



## **BELLA VISTA WATER DISTRICT**

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### FACT SHEET - REBATES FOR LINE EXTENSIONS

If a property owner, or owners, extend a water line to which others can connect directly to (without further line extension) at a later date, the installers of the water line may enter into a “Rebate Agreement” with the District. The connection benefits the new connecting owner and the new owner is then required to reimburse the original installers for a portion of the cost based on the amount of acreage benefited. The original installers of the water line must take certain actions to be eligible for these rebates.

The following are guidelines which are followed for rebates.

1. When a claim is made to the District for reimbursement (rebate) on a water line, or when a connection is to be made to an extended line paid for by private parties, the District’s staff shall endeavor to make complete and fair determination of the properties originally benefiting and the distribution of costs. In general, all properties that obtain service directly from the water line and do not have to extend the water line to obtain service will be considered benefited and shall be required to pay for a rebate when the parcel connects to the water line.
2. Landowners of benefiting property shall be notified of the original water line extension and shall be held liable for reimbursement and penalty charges.
3. Within 30 days of completion and approval of a pipeline, the installer must furnish the District with “as built” drawings of said water line along with an itemized total cost for rebate calculation purposes. If, after 30 days, the required information is not supplied to the District, the District may determine the project ineligible to participate in a rebate agreement.
4. All line extensions shall be and shall remain the property of Bella Vista Water District.
5. The District may, at any time, add additional extensions to any water line without securing permission from the original owner or owners who may have paid the original installation costs of such lateral and water main extensions.
6. There will be no compensation to the original installers when a line is extended.
7. If a property originally considered to benefit from a water line obtains its water service from another water line, the installers of the original water line shall not be entitled to a rebate from that parcel and the parcel shall be dropped from the list of benefited properties. The per acre rebate liability on the remaining properties shall remain the same as was originally calculated, plus the penalty for waiting.

8. A property which, at the time of the installation of a line extension, had access to water from another existing water line and was excluded from participating in the original cost of the water line extension and was later connected to the new line for convenience is exempt from paying a rebate.
9. If any of the parcels that are designed to be utilized by the proposed extension are purchased by one or more of the proponents, the purchasing proponents shall not be entitled to reimbursement since they would be expected to realize their expenses upon resale. The sale of a parcel that is entitled to a rebate waives the right to any rebate after the date of sale.
10. The District shall in no way be obligated to assure that the property owner or property owners making such lateral extensions will receive full payment of any costs thereof or initiate any action or incur any expense to collect any sum to be paid to such property owner or property owners, nor shall any refund be made from any revenue derived from water service.
11. The term of a rebate agreement is ten (10) years from the date of installation of any extension or until all the properties that can receive service from the extension are developed (which ever occurs first).