

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

**Calleguas Municipal Water District
2011/12 Standby Charge Program**

Calleguas Municipal Water District's (CMWD) Board of Directors has adopted a Resolution of Intent (ROI) proposing to continue a standby charge on all parcels in its service area. Since its inception in 1995 the charge has not changed and as proposed will remain the same in FY 11/12. An Engineer's Report (Report) that supports the charge and shows that the additional 1.4 million dollars produced by the standby charge is necessary in FY 11/12 to improve the reliability of CMWD's water supply, to continue "drought proofing" its service area and to fund a portion of CMWD's operation is available for public review at CMWD Administration Building at 2100 Olsen Road, Thousand Oaks, California and on CMWD's web site (www.calleguas.com). Completion of these projects is essential to reduce reliance on the single source of water from Metropolitan Water District of Southern California. Vulnerability of that source was demonstrated in the Northridge earthquake of 1994. California's State Water Project remains the subject of deliberations among stakeholders, competing water demands, environmental concerns, financial problems, regulatory constraints and growing concerns about levy integrity. Further imported water supply uncertainties stem from allocation disputes and dry hydrologic conditions in the Colorado River watershed.

For a typical family residing on less than one acre, the proposed charge is approximately 42 cents a month. In FY 11/12 the proposed rate remains \$5 per parcel (one acre or less) and \$5 per acre (for parcels over one acre). Proposed amounts to be levied on high-density parcels/acres are also unchanged and are based on the Assessor's Use Code. For example, a parcel with a designated Use Code of one unit per acre would incur a charge of \$5. Use Codes of 10 or more units per acre would have a charge of \$50 per acre or parcel. (In accordance with the ROI, certain lands may qualify for exemption. Exemption requests must be submitted in writing.)

During its regularly scheduled meeting on June 15th, 2011 at 5:00 p.m. at the CMWD Administration Building located at 2100 Olsen Road in Thousand Oaks, the CMWD Board of Directors will conduct a public hearing at which time property owners in CMWD are invited to comment on the proposed charge. Any landowner desiring to protest the proposed charges must do so in writing. Such letters must be delivered to CMWD at the address shown below no later than the close of the public hearing portion of the Board agenda. All communications must contain a description sufficient to accurately identify the land and legal owner. During the public hearing, the Board will consider and act on all protests and comments. For information, call 1-800-675-2141 or write to Calleguas Municipal Water District, Attn: Board of Directors, 2100 Olsen Road, Thousand Oaks, California 91360-6800.

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