

Methow Valley Sanitation Service, Inc.
dba. WasteWise Methow
PO Box 656
Twisp, WA 98856

May 1, 2020

Dear Residential Customer,

This is to notify you of a proposed rate change for residential waste and recycling services in the Towns of Twisp and Winthrop, WA and portions of Okanogan County where Methow Valley Sanitation Service, Inc. d.b.a. WasteWise Methow (the Company) operates. Should the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (the Commission) approve this case, customers will experience a rate increase throughout all classes of service effective June 1, 2020.

It has been six years since the Company's last general rate case. In that time, the Company has absorbed cost increases in key areas including workforce and maintenance. In addition, it is necessary at this time for the Company to replace key equipment to ensure the safest, most reliable service possible. Declines in recycling markets since 2018 make it necessary to increase recycling rates to cover the cost of collection and material processing. If you have questions about the proposed rate increase, please contact the Company at (509) 997-8862.

The Commission has the authority to set final rates that may be either lower or higher than proposed, depending on the results of its investigation. Commission staff will make a recommendation to the Commissioners at an open meeting at Commission Headquarters, 1st Floor Hearing Room, 621 Woodland Square Loop SE Lacey, Washington, at 9:30 a.m. on May 21, 2020. You have the opportunity to comment at this 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. If you plan to attend the open meeting in person, please call (360) 664-1234 the day before to make sure this item is still on the agenda. You can also comment by using the "Public Comment" feature at the commission's Web site at utc.wa.gov or by using the contact information below.

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission

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E-mail: comments@utc.wa.gov Telephone: 1-888-333-WUTC (9882)

<u>Residential Services</u>	<u>Current Rate</u>	<u>Proposed Rate</u>	<u>Increase</u>
64 gallon 2x/month & 32 gallon/week	\$16.90/month	\$20.42/month	\$3.52/month
64 gallon 1x/month & 32 gallon 2x/month	\$9.25/month	\$11.17/month	\$1.92/month
64 gallon weekly	\$23.80/month	\$28.75/month	\$4.95/month
32 gallon 1x/month	\$5.70/month	\$6.89/month	\$1.19/month
3 cans (96 gallons) weekly	\$30.20/month	\$36.48/month	\$6.28/month
4 cans (128 gallons) weekly	\$37.25/month	\$45.00/month	\$7.75/month
Extras	\$3.97/unit	\$4.80/unit	\$0.83/unit
Monthly Recycle Only	-	\$30.00/month	-
Monthly Recycle & Garbage Service	\$22.60/month	\$25.00/month	\$2.40/month

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