



BELLA VISTA WATER DISTRICT

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FACT SHEET -TIERED PRICING

A major source of revenue to support the District comes from water rates. The rates are broken down into two parts; a base capacity charge and a volumetric, or commodity charge.

The commodity charge includes a tiered water rate, i.e., the more water you use the more the water costs per unit of volume. As an example, the residential rate is structured into three tiers. The first tier is for use up to 116 HCF and the cost is \$0.46 per HCF. The second tier is for use greater than 116 HCF but less than 161 HCF and the cost is \$0.51 per HCF. The third tier is for use greater than 161 HCF and the cost is \$0.56 per HCF.

If you use a total of 150 HCF during a two-month billing period, you would pay \$0.46 per HCF for the first 116 HCF plus \$0.51 per HCF for the amount used above 116 HCF. In this example, 150 HCF less 116 HCF equals 34 HCF that would be billed at the rate of \$0.51 per HCF.

Tiered water pricing is mandated as a conservation measure by the District's water supply contract with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation.

The District is a not for profit entity formed under California law to provide water service. There is no profit. Every dollar that is collected goes into providing water and operating and maintaining the system for the customers.

Note: One hundred cubic feet (1 HCF) of water equals 748 gallons.