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**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

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CWSDH LLC (utility for Dungeness Heights Water System) has asked the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission to approve an application to increase rates. If approved, the new rates will become effective April 1st, 2019. If approved, this increase would generate (approximately) an additional $13,000 in annual revenue which translates to about 25% increase in revenue.

The increase is needed because current rates are too low to fund continuing costs of utility plant. Costs have increased dramatically in 2019, there are daily costs of disinfecting and testing water mandated by the Dept. of Health., anticipated costs of backflow assembly testing and installation, increased costs of insurance, taxes and electricity. There needs to be funds available to recover depreciation expense. Also to promote water conservation and to protect our drinking water. The revenue impact is summarized in the table below:

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| **Monthly Rates – ¾” meter** | **Current Rate** | **Proposed Rate** |
| Base Rate (zero allowance) | $20.00 | $27.50 |
| 0-2000 cubic foot per 100 cubic foot | $1.25 | $1.25 |
| 2,001-4,000 cubic foot per 100 cubic foot | $1.25 | $1.35 |
| Over 8,001 cubic foot per 100 cubic foot | $1.25 | $1.55 |
| (2" meter service multiply by factor of 5.33)  One cubic foot of water = 7.48 gallons | | |
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If you have any questions about the filing and how it will affect you, please call Colin Jackson @360 339 2600

The commission has the authority to set final rates that may be lower or higher than the company’s request, depending on the outcome of its investigation. You can submit comments by going to [utc.wa.gov](http://www.utc.wa.gov) and clicking “Submit a Comment,” or by one of the following options:

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission

1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW

P.O. Box 47250, Olympia, WA  98504-7250

E-mail:  [comments@utc.wa.gov](mailto:comments@utc.wa.gov)

Telephone:  1-888-333-WUTC (9882)

If you know the name of the water system you are on, please include it with your comments.

Commission staff will make a recommendation to the commissioners at an open meeting in Olympia, which is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. on March 28, 2019. You will have an opportunity to comment in person at this meeting. If you are unable to attend the open meeting, you can participate by telephone by calling 360-664-1234 the day before the open meeting for instructions and to sign in. You should also call this number the day before the open meeting to make sure the item is still on the agenda for this open meeting.

The commission is committed to providing reasonable accommodation to participants with disabilities. If you need reasonable accommodation, please contact the commission at (360) 664-1132 or [human\_resources@utc.wa.gov](mailto:human_resources@utc.wa.gov).

Sincerely,

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