



WEST BAY SANITARY DISTRICT NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the District Board of the West Bay Sanitary District will conduct a Public Hearing on Wednesday evening, December 13, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Conference Room located at 500 Laurel Street, Menlo Park or attend by Zoom or telephone. Please refer to:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86725615742?pwd=8VwBabZqwsDIlvBwmQKyBw0bVcP72b.1>

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The purpose of the Public Hearing will be to consider a proposed increase in some of the customer rates for year 2024 effective January 1, 2024 and for year 2025 effective January 1, 2025 for the collection of waste and recyclable materials in the West Bay Sanitary District for 2023.

The need for this increase was discussed by the District Board at the October 11, 2023 Board meeting. The staff report for this matter is available at the District Office located at 500 Laurel Street, Menlo Park or online at www.westbaysanitary.org.

PROPOSED NEW RATES:

Approximately fifty-seven percent (57%) of residential service containers are a 32 gallon size. The new rate for 2024 for a 32 gallon container would increase from \$56.00 per month to \$61.00 per month and for 2025 to \$63.75 per month. The new rate for 2024 for a 20 gallon container would increase from \$50.00 per month to \$54.00 per month and for 2025 to \$56.43 per month. 20 gallon containers are grandfathered to current users and are no longer available to new customers or to customers wishing to migrate down to a 20 gallon container. As further detailed in the Rate Study, the purpose of these increases is to align the Solid Waste Rates with the actual proportionate cost of providing the service to customers in each Customer Service Level.

The District's proposed rates are designed to transition the "per can" rate to an actual "cost of service" rate. For comparison purposes, the maximum typical residential rates for 32 gallon containers for SBWMA Cities including Burlingame, Belmont, Hillsborough, Menlo Park, Redwood City, San Carlos, and San Mateo, range from a low of \$27.52 (Foster City) to a high of \$64.60 (Hillsborough), based upon 2023 rates.

The following table shows the current rates and the proposed monthly rates for West Bay Sanitary District Franchised Customers to be effective beginning January 1, 2024 and January 1, 2025.

Proposed Maximum Solid Waste Rates for 2024 and 2025

Customer Service Level	MONTHLY RATES			QUARTERLY RATES		
	Current Monthly Rate	Proposed Monthly Rate (2024)	Proposed Monthly Rate (2025)	Current Quarterly Rate	Proposed Quarterly Rate (2024)	Proposed Quarterly Rate (2025)
<i>Residential:</i>						
20 gallon can	\$50.00	\$54.00	\$56.43	\$150.00	\$162.00	\$169.29
32 gallon can	\$56.00	\$61.00	\$63.75	\$168.00	\$183.00	\$191.24
64 gallon can	\$72.75	\$78.75	\$82.29	\$218.25	\$236.25	\$246.88
96 gallon can	\$105.00	\$105.00	\$109.73	\$315.00	\$315.00	\$329.18
Commercial: (Per Pick Up)						
	Current Rate	Proposed Rate (2024)	Proposed Rate (2025)	Current Quarterly Rate	Proposed Quarterly Rate (2024)	Proposed Quarterly Rate (2025)
1 yard bin	\$176.27	\$179.80	\$187.89	\$528.81	\$539.40	\$563.66
2 yard bin	\$334.54	\$341.23	\$356.59	\$1,003.62	\$1,023.69	\$1,069.76
3 yard bin	\$372.53	\$379.98	\$397.08	\$1,117.59	\$1,139.94	\$1,191.24
4 yard bin	\$496.70	\$506.63	\$529.43	\$1,490.10	\$1,519.89	\$1,588.30
6 yard bin	\$615.76	\$628.08	\$656.34	\$1,847.28	\$1,884.24	\$1,969.02
32-Gallon Cart	\$56.00	\$61.00	\$63.75	\$168.00	\$183.00	\$191.24
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*Commercial bin rates reflect collection charge for **one** pick up per week; to calculate charge for more than one collection per week, multiply rate by number of collections per week. For example, 1-Cubic Yard Bin (at proposed rate) collected 3 times per week = \$539.40 (\$179.80 x 3 collections/wk)

At this hearing, the Board of Directors will consider public comment as well as written protests by ratepayers regarding the proposed increase in monthly collection rates. If you would like additional information on the proposed rates, please call the District at 650-321-0384.

Any person interested, including all solid waste/recycling collection customers of the West Bay Sanitary District, may appear at the public hearing and be heard on any matter related to the proposed increase in monthly rates or attend by Zoom or telephone to encourage social distancing. Again, please refer to:

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West Bay Sanitary District
Board of Directors
San Mateo County, California

/s/ Sergio Ramirez
General Manager
Dated: October 11, 2023

Rates for Other Services

The following are rates that would be charged for unscheduled services as necessary. 2025 Rates will reflect increases in accordance with the Franchise Agreement West Bay Sanitary District Holds with Recology.

Service Category	2024 Rate	Description of Rate
Backyard Collection Service—Single Family Dwelling	For one Solid Waste Cart: \$24.16 (0-50 ft) \$28.18 (51-100 ft)	Rates vary based on distance & number of carts. Contact the District for rates for distances beyond 100 feet and for more than one solid waste cart.
Return Trip Cost—Single Family Dwelling (Request to provide collection service after the regularly scheduled collection day)	\$20.14	Per collection event.
On-Call Bulky Item Collection	\$109.47	Per each collection event beyond first 2 per year. (Each customer receives 2 free bulky collections per year)
Distance charge—MFD and Commercial Accounts	A – 10% of base monthly rate B – 25% of base monthly rate	A – 51 to 100 feet from access by contractor's collection vehicle B – 101 feet or more from access by contractor's collection vehicle
Container Relocation Service	A – 12% of base monthly rate each container B – 27% of base monthly rate each container	A – 51 to 100 feet from access by contractor's collection vehicle B – 101 feet or more from access by contractor's collection vehicle
Extra Pick-Up Cost—MFD and Commercial Accounts	25% of the base monthly rate for the size of container collected once per week	Per collection event
Additional Targeted Recyclable Materials or Organic Materials Cart Rental	A -- \$ 4.03	A – Monthly rental fee (any size cart, minimum 6 months)
Collection of Contaminated Targeted Recyclable Materials or Organic Materials Container	25% of the base monthly rate for the size of container collected once per week Plus: \$20.14	Per collection event
Key Service	A -- \$11.41 per month B -- \$12.75 per month	A – Residential Customers B – Commercial Customers
Lock Purchase	\$22.81 –one time charge	One-time charge per account. No fee for replacement locks.
Overage Fee	100% of base monthly rate	Per collection event
Overage Bags	50% of the base monthly rate or \$10.73 minimum	Rate per bag
Container Cleaning	A – \$67.12 B – \$114.09	A – per Cart B – per Bin or Drop-Box
Dirty Cart Replacement	A – \$87.24 B – \$100.67 C – \$114.09	A – per 32 gallon Cart B – per 64 gallon Cart C – per 96 gallon Cart
Additional Compost Material Delivery	A – \$167.79 B – \$335.58	A – One way delivery B – Round trip delivery

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Important Information - Notice of Public Hearing
"Solid Waste & Recyclable Material Rate Increase"
Wednesday, December 13, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.



If you wish to file a written protest, please send a letter in a sealed envelope addressed to:

West Bay Sanitary District
Attn: General Manager (Solid Waste Rates)
500 Laurel Street, Menlo Park, CA 94025

Your letter must identify the real property you own or rent by street address and assessor's parcel number (APN). Your letter must be legibly signed by any one of the current property owners or ratepayers of record.

The District must receive your letter in a sealed envelope by 3:00 p.m. on December 13, 2023 or it must be presented at the District Board meeting on December 13, 2023 prior to the close of the public hearing on this matter or by Zoom Meeting <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86725615742?pwd=8VwBabZqwsDIlvBwmQKyBw0bVcP72b.1> Meeting ID: 867 2561 5742 Passcode: 183235

Any person interested, including all solid waste/recycling collection customers of the West Bay Sanitary District, may appear by Zoom or phone at the public hearing and be heard on any matter related to the proposed increase in rates.

If you would like additional information on the proposed rates, please call the District at 650-321-0384.

NOTICE OF INTENT TO INCREASE COLLECTION RATES FOR SOLID WASTE/RECYCLABLE

MATERIALS IN THE WEST BAY SANITARY DISTRICT

The District Board of the West Bay Sanitary District hereby gives public notice of its intent to increase some of the existing residential rates for the collection of recyclable materials, compost, and refuse for 2024 and 2025.

The District Board plans to consider this rate increase at a public hearing on December 13, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Conference Room located at 500 Laurel Street, Menlo Park or by Zoom or telephone <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86725615742?pwd=8VwBabZqwsDIlvBwmQKyBw0bVcP72b.1> Meeting ID: 867 2561 5742 Passcode: 183235

The need for this increase was discussed by the District Board at the October 11, 2023 Regular Board meeting, and is further detailed in the staff report for this matter and the Draft Report by HF&H Consultants (Rate Study), both of which are available at the District Office located at 500 Laurel Street, Menlo Park or online at www.westbaysanitary.org

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(Continued) Rates for Other Services



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NECESSITY FOR THE NEW RATES

The West Bay Sanitary District is a member of the South Bayside Waste Management Authority, and contracts with Recology San Mateo County (RSMC) for collection services as of January 1, 2011 and South Bay Industries (SBI) for operation of the Shoreway Center, as of January 1, 2024. The proposed rates result from the weekly recycling, organic materials and solid waste collection services and Shoreway operations provided by RSMC and SBI, contractual compensation adjustments, and migration to smaller containers.

The collection services include the convenient **weekly** collection, rather than bi-weekly collection, of single stream recycling, organic materials (yard trimmings and food scraps) and solid waste. The Shoreway facility has also undergone substantial capital improvements to construct a new Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) and an expanded Transfer Station. These improvements facilitate single stream (mixed) recycling, enhance onsite public recycling activities, and improve traffic circulation at the Shoreway Facility.

The District is in the seventh year of a multi-year pricing restructuring plan, so that a transition is made whereby the smaller cans will support their own cost of collection and disposal.

The West Bay Sanitary District hereby gives notice of a public hearing to be held at its Board meeting on December 13, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in the District's "Ronald W. Shepherd" Administration Building located at 500 Laurel Street, Menlo Park, CA or by Zoom or telephone <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86725615742?pwd=8VwBabZqwsDIlvBwmQKyBw0bVcP72b.1> Meeting ID: 867 2561 5742 Passcode: 183235

At this hearing, the Board of Directors will consider public comment as well as written protests by ratepayers regarding the proposed increase in monthly collection rates. If written protests are presented by a majority of the affected ratepayers prior to the close of the public hearing, the Board of Directors will not increase the rates as a matter of State law, however levels of service may be impacted.