

# 2022 Water Connection Charge (WCC) Study

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## Today's Agenda

- Opening Remarks
- WCC Development Overview
  - Previous studies
  - Current rates
- 2022 WCC Study
  - Program capacity
  - Absorption (assumed growth)
  - 2022 Project list and timing
- Next Steps
  - Schedule
  - Upcoming workshops



# WCC DEVELOPMENT OVERVIEW



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## WCC Development Overview

- PCWA's WCC has been based upon a model that takes into consideration:
  - Available capacity for sale
  - Water connection demand (anticipated connections/absorption)
  - Capital Improvement Plans (new infrastructure to serve available capacity)
  - Debt issuance to meet cash flow needs
- WCC updates every 5± years, or as needed.



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#### 2017 WCC Overview

- Last comprehensive update (which included financial model updates) was completed in 2017, previously was 2014
- 30 MGD Ophir Water Treatment Plant program
  - 15 mgd wholesale, 18 mgd retail
- Results from the 2017 Study:
  - Retail WCC totaling \$18,867
  - Wholesale WCC totaling \$15,295
  - Partnership option totaling \$11,557
  - CAW transmission surcharge of \$1,152 under the wholesale WCC





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### Current WCC Rates (Effective Jan 2022)

- Retail Residential
  - 1 Equivalent Dwelling Unit (EDU) = 1 Unit of Capacity (UOC)
  - 1 UOC = 1,150 GPD Max Day Demand (MDD)
    - 1,000 UOCs=1.15 MGD=2,500 MDUs=1,667 1/10 Acre SFR
  - WCC Rates are updated by ENR annually

#### Residential Assessment of UOC & WCC:

Lot Size (Square Feet)	Assessed UOCs	Assessed WCC	Assessed Meter Size(2)		
MDU (1)	0.4	\$7,995	N/A		
≤ 2,900	0.4	\$7,995	5/8"		
2,901 ≤ 4,400	0.6	\$11,992	5/8"		
4,401 ≤ 5,500	0.7	\$13,991	5/8"		
5,501 ≤ 7,000	0.9	\$17,988	5/8"		
7,001 ≤ 10,000	1.0	\$19,987	5/8"		
10,001 ≤ 17,000	1.2	\$23,984	3/4"		
17,001 ≤ 35,000	1.5	\$29,981	3/4"		
35,000 <	2.5	\$49,968	1"		

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Multi-Dwelling Unit (MDU) UOC assessment is per unit and only. A separate metering for outdoor water use is require

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(2) Assessed meter sizes are for monthly billing purposes only. Residential meters may be upsized up to a 1" meter to accommodate fire sprinkler system requirements. The meter set fee of actual meter size installed shall be used when upsized for fire sprinkler systems.



# **2022 WCC STUDY**



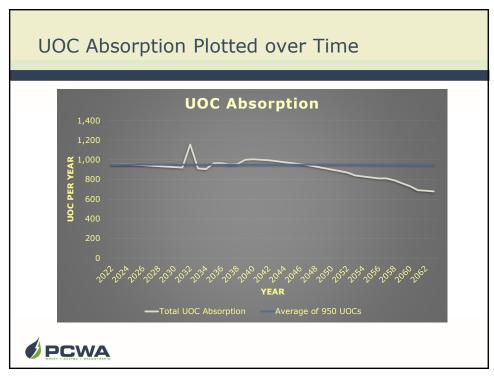
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# Absorption (Assumed Growth)

Year	Assumed Growth Analyzed	Assumption
2014	600 to 1,800 UOCs per year for 30 years	constant growth
2017	848 UOCs/year average - variable	Growth varied throughout the 30-year period
2022	950 UOCs/year - normalized Retail: 540 UOCs/year Wholesale: 410 UOCs/year	Constant growth simplified approach



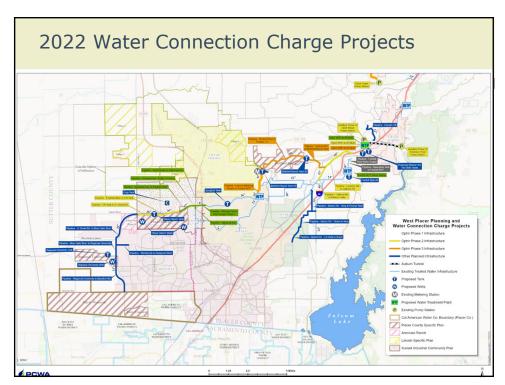




# Updated Water Connection Charge

Year	Retail WCC per UOC	Wholesale WCC per UOC1		
2014	\$17,307	13,586		
2017	\$18,867	\$15,295		
Current	\$19,987	\$16,203		
Note: 1) Amount does not include any applicable surcharges.				





# 2022 WCC Study Schedule & Closing Remarks

#### Schedule

- June 28: WCC kickoff
- July 26: Stakeholder Workshop
  - Feedback on projects and timing by August 9.
- August 16: Present Final Project List
- Fall Workshops
  - Financial Analysis
  - Results
- PCWA Board (target early 2023)

2022 WCC documents are available at:

https://www.pcwa.net/about-pcwa/environmental-planning



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### Questions, Comments, and Information

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