

ORDINANCE NO. 185

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE VALLECITOS WATER DISTRICT
ESTABLISHING PUMP ZONE CHARGES AND
REPEALING ORDINANCE NOS. 93-1, 96, 96-1, 100, 105, 108, 113, 126, 131,
132, 137, 143, 172**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Directors of the Vallecitos Water District as follows:

SECTION 1: The Board of Directors finds and determines that the following facts are true and correct:

SECTION 1.1: The Vallecitos Water District ("District") has the authority to establish water rates and charges for services provided within the District boundaries in accordance with Water Code 31024, et seq.

SECTION 1.2: Policy has been established to identify various pump zones and to periodically adjust and/or set charges required to recover power costs necessary to hydraulically lift water to various benefit areas.

SECTION 1.3: Staff has analyzed historic and projected water demand and pumping power costs within each pump zone.

Section 1.4: At least 45 days prior to September 18, 2013, public notice was provided regarding the proposed changes and explaining that the charges are only a recovery of actual power costs.

SECTION 1.5: The recommendations of District staff have been considered by the Board of Directors of the District.

SECTION 1.6: Having heard, reviewed and considered, the staff report and information from interested persons who have had an opportunity to express their views, and being advised of the proposed changes in pump zone rates, the Board of Directors finds that it is in the best interests of the District and the customers served to adjust existing pump zone charges as contained in this Ordinance.

SECTION 2: In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15061, the Board of Directors ordains that the rates established by this ordinance are exempt from CEQA for the following reasons:

1. The pump zone rates are not a "project" as defined by Guidelines Section 15378;

2. The project is exempt in accordance with Guidelines Section 15273(1), 15273(3), and 15274(4); and
3. The activity will not have any significant effect upon the environment pursuant to Guidelines Sections 15061(b)(3).

SECTION 3: The Board of Directors of the District orders and directs that the foregoing exemptions and reasons be made a part of the Notice of Exemption and that the Notice of Exemption be filed with the County Clerk of the County of San Diego.

SECTION 4: Pump Zone Rate Schedule:

There are currently ten areas of the District that must have water pumped in order to receive service. These zones are established by the hydraulic lift required to boost water to each system. Rates are calculated to recover power costs necessary to pump water to the system for each zone. This pump zone charge is per unit (100 cubic feet) of water and in addition to the ready-to-serve and commodity charges.

The zones and charges are as follows:

		Effective		
		October 1, 2013	July 1, 2014	July 1, 2015
Zone 1	North Twin Oaks	\$ 0.50	\$ 0.50	\$ 0.50
Zone 2	Deer Springs	0.14	0.17	0.20
Zone 3	Coggan	0.04	0.09	0.15
Zone 4	South Lake (<i>Coronado Hills</i>)	0.13	0.08	0.06
Zone 5	Wulff	0.43	0.51	0.58
Zone 6	Palos Vista	0.19	0.23	0.25
Zone 7	School House (<i>San Elijo</i>)	0.01	0.01	0.01
Zone 8	Double Peaks	0.19	0.18	0.18
Zone 9	Meadowlard	0.10	0.14	0.15
Zone 10	High Point	0.42	0.42	0.42

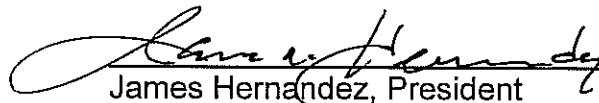
*A unit of water equals 100 cubic feet or 748 gallons.

SECTION 5: This ordinance shall become effective upon adoption for 2013/14 charges; July 1, 2014, for 2014/15 charges; July 1, 2015 for 2015/16 charges. This ordinance shall be published one (1) time in an adjudicated newspaper of general circulation within the District within 10 days of adoption.

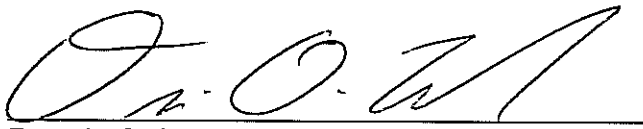
ALL OTHER ORDINANCES, ARTICLES OR SECTIONS OF ORDINANCES, OR AMENDMENTS IN CONFLICT HEREWITH ARE HEREBY REPEALED.

THIS ORDINANCE PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Vallecitos Water District at a regular meeting this 2nd day of October, 2013, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: EVANS, MARTIN, POLTL, HERNANDEZ
NOES:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT: FERGUSON


James Hernandez, President
Board of Directors
Vallecitos Water District

ATTEST:


Dennis O. Lamb, Secretary
Board of Directors
Vallecitos Water District