



**Los Angeles County Public Works
Sewer Maintenance Division**
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*Important Notification of Proposed
Annual Rate Increases For
Marina Sewer Maintenance District*

Attend an Outreach Event!

To learn more about the proposed sewer rate increase for the Marina Sewer Maintenance District and engage with the Public Works team, please attend any of the upcoming outreach events:

OPEN HOUSE

Monday, June 9
6:00 - 7:30 PM
Lennox Library
4359 Lennox Blvd.
Lennox, CA

MARINA SMD

COMMUNITY MEETING

Thursday, May 15
6:00 - 7:30 PM
Burton Chace Park
13650 Mindanao Way
Marina del Rey, CA

MARINA SMD WEBINAR

Tuesday, May 27
6:00 PM
[pw.lacounty.gov/go/
Prop218-SM](http://pw.lacounty.gov/go/Prop218-SM)



OPEN HOUSE AND WEBINAR INFORMATION

All meetings begin at 6:00 PM.

Interpretación en español disponible.
To request additional interpretation or
other accommodations at any of these
events, please submit a request form at
pw.lacounty.gov/go/Prop218-SM.



For questions and comments, please contact us at
SMDOffice@pw.lacounty.gov
Hotline: 888-88SEWER (888-887-3937)

For emergencies, please contact Public Works' 24/7
emergency line at **1-800-675-HELP (4357)**



Proposition 218 Notification:

Proposed Annual Rate Increases for Marina Sewer Maintenance District

What is the Marina Sewer Maintenance District (SMD)?

The Marina SMD is a special sewer maintenance district in the unincorporated County area of Marina del Rey that provides collection, treatment, and disposal of wastewater for the Marina del Rey community. The Marina SMD is managed by Los Angeles County Public Works.

Public Works operates and maintains the wastewater collection system and pays the City of Los Angeles for treatment and disposal of the wastewater. Sewer service charges are collected through owners' tax rolls to fund these services.

**Sewer rates in the Marina SMD have not been raised
since 2008 with no adjustments for inflation.**



Marina **SMD**



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Why Are Rate Increases Necessary for Marina SMD?

Public Works is responsible for ensuring the efficient operation and upkeep of the region's sewer system, including the Marina SMD, with the goal to safeguard public health and the environment and to keep our communities safe. The current rates do not cover the costs to provide these sewer services. To keep pace with rising inflation and continue funding essential operations and maintenance of the sewer system, Public Works is proposing a rate increase for its services in the Marina SMD.

THE REASONS FOR THE RATE INCREASE INCLUDE:

- Keeping up with the rising cost of collection, treatment, and disposal of wastewater
- Funding capital improvement projects including the redesign and relocation of the Marina del Rey pump station, which has reached the end of its useful life, to keep the system operating





Public Works Sewer Services

The proposed rate increase will provide funding so Public Works can continue to provide the collection, treatment, and disposal of wastewater including the following services:

PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE



- Service requests for odors, noisy manholes, insects, etc.
- Regulatory compliance
- Sewer line cleanings

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AND CONDITION ASSESSMENT



- Sewer line and pump station repair and rehabilitation
- Assessment and planning for future maintenance needs

24-HOUR EMERGENCY RESPONSE

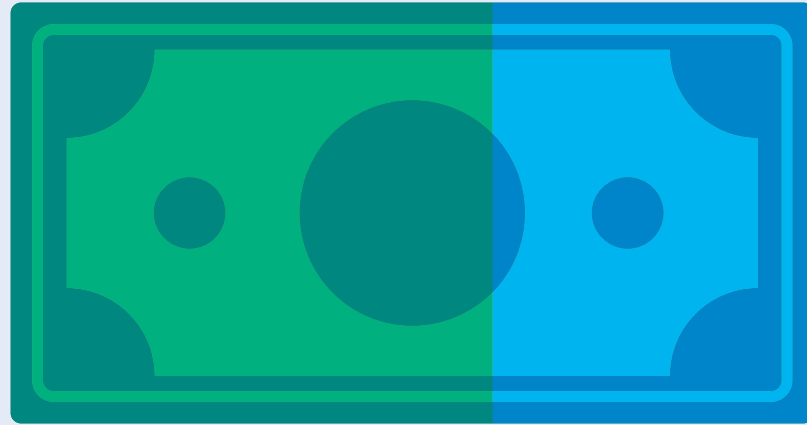


- Responding to sewer overflows, stoppages, or backups
- Resolving station malfunctions

What Do Marina SMD Rates Pay For?

65%

Revenue Paid to the City of Los Angeles for Treatment and Disposal of Wastewater



Operation and Maintenance of Wastewater Collection System

35%

Public Works' largest expense categories for operating and maintaining the Marina SMD system are collection, treatment, and disposal of wastewater and capital improvement projects to properly operate and maintain the sewer system.

The funding for sewer maintenance is dedicated specifically to providing sewer services in Marina del Rey. This funding is provided solely from fees on property taxes and cannot be used for any other purpose.



How Were Annual Rates Calculated?

COMPREHENSIVE RATE STUDY

The proposed service fee increase was calculated by evaluating the overall cost to provide sewer services to the Marina Sewer Maintenance District. These costs are shared proportionally between properties receiving sewer services as required by Proposition 218. Customers will only be charged the amount that it costs to provide sewer services to their property.

In 2024, Public Works conducted a comprehensive Rate Study for sewer maintenance services. The Rate Study was prepared by an independent, third-party firm. The Study provides a detailed review of Public Works' costs, and the rate structure needed to meet those costs to continue providing safe and reliable sewer maintenance services.

PROPOSED ANNUAL SEWER RATE INCREASES PER SEWAGE UNIT (MARINA SMD)

CURRENT RATES (Since 2008)	Proposed 7/1/2025	Proposed 7/1/2026	Proposed 7/1/2027	Total Increase
\$190	\$275 (\$23/mo)	\$360 (\$30/mo)	\$445 (\$37/mo)	
Increase Amount	\$85	\$85	\$85	\$255

The rates shown are annual sewer maintenance services for a single-family residence which is equivalent to one sewage unit. For more detailed information about the Rate Study and the proposed rates, visit: pw.lacounty.gov/go/Prop218-SM.

Public Hearing on Proposed Sewer Rate Increases

TUESDAY, JUNE 24, 2025, AT 9:30 A.M.

Hearing Room of the Board of Supervisors, Room 381B
Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple St. (corner of Temple St. and Grand Ave.)
Los Angeles, CA 90012

HOW TO FILE A WRITTEN PROTEST

Any property owner or tenant who is part of the Marina Sewer Maintenance District service area may submit a written protest for the proposed sewer rate increases. Only one protest will be counted per identified parcel. Written protests must:

- State that the identified property owner or customer opposes the proposed sewer rates
- Provide the property address and assessor's parcel number
- Include an original signature of property owner or tenant submitting protest - An electronic signature CANNOT be counted

Under California Government Code section 53759, there is a 120-day statute of limitations for challenging any new, increased, or extended fee or charge. This statute of limitations applies to the sewer service rates proposed in this notice. For reasonable ADA and Title VI accommodations, interpreting services, and materials in other languages, please contact Public Works at (888) 253-2652. This service is free.

MAIL WRITTEN PROTESTS TO:

**Los Angeles County Public Works:
Sewer Maintenance Division
RE: Protest - Proposed Annual Rate Increases for
Marina Sewer Maintenance District**
900 S. Fremont Avenue
Alhambra, CA 91803

To view the protest tabulation procedures or the Sewer Rate Study, or if you would like to review this notice in a language other than English and Spanish, please visit our website at: pw.lacounty.gov/go/Prop218-SM. Protests must be received by the County before the close of the public hearing on **Tuesday, June 24, 2025, at 9:30 a.m.** Protests may also be hand-delivered at the public hearing in **Board Hearing Room 381B, located at 500 West Temple Street, LA 90012**. The doors to the Board Room open after 8:45 a.m., and a Customer Service representative in the Board Hearing Room (who are identified with badges) will accept protest letters.