## TWAIN HARTE COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 24-02

## ESTABLISHING THE SCHEDULE OF CHARGES FOR SEWER SERVICE

WHEREAS, the Twain Harte Community Services District (District) is authorized by the State of California (Government Code Section 61115) to establish rates or other charges for the provision of sewer service; and

WHEREAS, the District adopted the 2023 Water and Sewer Rate Study (Rate Study) on November 8, 2023, which projected that, despite efficiency improvements and grants obtained by the District, the cost of providing sewer service exceeds sewer rate revenue over the next five years; and

WHEREAS, said Rate Study recommends sewer rate increases over a five-year period that will generate revenues that sufficiently cover the costs of providing sewer service, equitably allocate such costs to District customers in proportion to service provided, account for unique District needs, and minimize customer impacts; and

**WHEREAS**, to ensure there are sufficient revenues to provide for provision of sewer services, the District Board of Directors desires to implement such recommended sewer rate increases; and

**WHEREAS**, before the District may increase its sewer rates and charges, it must comply with Article XIII D, Section 6 of the California Constitution (commonly known as Proposition 218), which, among other things, requires a detailed noticing process and provisions for property owners to protest; and

- **WHEREAS**, in compliance with said requirements, on November 8, 2023, the Board authorized staff to prepare and mail a notice of proposed sewer rate increases and set a public hearing to consider adoption of said rates on January 10, 2024; and
- WHEREAS, District staff mailed a Proposition 218 compliant notice of proposed sewer rate increases to affected property owners on or about November 17, 2023 (more than 45 days before the public hearing); and
- WHEREAS, the District held a public hearing on January 10, 2024 (noticed in accordance with Government Code Section 6062) to receive public comments and protests regarding the proposed sewer rate increases; and
- **WHEREAS**, the District considered all protests and determined, at the close of the public hearing, that a majority of protests did not exist; and
- WHEREAS, Section 3.03 of District Ordinance #32 (Wastewater Code) requires the Board to establish a schedule of rates and charges for sewer service by resolution (previously established by Resolution #16-05); and
- WHEREAS, in addition to the schedule of water rates, in accordance with California Government Code Section 53756, the Board desires to adopt a provision to

pass through unanticipated increases in wholesale charges for wastewater treatment, should the District incur any during the established rate schedule; and

**WHEREAS**, the District does not desire to revise water connection charges at this time; and

**WHEREAS**, this resolution is exempt from environmental review pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, Section 15273.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Board of Directors of Twain Harte Community Services District that:

- 1. The above recitals are true; and
- 2. The Schedule of Charges for Sewer Service, attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference, are established with increases becoming effective on the following dates:
  - January 15, 2024
  - July 15, 2024
  - July 15, 2025
  - July 15, 2026
  - July 15, 2027; and
- 3. The Schedule of Charges for Sewer Service is subject to the pass through of unanticipated wholesale wastewater treatment charge increases it incurs during the adopted Schedule of Charges for Sewer Service, as authorized by California Government Code Section 53756. If incurred, the District will comply with all related requirements prior to passing through said increases; and
- 4. This Resolution supersedes Resolution #16-05 and any other resolutions and/or policies inconsistent herewith.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED**, by the Board of Directors of Twain Harte Community Services District after a public hearing at their regular meeting held on January 10, 2024 by the following vote:

AYES: Mannix, Knudson, Bohlman, Sipperley, Dearborn NOES: — ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Gary Sipperley, Board President

ATTEST:

Kimberly Silva, Board Secretary

## EXHIBIT A Schedule of Charges for Sewer Service

Demand Flow Charge (Fixed Monthly)										
DEMAND FLOW	FY 23-24 1/15/24		<b>FY 24-25</b> 7/15/24		<b>FY 25-26</b> 7/15/25		<b>FY 26-27</b> 7/15/26		<b>FY 27-28</b> 7/15/27	
Per Equivalent Single Family Residence (ESFR) Unit	\$	64.82	\$	69.94	\$	74.66	\$	79.25	\$	83.85