

Ag Rate Proposal Comparison Matrix (v2.0)

Rate Proposal Comparison Criteria		WA-Ag (v17)	WA-Hybrid (v2.11)	WA-9 Flat Rate (v2.1)	BID	Demand ¹ Ratchet Overlay
1	Proposal within scope and mission of Task Force?	Y	Y	N	N	n/a
2	Proposal configured in rate tariff framework?	Y	Y	Y	N	Addition to
3	Customer classes affected?	WA-3 / WA-9	WA-3 / WA-9	All	Those in BID	Y
4	Open to new customers?	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
5	Service territory	Inside City Limits	Inside City Limits	RPU Service Area	Those in BID	TTP
6	Prop R boundary specific?	N	N	N	N	TTP
7	Min # of qualifying trees/vines	n/a	75	n/a	No criteria set	TTP
8	Min combined acreage in Ag (if < 75 trees/vines)	n/a	1/2	n/a	No criteria set	
9	Min qualifying property size in acres?	3/4	All parcels	All parcels	No criteria set	TTP
10	Min % of property acreage in Ag?	75%	n/a	n/a	No criteria set	TTP
11	Requires clustered configuration?	Y, for single meter	N	N	No criteria set	TTP
12	Allows non-clustered configurations?	Y, with 2nd meter	Y	Any config	No criteria set	TTP
13	2nd meter option?	Y	Y	Not needed	No criteria set	Y
14	Rate(s) based on COSA?	Y	Y	Prop 13 & 218	Unk	TTP
15	Basis of Variable Rate Volume?	All CCF	Allocation	All CCF	No criteria set	Allocation
16	Demand charge past certain CCF usage?	N	N	N	N	Y
17	Is water allocation proportional to acreage of crop(s)?	N	Y	n/a	No criteria set	Y
18	Does residence affect rate?	TBD	N	N	N	TBD
19	Is nominal landscaping concern addressed?	N	Y	Y	No criteria set	Y
20	Is hardscaping concern addressed?	TBD	Y	n/a	No criteria set	Y
21	Agricultural irrigation volume ET based?	N	Y	N	N	TTP
22	Are inspections required?	Y	Y	N	Unk	TTP
23	Is customer required to self-report?	N	Y	N	Unk	TTP
24	Proposes elimination of water portion of GFT?	N	N	Y	Unk	TTP
25	Proposes elimination of outside City surcharge?	N	N	Y	Unk	TTP
26	Proposes increase in Utility User Tax?	N	N	Y	Unk	TTP
27	Requires metered services for Gage customers?	N	N	Y	Unk	TTP
28	Proposes property assessment ballot measures?	N	N	Y	Unk	TTP
29	Proposes elimination of Energy Cost Adjustment?	N	N	Y	Unk	TTP
30	Proposes only recycled water be sold to other agencies?	N	N	Y	Unk	n/a

¹ The Demand Ratchet Overlay is a potential addition to any final rate proposal recommendation. It adjusts the rates for a large water user (above 2 acre feet per year), to a minimum bill, similar to the existing 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 non-agricultural water uses on the property. Per Seth Wilson.

TBD = To be Determined
CCF = One Hundred Cubic Feet
TTP = Tied to Proposal

ET = Evapotranspiration
COSA = Cost of Service Analysis
BID = Business Improvement District

GFT = General Fund Transfer
Unk = Unknown at this time
n/a = Not applicable