Frequently Asked Questions about the New Rates

Why another rate increase?

MOFFAT WATER SUPPLY: Year-over-Year Profit / Loss Summary

	2012 AUDITED	2013 AUDITED	2014 AUDITED	2015 PROJECTED	2016 BUDGET
TOTAL INCOME:	\$1,052,757	\$1,045,048	\$1,030,884	\$1,121,507	\$1,276,895
TOTAL EXPENSE:	\$1,136,596	\$1,193,514	\$1,228,644	\$1,083,317	\$1,216,687
NET INCOME:	(\$83,839)	(\$148,466)	(\$197,760)	\$38,190	\$60,208
Debt Payment - Principal Portion Only	\$37,383	\$78,219	\$59,247	\$57,638	\$60,208
TWDB/USDA Reserve Required 3 mos Operating Exp Reserve Required	\$100,522 \$157,134	\$120,681 \$157,215	\$140,839 \$169,060	\$160,997 \$145,800	\$181,155 \$177,392
Cost of Goods Sold Operating Expense	\$419,012 \$628,537	\$436,032 \$628,859	\$430,494 \$676,242	\$376,600 \$583,200	\$386,172 \$709,568

Per the **Profit & Loss Statement** above, MWSC's 2015 performance is reversing three prior years of loss. Financial accounting treats only the *interest* portion of loan payments as an expense, so we budget enough "profit" to cover principal reduction. **The approved 2016 Net Income of \$60,208 includes covering 2016 debt principal payments.**

Total Income includes revenue from water sales, installation & impact fees, late fees, and a small amount of interest income. Total Expense includes all operating cost for MWSC plus cost of goods sold ¹ and depreciation². You'll notice the 2016 expense line increasing, though still lower than in 2014. To restore MWSC to full-staffing levels, cover higher costs for fuel/water/R&M/supplies plus new depreciation, and to allow profit sufficient to meet debt principal payments with the proposed balanced budget, an increase is necessary.

For the second year in a row, there is <u>no</u> planned profit to put aside as Retained Earnings for future growth or new Capital Improvements.

Where's the benefit from last year's rate increase?

Raising rates last year kept us from losing money and strengthened our Balance Sheet³. Borrowed project funds have been fully converted to new assets in the form of "Property & Equipment." We are meeting all reserve requirements. Long-term Debt is paying down and Equity (net worth after covering all liabilities) is on the rise.

MOFFAT WATER SUPPLY: Year-over-Year Balance Sheet

	2012 AUDITED	2013 AUDITED	2014 AUDITED	2015 PROJECTED	2016 BUDGET
CURRENT ASSETS (CASH, A/R, INVENTORY)	\$808,071	\$440,558	\$335,079	\$413,250	\$695,458
PROPERTY & EQUIPMENT	\$2,504,386	\$3,107,908	\$3,410,399	\$3,688,818	\$3,688,818
OTHER ASSETS (RESERVES, PROJECT FUNDS)	\$1,640,489	\$1,046,869	\$567,115	\$206,076	\$181,655
TOTAL ASSETS:	\$4,952,946	\$4,595,335	\$4,312,593	\$4,308,144	\$4,565,931
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CURRENT LIABILITIES (A/P, CURRENT TAX/DEBT)	\$269,397	\$107,765	\$74,305	\$74,121	\$74,121
LONG-TERM DEBT (net of current portion)	\$3,087,625	\$3,032,422	\$2,974,780	\$2,921,958	\$2,861,750
TOTAL EQUITY (MEMBERSHIPS, RET EARNINGS)	\$1,595,924	\$1,455,149	\$1,263,509	\$1,312,065	\$1,630,061
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY:	\$4,952,946	\$4,595,336	\$4,312,594	\$4,308,143	\$4,565,931

Water purchased from Bluebonnet WSC

² Recognized deterioration of Assets over time that cause our repair & maintenance costs to rise

³ Profit-Loss Statements show Income vs Expenses; a Balance Sheet shows Assets vs Liabilities (or, "what you own vs what you owe.")

What is the Board doing to control costs?

Every member of the Board – and every Staff Member – is also a Customer of Moffat Water Supply. Our shared duty is to ensure SOUND operations, a SAFE drinking supply, and a financially SOLVENT organization.

Last year, the Board cut Expense by 10% overall. This included not filling the Operations Manager position when Mark Truelove assumed the role of General Manager. Unfortunately, MWSC has been severely short-staffed all year, and the Board realizes adding another Certified Operator is necessary. Wages, benefits, and certification cost accounts for 52% of the budgeted increase in 2016 Expense.

Though we've made a number of system improvements, we still use our first well which is over 50 years old. Other infrastructure is aging, and our Repair/Maintenance cost is growing. This accounts for 15% of the Expense increase.

Water cost is up by 11%, Depreciation is up by 18%, and Fuel Cost was underestimated last year by 5%.

2016 Budget Planning - Current Year Projected v 2016 APPROVED

	2015	2016	Difference	
	Projected	APPROVED	\$\$s	%
TOTAL INCOME:	\$1,121,507	\$1,276,895	\$155,388	14%
TOTAL EXPENSE*:	\$1,083,317	\$1,216,687	\$133,370	12%
NET INCOME:	\$38,190	\$60,208	\$22,018	58%
Debt Payment - Principal Portion Only TWDB/USDA Reserve Required 3 mos Operating Exp Reserve Required	\$57,638 \$160,997 \$145,800	\$60,208 \$181,155 \$177,392	\$2,570 \$20,158 \$31,592	4% 13% 22%
Cost of Goods Sold Operating Expense** **Ttl Exp -Int -Water +Depr	\$376,600 \$583,200	\$386,172 \$709,568	\$9,572 \$126,368	3% 22%

How much more will I pay?

Only the Base Rate and the 1-3,000 gallons Tier are changing. Total impact will be a maximum of \$3.95⁴ per month.

Sample Billings Comparison - Current vs NEW Rates eff xx-xx-xx					
<u>Gallons</u>	<u>Current Rates</u>	NEW Rates	<u>Increase</u>	% Chg	
0	\$36.80	\$40.00	\$3.20	8.70%	
1,000	\$40.45	\$43.90	\$3.45	8.53%	
3,000	\$47.75	\$51.70	\$3.95	8.27%	
5,000	\$55.55	\$59.50	\$3.95	7.11%	
10,000	\$77.30	\$81.25	\$3.95	5.11%	
15,000	\$100.55	\$104.50	\$3.95	3.93%	
25,000	\$148.55	\$152.50	\$3.95	2.66%	
50,000	\$275.55	\$279.50	\$3.95	1.43%	
100,000	\$571.55	\$575.50	\$3.95	0.69%	
150,000	\$917.05	\$921.00	\$3.95	0.43%	

⁴ \$3.20 change in Base Rate + 75-cents additional on the first 3,000 gallons