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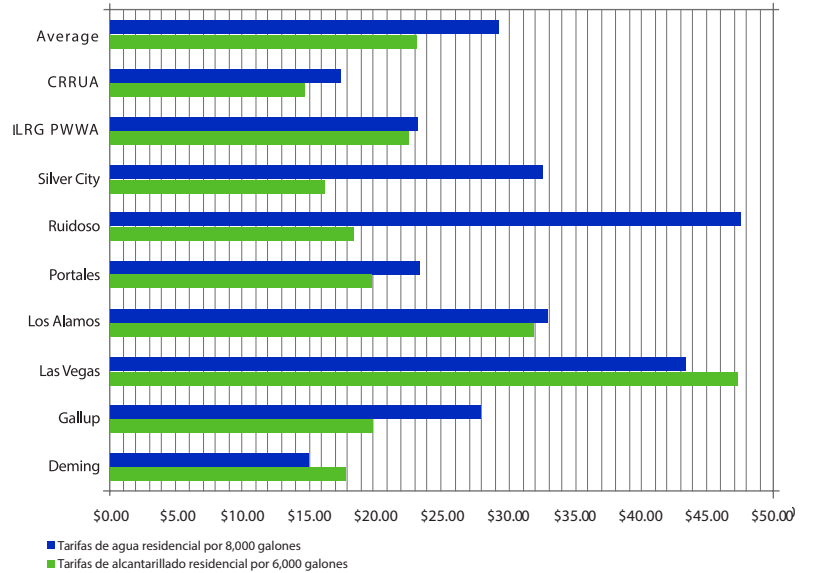
Proposed Residential Rate Increase

The Camino Real Regional Utility Authority (CRRUA) is proposing a residential rate increase that will be discussed and voted on by the CRRUA Board on December 17, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. at the Gadsden Independent School District Board Room located on 4950 McNutt Road, Sunland Park, NM. The proposed rate is needed in order to cover the increasing costs of operation for water and wastewater services, fund capital/infrastructure improvements, and increase the utility's funds availability to fund projects as the service area expands and CRRUA's infrastructure continues to age.

The base rate currently includes 7,000 gallons (for both water and sewer), which is very high compared to other utilities in New Mexico. Also, both water and sewer rates are currently lower than the average for other similarly sized communities in New Mexico. The figure on the right shows how CRRUA rates compare to those of other similarly sized utilities in New Mexico.

Proposed Changes

- * Adds additional tiers of usage to encourage water conservation.
- * Results in a more equitable distribution of costs to users.
- * Decrease in the amount of water included in the base rate from 7,000 gallons to 3,000 gallons.
- * No change to base rate amount for wastewater of 7,000 gallons.
- * Offer reduced water costs for customer consuming 3,000 gallons or less.



Current rate: <7,000 gallons		Proposed Water Rates	
Base Rate: <7,000 gallons	\$19.58	Base Rate: <3,000 gallons	\$15.00
Price per 1,000 gallons		Price per 1,000 gallons	
Tier 1: 7,000 - 11,000 gallons	\$1.66	Tier 1: 3,001 - 7,000 gallons	\$1.50
Tier 2: 11,000 - 15,000 gallons	\$1.81	Tier 2: 7,001 - 12,000 gallons	\$3.00
Tier 3: >15,000 gallons	\$2.01	Tier 3: 12,001 - 20,000 gallons	\$3.00
		Tier 4: 20,001 - 50,000 gallons	\$5.00
		Tier 5: 50,001 - 100,000 gallons	\$10.00
		Tier 5: >100,000 gallons	\$10.00

Current Sewer rates		Proposed Sewer rates	
Base Rate: <7,000 gallons	\$17.49	Base Rate: <7,000 gallons	\$30.00
Unit price per 1,000 gallons	\$3.14	Unit price per 1,000 gallons	\$3.77

