Ag Rate Proposal Comparison Matrix (v1.7)

		WA-Ag (v17)	WA-Ag Hybrid (v2.11)	Flat Rate ¹	BID ²	Demand ³ Ratchet Overlay
1	Proposal configured in rate tariff framework?	Υ	Y	Ν	Ν	Addition to proposal
2	Applicable to WA-3/WA-9 customers only?	Y	Y	Ν	Only those within BID	Y
3	Open to new customers?	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
4	Service territory	Inside City Limits	Inside City Limits	RPU Service Area	Inside City Limits	Tied to proposal
5	Inside/Outside Prop R boundary specific?	Ν	Ν	Ν	Ν	Tied to proposal
6	Min # of qualifying trees/vines	n/a	75	No criteria set	No criteria set	Tied to proposal
7	Requires clustered configuration?	Y, for single meter	Ν	No criteria set	No criteria set	Tied to proposal
8	Allows non-clustered configurations?	Y, with 2nd meter	Y	No criteria set	No criteria set	Tied to proposal
9	2nd meter option?	Y	Y	No criteria set	No criteria set	Y
10	Rate(s) based on COSA?	Y	Y	Ν	Ν	Tied to proposal
11	Variable Rate Volume Basis	All CCF	Allocation based	All CCF	No criteria set	Allocation based
12	Demand charge past certain CCF usage?	Ν	Ν	Ν	Ν	Y
13	Min property size? (acres)	3/4	3/4	No criteria set	No criteria set	Tied to proposal
14	Min % of property in Ag	75%	n/a	No criteria set	No criteria set	Tied to proposal
15	Is volume amount proportional to amount of Ag?	Ν	Y	No criteria set	No criteria set	Y
16	Does residence affect rate?	TBD	Ν	Ν	N	TBD
17	Is nominal landscaping concern addressed?	Ν	Y	No criteria set	No criteria set	Y
18	Is hardscaping concern addressed?	TBD	Y	No criteria set	No criteria set	Y
19	Is agricultural irrigation use ET based?	Ν	Y	N	N	Tied to proposal
20	Are inspections required?	Y	Y	No criteria set	No criteria set	Tied to proposal
21	Is customer required to self-report?	Ν	Y	No criteria set	No criteria set	Tied to proposal
22	Overall rate proposal is within scope and mission of Task Force directive from City Council?	γ	γ	Ν	N	n/a

¹ The Flat Rate proposal was not presented in the rate tariff framework and it proposes a number of elements that fall outside of the current scope and mission of the Task Force including: (1) all customers being affected by the proposed rates; (2) that the Gage Canal non-potable rate be changed; (3) that the recycled water rate be changed; (4) that citywide voter initiative(s) be required prior to implementation; (5) that the General Fund Transfer be eliminated for the Water Utility; (6) that a portion of the City's Gage Canal Company shares be affected; (7) that the outside City limits surcharge be eliminated; and (8) that recipients of non-potable Gage Canal gravity flow water be transitioned to potable service delivery instead.

² The BID (Business Improvement District) was a conceptual solution that does not directly address the mission of solving the WA-3 and WA-9 rates.

³ The Demand Ratchet Overlay is a potential addition to any final rate proposal solution. It essentially adjusts the rates for a large water user (above 2 acre feet per year), to a minimum bill, similar to the WA-3 rate structure. The customer would pay the greater amount of the Minimum Monthly Charge, or the actual amount calculated using the billing rate components. A second meter option may be necessary, depending upon other nonagricultural water uses on the property.

TBD = To be Determined CCF = One Hundred Cubic Feet **ET = Evapotranspiration** COSA = Cost of Service Analysis **GFT = General Fund Transfer**