



WEST HARRIS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY

November 28, 2022

TO: Utility Districts; the Cities of Houston and Katy, Texas; Non-District/Non-City Well Owners within the West Harris County Regional Water Authority

FROM: West Harris County Regional Water Authority (the "Authority")

RE: Notice of Fee Increases

At the Authority's Board of Directors meeting held on November 9, 2022, the Authority adopted changes to its Rate Order, which include increased fees in order to fund the massive water supply projects that are needed to meet the Harris Galveston Subsidence District ("HGSD") groundwater reduction regulations and to avoid the \$10.78 per 1,000 gallons disincentive fee that the HGSD imposes for non-compliance. The HGSD regulations require reduction of groundwater pumpage in our area to no more than 40% of the total water demand by 2025 and no more than 20% of the total water demand by 2035.

Effective January 1, 2023, the Groundwater Reduction Plan Fee will be \$3.95 per 1,000 gallons of groundwater pumped and the Surface Water Fee will be \$4.35 per 1,000 gallons of water delivered by the Authority. These new fees correspondingly increase the Imported Water Fee.

To review the complete Amended Rate Order, please go to the Authority's website at <https://www.whcrwa.com/documents/>.

The Authority has implemented two forms to help you keep the Authority informed: the Contact Information Request Form and the Interconnect Notification Form. Both forms are available on the Authority's website at <https://www.whcrwa.com/documents/>. The Contact Information Request Form should be provided to the Authority before a new non-exempt well is operational and if any contact information for a non-exempt well has changed. The Interconnect Notification Form should be provided to the Authority if a user plans to receive or is receiving water through an interconnect. Please see the forms for additional information.