

**MEMORANDUM
DEPARTMENT OF FACILITY SERVICES
COUNTY OF PLACER**

To: **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Date: **APRIL 29, 2008**

From: *JD* **JAMES DURFEE / WILL DICKINSON** *Will*

Subject: **CONNECTION FEE ADJUSTMENT FOR PLACER COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 28, ZONE NO. 55, LIVOTI SEWER**

ACTION REQUESTED / RECOMMENDATION:

1. Conduct a Public Hearing to receive public comment concerning a proposed adjustment to the Connection Fee for Placer County Service Area No. 28, Zone No. 55 (Livoti) in the south Placer area.
2. Adopt the attached Ordinance adjusting the fee.
3. Make a finding pursuant to Section 21080(b)(8), of the Public Resource Code, that the higher fee is derived directly from the cost of providing service and is necessary to meet operating expenses required for maintenance of service, and is therefore exempt from environmental review.

BACKGROUND: The current connection fee in Livoti is \$9,600 per Equivalent Dwelling Unit (EDU). Sacramento Area Sewer District (SASD), the agency that transports Livoti sewage to the treatment plant, receives \$1,853 of the fee. Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District (SRCSD), the agency that treats the Livoti sewage, receives \$7,100 of the fee. The remaining \$647 is placed in a reserve account to be used for capital improvement projects within the Livoti service area. On March 5, 2008, staff received the attached notice that, effective April 1, 2008, SASD and SRCSD increased their connection fees by \$647 and \$350, respectively. Staff recommends that the \$997 increase be added to the current Livoti connection fee, and that the new fee be set at \$10,600 per EDU (rounded up from \$10,597). This action will allow continued contributions to reserves for future capital projects.

In order to adjust the fee, your Board must conduct a Public Hearing and approve an Ordinance implementing the proposed change.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT: The proposed fee increase is considered exempt from environmental review, pursuant to Section 21080(b)(8) of the Public Resource Code, provided your Board adopts the recommended findings specified in "Action Requested."

FISCAL IMPACT: Approval of the fee adjustment will result in no fiscal impact to the Livoti sewer district, as the additional \$1,000 received for each new connection will be used to offset increased connection fees paid to the two Sacramento agencies. On average, this district adds one new connection each year.

ATTACHMENT: FEE INCREASE LETTER FROM SRCSD
ORDINANCE ADJUSTING FEES

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Subject: Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District (SRCSD) and
Sacramento Area Sewer District (SASD) (formerly known as County
Sanitation District No. 1) Sewer Impact Fee Ordinances

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District Manager
Marcia Maurer
Chief Financial Officer

Dear Mr. Dickinson:

On February 27, 2008 the SRCSD and SASD Board of Directors approved increases to
their monthly sewer impact fee charges. The approved increases are as follows:

SRCSD Sewer Impact (Connection) Fee

- "Infill Communities" impact fee increases from \$2,725.00 to \$2,800.00 per
single-family residential dwelling effective April 1, 2008.
"New Communities" impact fee increases from \$7,100 to \$7,450.00 per single-
family residential dwelling effective April 1, 2008.

SASD Sewer Impact (Connection) Fee

- "Relief Area" impact fee increases from \$1,600.00 to \$2,000.00 per ESD
effective April 1, 2008.
"Relief Area" impact fee increases from \$9,600.00 to \$12,000.00 per net acre
effective April 1, 2008.
"Expansion Area" impact fee increases from \$1,853.00 to \$2,500.00 per ESD
effective April 1, 2008.
"Expansion Area" impact fee increases from \$11,118.00 to \$15,000.00 per net
acre effective April 1, 2008.

Please ensure that staff responsible for quoting and billing sewer impact (connection) fees
is notified of the impending changes so that correct fees are quoted and collected come
April 1st.

The amended ordinances can be accessed on the Internet at:

- SRCSD Ordinances: www.srcsd.com/ordinances.html
SASD Ordinances: www.sacsewer.com/ordinances.html

If you have any questions regarding the ordinances, please do not hesitate to contact
Terrie Mitchell at 876-6092. If you have any financial related questions, please contact
Marcia Maurer, Chief Financial Officer at 876-6116.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Terrie Mitchell

Terrie Mitchell
Manager, Legislative and Regulatory Affairs

Handwritten signature of Marcia Maurer

Marcia Maurer
Chief Financial Officer

cc: Bill Zimmerman

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**Before the Board of Supervisors
County of Placer, State of California**

**In the matter of: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
SECTION 13.12.350 (H) OF CHAPTER 13 OF THE
PLACER COUNTY CODE RELATING TO CHARGES AND
FEES FOR PLACER COUNTY SEWER MAINTENANCE
DISTRICTS AND COUNTY SERVICE AREAS**

Ord. No.: _____

The following **ORDINANCE** was duly passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer at a regular meeting held _____, 2008 by the following vote on roll call:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Signed and approved by me after its passage.

Chairman, Board of Supervisors

Attest:

Clerk of said Board

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer, State of California, does hereby ordain as follows:

Section 1: Section 13.12.350 (H) of Chapter 13 of the Placer County Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

13.12.350 Fee schedules.

H. County Service Area No. 28, Zone No. 55 (Livoti). The following schedule of charges and fees shall apply to property within county service area No. 28, Zone 55 and are based upon a flow rate of one equivalent dwelling unit (EDU). Calculation of a charge and fee for a use that is billed at a rate other than one equivalent dwelling unit shall be based upon the schedule set forth in subsection H of Section 13.12.240.

Sewer service charge	= \$35.05 per month per EDU.
Sewer connection fee	= \$9,600.00 \$10,600.00 per EDU.

Section 2: This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect thirty (30) days after its passage. The Clerk is directed to publish ordinance, or a summary thereof, within fifteen (15) days in accordance with Government Code Section 25124.

