

Services of the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission

2023 Water & Sewer Rate Study Cost of Service Overview

January 6, 2022

Rate Fairness Board



Meeting Objective

- Ensure that all parties understand the methodology used in preparing the draft cost of service analysis
- Confirm that data used in models are appropriate
- Gain consensus around assumptions used for allocating costs to customer classes

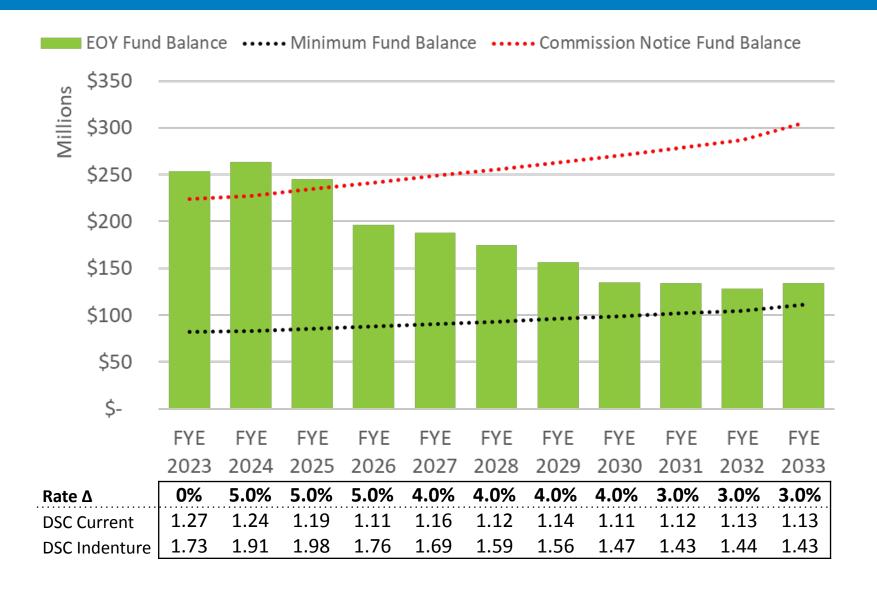


- Rate Study Process Overview
- 2. Update on Rate Plan
- Cost of Service Overview
 - i. Cost of Service Methodology
 - ii. Overview of Cost Functionalization
- 4. Water Allocations
- 5. Wastewater Allocation Overview
- Next Steps



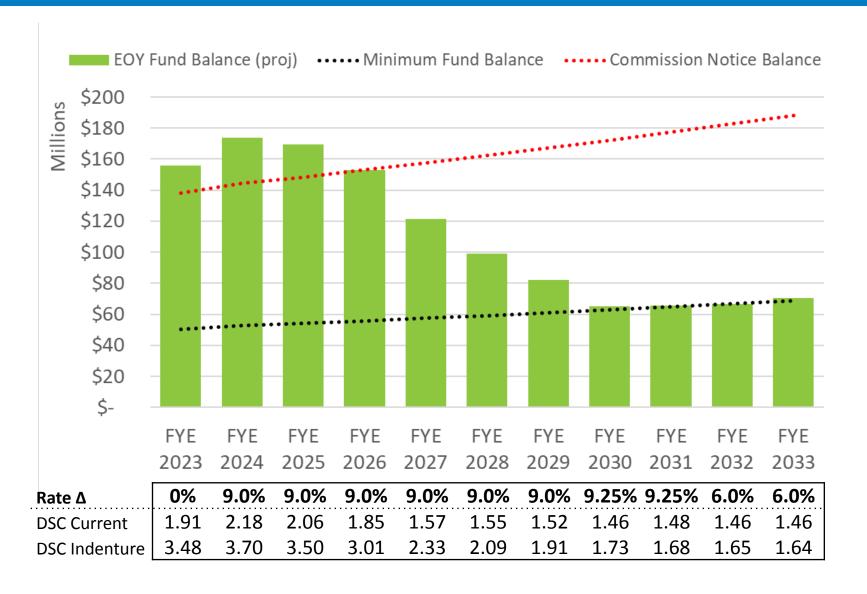


Forecasted Water Rate Adjustments and Fund Balance



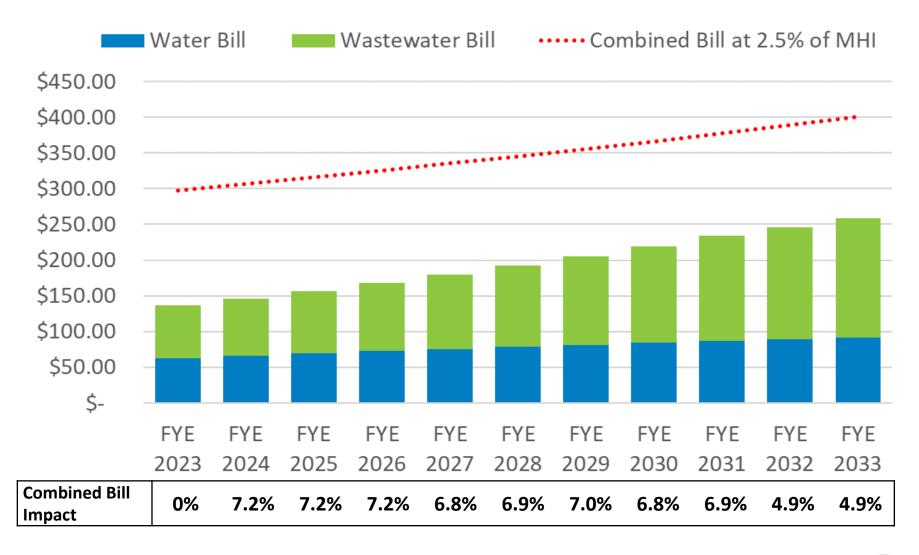


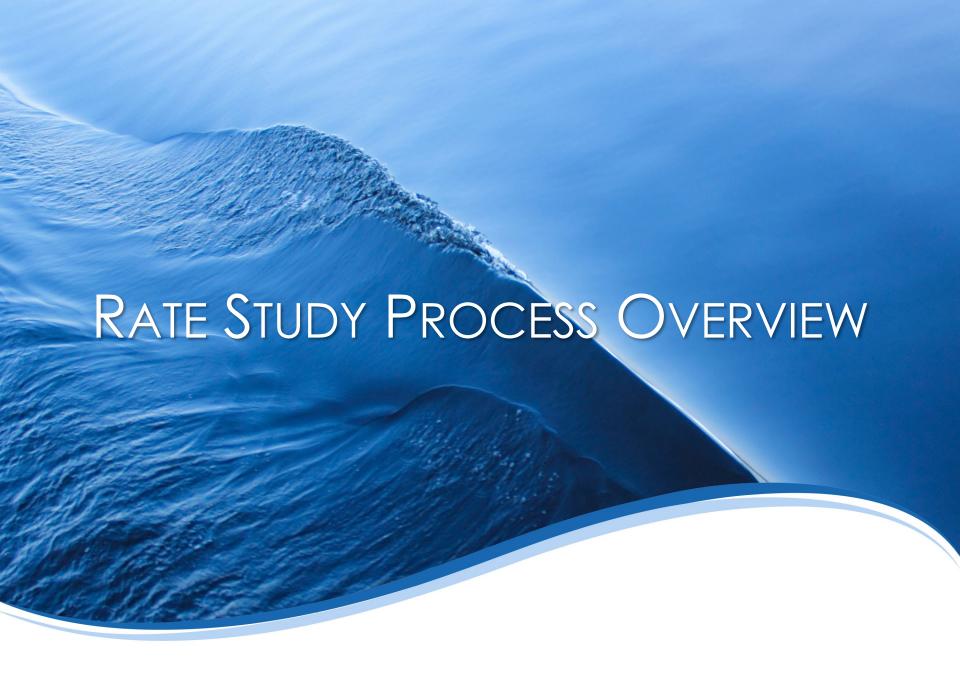
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Forecasted Wastewater Fund Balance: Proposed Rate Adjustments







Rate Study Process



Policy & Rate Structure Review

- Financial Policies
- Sources of revenues
- Uses of Funds
- Long-term investments



Revenue Sufficiency Analysis

Compares the revenues of the enterprise to expenses to determine the level of rate adjustments needed.



Cost of Service Analysis

Equitably allocates the revenue requirements between customer classes



Rate-Design Analysis

Design rates for each customer class to meet the revenue needs of the utility along with other rate design goals



Integrated Public Outreach & Messaging

Develop a cohesive messaging and outreach program that harmonizes technical cost of service requirements and community values





Cost of Service Methodology

Functionalization of Costs

Water

- Source of Supply
- Transmission
- Distribution
- Treatment
- Meters and Services
- Customer Service
- Fire Service

Wastewater

- Collection
- Stormwater
- Treatment
- Discharge
- Customer Service

Allocate Functions to Cost Components

Water

- Water Supply
- Avg. Day Demand
- Peak Day Demand
- Meters
- Customer Service
- Fire Protection

Wastewater

- Sewage Flow
- Stormwater Flow
- COD/TSS/FOG
- Customer Service

Distribute Cost Components to Customer Classes

Water

- Single Family
- Multi-Family
- Non-Residential
- Irrigation
- Contractors
- Fire Service
- Raw Water

Wastewater

- Single Family
- Multi-Family
- Non-Residential
- Stormwater Only



Functionalization

O&M Allocations

- Allocations determined using best available information
 - o Maximo Data
 - o FTE Analysis
 - o Department lead's understanding of time spent

Debt Service Allocations

- Allocated by debt issuance
- BI Data used to assign funded projects to functions

CIP Allocations

Allocations based on projects funded

Offsetting Revenues

Allocations based on the nature of the revenue source





Water Revenue Requirements

Expense Summary	
Operating & Programmatic Expenses	\$335,462,308
Debt Service	\$333,499,425
Cash Funded Capital	\$50,376,658
Revenue Requirements	\$719,338,391
Offsetting Revenues	
CAP Use of Revenues	\$7,000,000
Programmatic Revenues	(\$8,448,000)
Capacity Fees	(\$2,211,000)
Wholesale Water Sales	(\$318,249,517)
Misc Income	(\$53,530,007)
Use of Fund Balance	(\$1,464,218)
Total Offsetting Revenues	(\$376,902,743)
Retail Rate Revenue Requirements	\$342,435,648



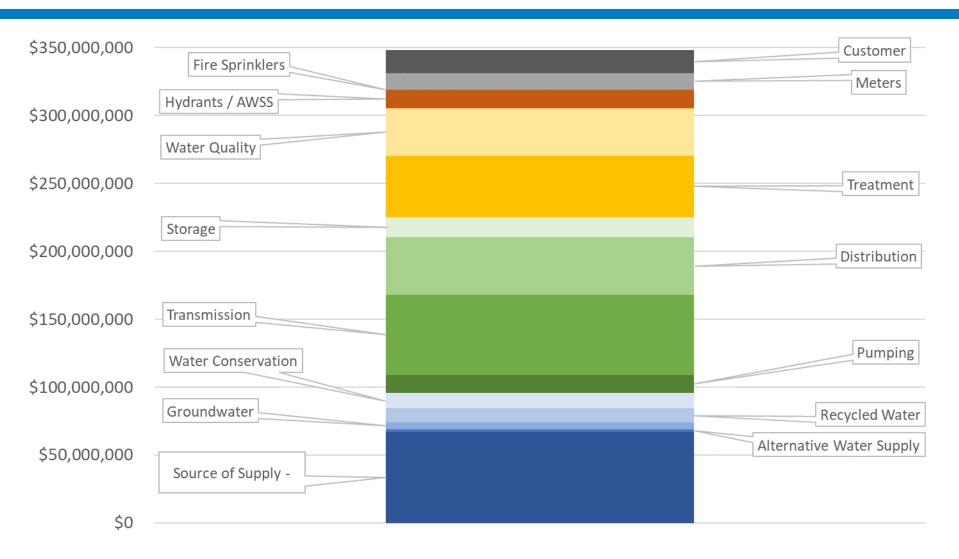
Water Functional Groups

1. Costs are allocated to functional categories

Source of Source of Source of Source of Water Supply – Supply – Surface Water Supply – Supply -Alternative Conservation Recycled Water Groundwater Water Supply **Transmission** Distribution **Pumping Treatment** Storage Customer Meters General Water Quality Fire Protection Service



Functionalization Results





Water Cost Components

2. Functionalized costs are allocated to cost components

Raw Water Supply

Base Demand (Avg. Day)

Peak Demand (Peak Day)

Conservation

Meters

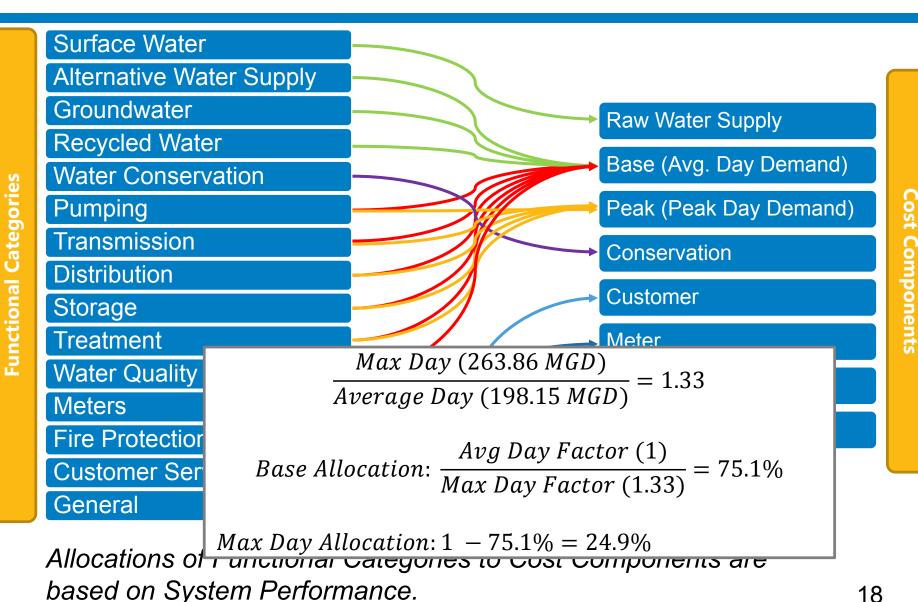
Customer Service

Fire Protection

General



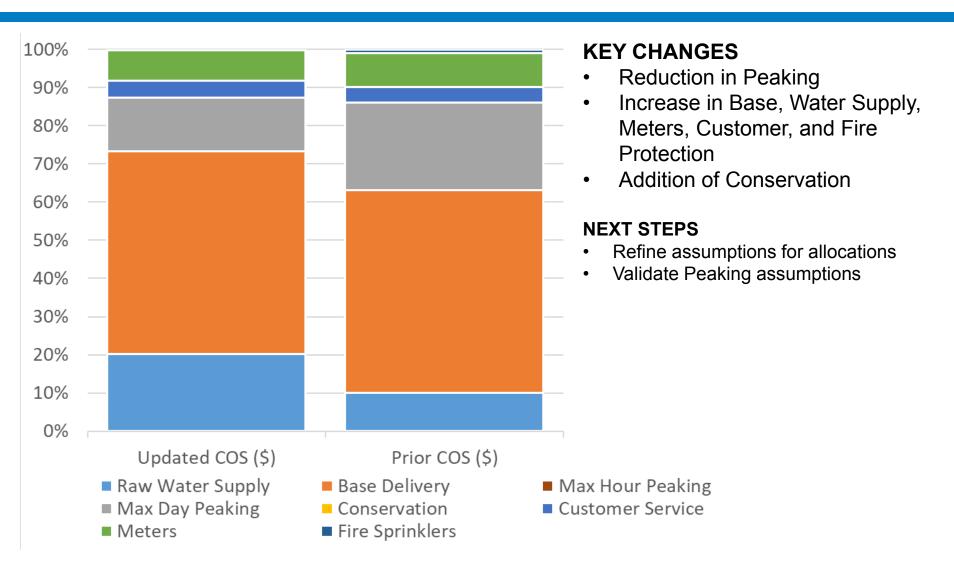
Water Function to Cost Components



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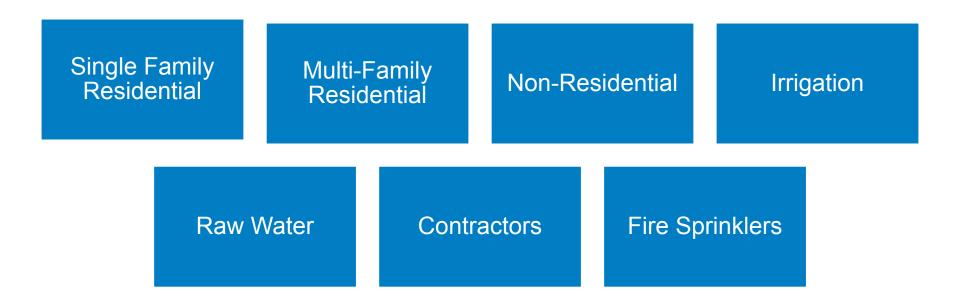
Cost Component Comparison





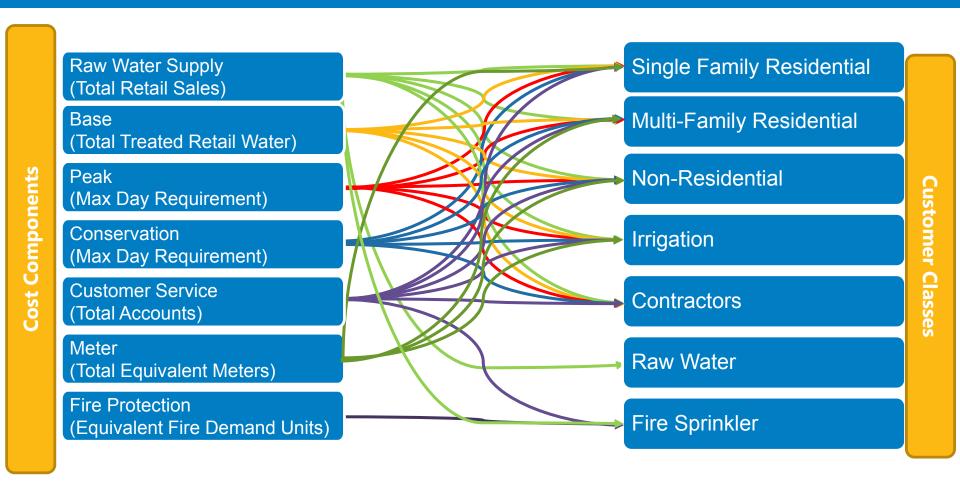
Water Distribution to Classes

3. Cost component totals are allocated to customer classes





Water Cost Component to Customer Class

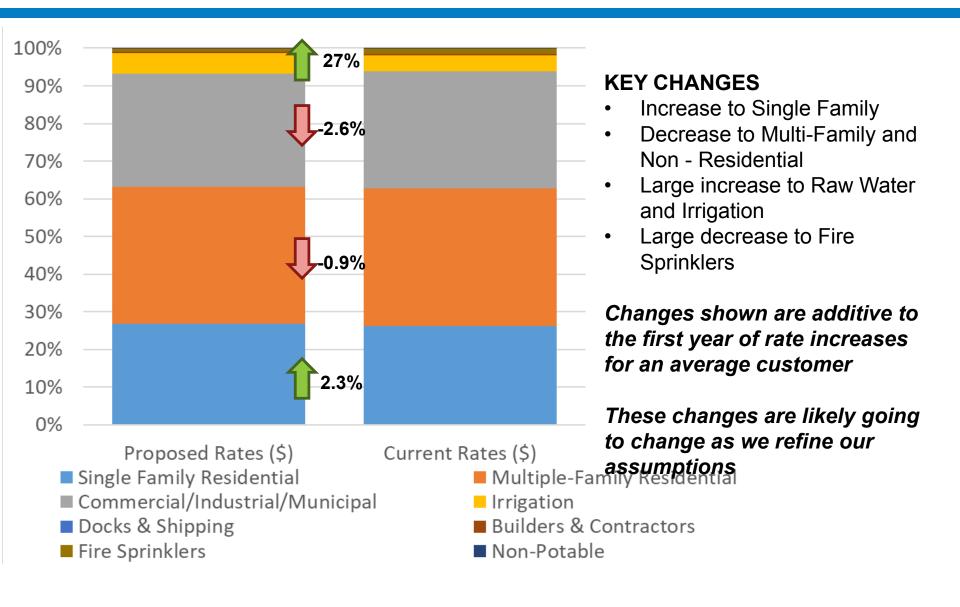


Allocations of Cost Components to Customer Classes are based on Customer Class Demand Using FY 2022 Data.

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Allocation of Revenue Requirements to Customer Classes





Remaining Work to Complete Water Power Sewer Allocations

Deep Dive Review of the COS
Assumptions with RFC

Validate data source for Peaking Behavior

Review Fire Protection Methodology





1. Costs are allocated to functional categories

Headworks

Primary Treatment Secondary Treatment Disinfection / Discharge

Solids Handling

Pumping / Lift Stations

Stormwater

General Collections

Customer Service

General



2. Functionalized costs are allocated to cost components

Stormwater Flow

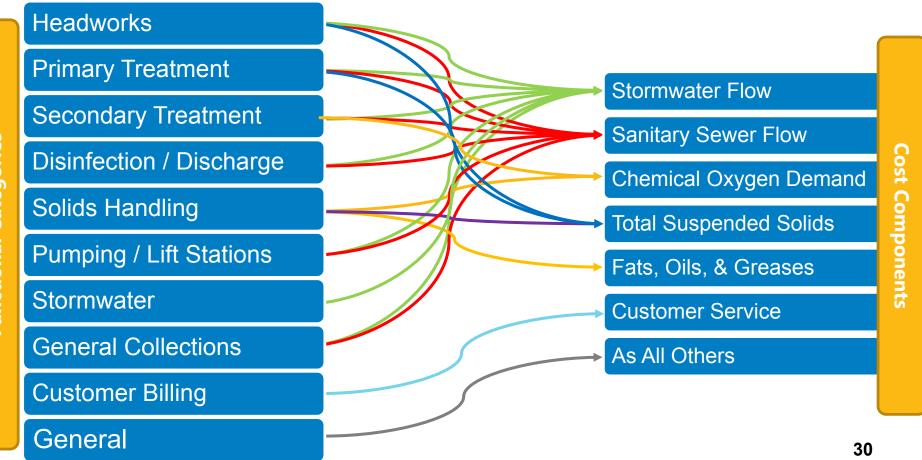
Sewage Flow Chemical Oxygen Demand

Total
Suspended
Solids

Fats, Oils, & Greases

Customer Service







3. Cost component totals are allocated to customer classes

Single Family Residential

Multi-Family Residential Non-Residential

Stormwater Only





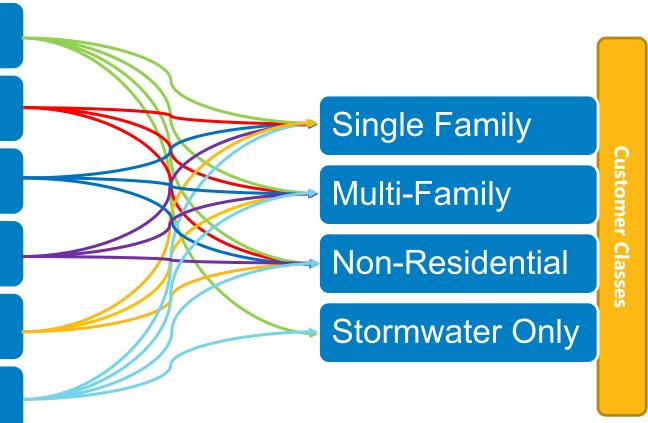
Sanitary Sewer Flow (Sewer Flow)

Chemical Oxygen Demand (Billed Lbs. COD)

Total Suspended Solids (Billed Lbs. TSS)

Fats, Oils, & Greases (Billed Lbs. FOG)

Customer Service (Count of Accounts)





Remaining Work to Complete Wastewater Allocations

Prepare Draft allocations to Cost Components and Classes

Evaluate Implications of Phasing in Stormwater COS





- Scrub COS assumptions with Consultant
- Initiate the Rate Design Process
- Finalize customer outreach and engagement plan
- Develop implementation plan and timeline for billing system



RFB Schedule

Approximate Timing (Week of)	Topic
January 23	Rate Design ProcessPreliminary Rate Structure Alternatives
February 13	Discussion of Preferred Rate StructureFinal Schedule of Rates
February 27	Review of Draft ReportReview of Proposal to Commission
March 20	Prepare for Prop 218 Hearing

Schedule will likely adjust as we proceed with the rate study.



Discussion & Questions







Water Functionalization to Cost Components

Allocation of Functions to Cost Components (\$)	Raw Water Supply	Base Delivery	Max Day Peaking	Max Hour Peaking	Conservation	Customer Service	Meters	Private Fire Protection	General	Revenue Offsets	Total
Functions Source of Supply - Surface Water	\$20,163,687	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,163,687
Alternative Water Supply	\$0	\$6,324,631	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,324,631
Groundwater	\$0	\$6,088,217	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,088,217
Recycled Water	\$0	\$11,177,565	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$11,177,565
Water Conservation	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$8,750,118	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$8,750,118
Pumping	\$0	\$8,611,730	\$2,855,616	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$11,467,346
Transmission	\$0	\$77,261,655	\$25,619,662	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$102,881,317
Distribution	\$0	\$14,401,542	\$4,775,495	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$19,177,037
Storage	\$0	\$27,753,789	\$9,203,048	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$36,956,837
Treatment	\$0	\$62,313,302	\$20,662,847	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$82,976,149
Water Quality	\$0	\$22,537,502	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$22,537,502
Meters	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$16,437,949	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$16,437,949
Hydrants / AWSS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,671,270	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,671,270
Private Fire Protection	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,049,828	\$0	\$0	\$1,049,828
Customer	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$15,818,572	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$15,818,572
Bureau	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Indirect - General	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Revenue Offsets	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0 (\$25,042,377) ((\$25,042,377)
Preliminary Cost of Service Allocation	\$20,163,687	\$236,469,933	\$63,116,668	\$0	\$8,750,118	\$15,818,572	\$22,109,219	\$1,049,828	\$0 (\$25,042,377)	\$342,435,648



Water Customer Class Units of Service

Retail Customer Peaking	Annual Water Use (CCF)		Average Daily Water Use (CCF)	Max Day Factor	Max Day Capacity (CCF/Day)	Max Day Extra Capacity (CCF/Day)
Single-Family Residential						
Tier 1	4,041,084	4,041,084	11,071	1.03	11,385	313
Tier 2	2,360,931	2,360,931	6,468	1.20	7,776	1,308
Subtotal	6,402,014	6,402,014	17,540		19,161	1,621
Multiple-Family Residential						
Tier 1	6,888,953	6,888,953	18,874	1.00	18,824	-50
Tier 2	3,850,847	3,850,847	10,550	1.05	11,127	577
Subtotal	10,739,799	10,739,799	29,424		29,951	526
Non-Residential	8,238,134	8,238,134	22,570	1.10	24,863	2,293
Municipal	794,151	794,151	2,176	1.10	2,397	221
Irrigation	1,216,473	1,216,473	3,333	1.10	3,671	339
Untreated Water	169,588	169,588	465	N/A	N/A	N/A
Fire Service	31,711	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A



Water Cost Components to Customer Class

Allocation of Functions to Cost Components (\$)	Raw Water Supply	Base Delivery	Max Day Peaking	Max Hour Peaking C	onservation	Customer Service	Meters	Private Fire Protection	Revenue Offsets	Total
Single Family Residential	\$4,683,870	\$55,270,257	\$14,605,370	\$0	\$2,836,934	\$10,037,614	\$14,632,169	N/A	(\$5,853,170)	\$96,213,044
Multiple-Family Residential	\$7,857,500	\$92,719,482	\$4,743,740	\$0	\$921,420	\$3,265,335	\$10,948,582	N/A	(\$9,819,076)	\$110,636,982
Non-Residential	\$6,027,220	\$71,121,953	\$20,657,365	\$0	\$4,012,469	\$1,387,267	\$6,367,941	N/A	(\$7,531,878)	\$102,042,337
Municipal	\$581,020	\$6,856,113	\$1,991,357	\$0	\$386,800	\$69,883	\$869,063	N/A	(\$726,068)	\$10,028,168
Irrigation	\$890,001	\$10,502,129	\$3,050,342	\$0	\$592,496	\$147,627	\$912,338	N/A	(\$1,112,185)	\$14,982,749
Untreated Water	\$124,075	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Sales	\$0	N/A	N/A	\$124,075
Fire Service	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$910,847	N/A	\$7,497,446	N/A	\$8,408,293
Total	\$20,163,687	\$236,469,933	\$45,048,175	\$0	\$8,750,118	\$15,818,572	\$33,730,094	\$7,497,446	(\$25,042,377)	\$342,435,648