

How Do I Read My Agricultural Water Bill?



PLEASE RETURN THIS STUB WITH PAYMENT

2	DUE DATE	3	AMOUNT DUE BY DUE DATE
	7/18/2008		163.27
ACCOUNT NUMBER			
4	94535		

Ima Conserver
1234 Water Street
Drought, CA 96003

5 Parcel #: 000-000-000-000

Please fold along perforation, detach and return the top portion with your payment.

6	Previous Balance for ALL Locations	:	93.78	Payments:	93.78
	Beginning Balance as of 7/7/2008	:	0.00		
7	1234 WATER STREET		Balance Forward		Current Charges
	Parcel # 000-000-000-000				
	Usage History (in Hundreds of Cubic Feet)				
8	Usage This Period Last Year	:	1520		
	Usage This Period This Year	:	1561		
	Usage Prior 12 Months	:	4737		
	Base Year Usage	:	2.9932	9	
	BVWD 4/28/2008 - 6/26/2008 (meter 0000028322)				
10	Readings		Previous	Current	
			3347	4908	
			BASE RATE 2" Agricultural	0.00	11
			USAGE	0.00	12
	Usage - Tier 1	AF	3.5836@23.10 = 82.78		13
			TREATMENT DEBT SERV.	0.00	14
			DROUGHT SURCHARGE	0.00	
					60.00
					82.78
					14.00
					6.49
	Total for BVWD		0.00		163.27
	Total for 1234 Water Street				163.27

BVWD HAS DECLARED A WATER SHORTAGE EMERGENCY AND HAS ENACTED STAGE IV OF ITS WATER SHORTAGE CONTINGENCY PLAN. REFER TO THE DISTRICT'S WEBSITE AT WWW.BVWD.ORG FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

Account Number :	94535	Invoice Date :	7/11/2008
Name :	IMA CONSERVER		
Due Date :	8/01/2008	TOTAL AMOUNT DUE	163.27

1. Payment Address

Payments should be made payable to Bella Vista Water District or BVWD and sent to 11368 E. Stillwater Way, Redding, CA 96003-9510.

2. Due Date

Payments should be submitted by the due date in order to avoid penalty charges of 1.5% per month (18% per annum).

3. Amount Due

This is the total balance due on your account at the time of billing.

4. Account Number

This is your unique identifier and is also referred to as your customer number. Please reference this number on all payments, and when calling the district with questions regarding your account.

5. Parcel Number

The identifying number provided by Shasta County Assessor for the parcel in which water service is being provided. It is more commonly referred to as APN or Assessor's Parcel Number.

6. Previous and Beginning Balances

This reflects the previous balance for all service locations on the account, any payments made during the previous billing cycle and the beginning balance of the current billing cycle. This is the total amount owing as of the date of the invoice.

7. Service Location

This is the physical location where water service is being provided.

8. Usage History

This section reflects your usage history. Usage this period last year reflects the same two-month billing period one year ago. Usage this Period This year is usage used during the current billing cycle. Usage Prior 12 months is a rolling total that combines usage from the last 6 billing cycles.

9. Reading Dates and Meter Number

These dates represent the beginning and ending of the current billing cycle. The meter number is the meter serial number of the actual device located at the service location.

10. Readings

These are the readings from your meter when it was read at the beginning and end of the cycle. The first reading is subtracted from the second to determine the total usage in hundred cubic feet (HCF) or acre-feet (AF). Once the usage (HCF) total is computed, divide that figure by 435.6 to reach the total number of AF used.

11. Base Rate

The base rate charge is a flat charge depending on the size of the meter and type of service, i.e. agricultural or aquaculture. This charge is used to offset the cost of providing service and maintaining the water system.

12. Usage

Shows the total amount billed for water usage.

13. Treatment Debt Service

This charge is used to repay a \$10 million loan from the California Department of Water Resources used to make improvements to the district's treatment process. These improvements were mandated by the California Department of Public Health to meet the new, more stringent federal requirements for drinking water.

14. Drought Surcharge

On May 12, 2008 the District declared a water shortage emergency and enacted Stage II of its Water Shortage Contingency Plan. Stage II measures include a drought surcharge beginning on June 1, 2008, for usage which exceeds 75% of the water used during the water year (March 1, 2007 through February 28, 2008). This surcharge will remain in place until the water supply outlook improves and the Board takes action to rescind the adopted Stage II measures. Residential, Rural, Commercial and Public Institutional customers will be charged \$.10 per hundred cubic feet (HCF) for all water used in excess of 75% of the base year usage within each billing cycle. The District was able to secure additional, although more expensive, supplemental water supplies. Therefore it was necessary to pass through the additional costs for supplemental water by imposing the drought surcharge.