted, a protest must be received in writing at the CSD office located at 200 Ash Ave., Cayucos, CA before the close of the Public Hearing referenced above.

Written protests regarding the solid waste rate increase may be mailed to:

**Cayucos Sanitary District  
Attn: District Manager  
PO Box 333  
Cayucos, CA 93430**

Written protests may also be personally delivered to the CSD office, located at 200 Ash Ave., Cayucos, CA.

If valid written protests are presented by a majority of owners and/or tenant-customers of parcels receiving solid waste, recycling, and green waste services within the CSD limits, then the CSD will not adjust/increase the rates for the services.

**MISSION COUNTRY DISPOSAL  
RATE INCREASE EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022  
CAYUCOS SANITARY DISTRICT**

<b>Service Description</b>	<b>Pickups Per Week</b>		<b>Current Monthly Rate Effective 1/1/2021</b>	<b>Proposed Rate Adjustment \$</b>	<b>Proposed Monthly Rate Effective 10/1/2022</b>
<b>RESIDENTIAL:</b>					
32 Gallon Waste Wheeler-Curb	1		<b>\$20.25</b>	\$8.77	<b>\$29.01</b>
64 Gallon Waste Wheeler-Curb	1		<b>\$23.92</b>	\$10.36	<b>\$34.28</b>
96 Gallon Waste Wheeler	1		<b>\$27.62</b>	\$11.96	<b>\$39.58</b>
Residential customers must use the waste wheelers provided by the garbage company. The solid waste residential service fee for trash collection (container with black or gray lid), includes once per week pick-up of one green waste/organics container (green lid) and one recycling container (blue lid).					
<b>RESIDENTIAL - OTHER CHARGES:</b>					
In Yard Service Wheeled	per month		<b>\$18.43</b>	\$7.98	<b>\$26.41</b>
Xtra Recycle 32 or 64 or 96 gal cart	per month		<b>\$2.16</b>	\$0.94	<b>\$3.10</b>
Xtra Greenwaste 32 or 96 gal cart	per month		<b>\$18.44</b>	\$7.98	<b>\$26.42</b>
Resi Trip Charge			<b>\$11.56</b>	\$5.01	<b>\$16.57</b>
Small Extra			<b>\$23.92</b>	\$10.36	<b>\$34.28</b>
Loose Cardboard			<b>\$9.36</b>	\$4.05	<b>\$13.41</b>
Restart Fee-Residential			<b>\$47.85</b>	\$20.72	<b>\$68.57</b>
White Goods			<b>\$45.26</b>	\$19.60	<b>\$64.86</b>
Garbage extras (per bag)			<b>\$10.30</b>	\$4.46	<b>\$14.76</b>
Recycling extras (per bag)			<b>\$5.16</b>	\$2.23	<b>\$7.39</b>
<b>APARTMENTS, TRIPLEX, DUPLEX</b>					
Rates are the same as commercial rates (below).					
<b>COMMERCIAL WASTE WHEELERS - ALL AREAS:</b>					
32 Gallon Waste Wheeler	1		<b>\$22.48</b>	\$9.73	<b>\$32.21</b>
32 Gallon Waste Wheeler	2		<b>\$38.41</b>	\$16.63	<b>\$55.04</b>
32 Gallon Waste Wheeler	3		<b>\$51.74</b>	\$22.40	<b>\$74.14</b>
64 Gallon Waste Wheeler	1		<b>\$25.07</b>	\$10.86	<b>\$35.93</b>
64 Gallon Waste Wheeler	2		<b>\$55.54</b>	\$24.05	<b>\$79.59</b>
64 Gallon Waste Wheeler	3		<b>\$73.03</b>	\$31.62	<b>\$104.65</b>

96 Gallon Waste Wheeler	1		<b>\$38.41</b>	\$16.63	<b>\$55.04</b>
96 Gallon Waste Wheeler	2		<b>\$65.05</b>	\$28.17	<b>\$93.22</b>
96 Gallon Waste Wheeler	3		<b>\$86.31</b>	\$37.37	<b>\$123.68</b>
Rates for all "Waste Wheeler Container Service" customers include recycling or green waste/organics pickup once-per-week. Customers can choose a 64 or 96 gallon blue waste wheeler once-per-week for commingled recycling, or 32 or 64 gallon organics green lid waste wheeler once per week for organics collections. More frequent than once-per-week pickup can be provided at 25% of the garbage service rate for the specified level of service required. Due to potential weight issues, organics is only collected in 32 or 64 gallon green lidded waste wheelers.					
<b>COMMERCIAL DUMPSTERS - ALL AREAS:</b>					
1 yd dumpster	1		<b>\$77.24</b>	\$33.44	<b>\$110.68</b>
1 yd dumpster	2		<b>\$125.14</b>	\$54.19	<b>\$179.33</b>
1 yd dumpster	3		<b>\$175.71</b>	\$76.08	<b>\$251.79</b>
1 yd dumpster	4		<b>\$220.98</b>	\$95.68	<b>\$316.66</b>
1 yd dumpster	5		<b>\$274.24</b>	\$118.75	<b>\$392.99</b>
1.5 yd dumpster	1		<b>\$98.53</b>	\$42.66	<b>\$141.19</b>
1.5 yd dumpster	2		<b>\$154.42</b>	\$66.86	<b>\$221.28</b>
1.5 yd dumpster	3		<b>\$223.66</b>	\$96.84	<b>\$320.50</b>
1.5 yd dumpster	4		<b>\$290.22</b>	\$125.67	<b>\$415.89</b>
1.5 yd dumpster	5		<b>\$338.16</b>	\$146.42	<b>\$484.58</b>
2 yd dumpster	1		<b>\$114.46</b>	\$49.56	<b>\$164.02</b>
2 yd dumpster	2		<b>\$178.38</b>	\$77.24	<b>\$255.62</b>
2 yd dumpster	3		<b>\$266.26</b>	\$115.29	<b>\$381.55</b>
2 yd dumpster	4		<b>\$356.80</b>	\$154.49	<b>\$511.29</b>
2 yd dumpster	5		<b>\$428.66</b>	\$185.61	<b>\$614.27</b>
2 yd dumpster	6		<b>\$485.22</b>	\$210.10	<b>\$695.32</b>
2 yd dumpster	7		<b>\$582.29</b>	\$252.13	<b>\$834.42</b>
3 yd dumpster	1		<b>\$171.72</b>	\$74.35	<b>\$246.07</b>
3 yd dumpster	2		<b>\$267.58</b>	\$115.86	<b>\$383.44</b>
3 yd dumpster	3		<b>\$399.38</b>	\$172.93	<b>\$572.31</b>
3 yd dumpster	4		<b>\$535.16</b>	\$231.72	<b>\$766.88</b>
3 yd dumpster	5		<b>\$642.97</b>	\$278.41	<b>\$921.38</b>
3 yd dumpster	6		<b>\$727.84</b>	\$315.15	<b>\$1,042.99</b>
3 yd dumpster	7		<b>\$873.42</b>	\$378.19	<b>\$1,251.61</b>
4 yd dumpster	1		<b>\$228.93</b>	\$99.13	<b>\$328.06</b>
4 yd dumpster	2		<b>\$356.73</b>	\$154.46	<b>\$511.19</b>
4 yd dumpster	3		<b>\$532.50</b>	\$230.57	<b>\$763.07</b>
4 yd dumpster	4		<b>\$713.51</b>	\$308.95	<b>\$1,022.46</b>

4 yd dumpster	5		<b>\$857.28</b>	\$371.20	<b>\$1,228.48</b>
4 yd dumpster	6		<b>\$970.44</b>	\$420.20	<b>\$1,390.64</b>
4 yd dumpster	7		<b>\$1,164.54</b>	\$504.25	<b>\$1,668.79</b>

The rates shown above include the monthly container rental fee and a semi-annual dumpster cleaning.

1. Rates for all commercial bin customers include recycling pickup up to 2 times per week. One 96 gallon waste wheeler is provided free of charge. If you need a bin for recycling there is a charge (see above). **If you need more frequent service, it can be provided at a 25% discount from the garbage service rates for the specified level of service required.**

**COMMERCIAL GARBAGE - OTHER CHARGES**

Garbage extras (per bag)			<b>\$10.30</b>	\$4.46	<b>\$14.76</b>
Garbage extras (per yard)			<b>\$18.66</b>	\$8.08	<b>\$26.74</b>
Re-deliver bin to stopped acct			<b>\$47.85</b>	\$20.72	<b>\$68.57</b>

\* Maximum volume and weight per garbage can : 33 gallons / 80 pounds

**COMMERCIAL - OTHER CHARGES:**

Special Pickup 1yd			<b>\$33.67</b>	\$14.58	<b>\$48.25</b>
Special Pickup 1.5yd			<b>\$49.03</b>	\$21.23	<b>\$70.26</b>
Special Pickup 2yd			<b>\$55.09</b>	\$23.85	<b>\$78.94</b>
Special Pickup 3yd			<b>\$72.24</b>	\$31.28	<b>\$103.52</b>
Special Pickup 4yd			<b>\$92.25</b>	\$39.94	<b>\$132.19</b>
Additional 1yd recycle pickup			<b>\$10.15</b>	\$4.39	<b>\$14.54</b>
Additional 2yd recycle pickup			<b>\$10.15</b>	\$4.39	<b>\$14.54</b>
Additional 3yd recycle pickup			<b>\$10.15</b>	\$4.39	<b>\$14.54</b>
Bin Cleaning			<b>\$88.92</b>	\$38.50	<b>\$127.42</b>
Delivery Charge			<b>\$61.43</b>	\$26.60	<b>\$88.03</b>
Commercial Maint Fee			<b>\$31.91</b>	\$13.82	<b>\$45.73</b>
Mile Charge			<b>\$0.84</b>	\$0.36	<b>\$1.20</b>
Trip Charge			<b>\$11.96</b>	\$5.18	<b>\$17.14</b>
Temporary Rental Charge			<b>\$1.68</b>	\$0.73	<b>\$2.41</b>
White Goods			<b>\$45.22</b>	\$19.58	<b>\$64.80</b>
Lock Charge			<b>\$104.13</b>	\$45.09	<b>\$149.22</b>
Stand By Time			<b>\$1.63</b>	\$0.71	<b>\$2.34</b>

1. Late Fees are imposed for residential and commercial customers over 30 days delinquent. The fee is 1.5% per month of the outstanding charge, with a minimum fee of \$5.00. No prior notice is required, as this late fee policy is stated at the bottom of every bill.

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