

The Rio Linda / Elverta WaterWays

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1/20/2022 – 3/20/2022 Billing Period



Bills will be mailed no later than March 31, 2022, for the period of 1/20/2022 to 3/20/2022. The fee free date is on **April 20, 2022**. ** Late fee of \$5.00 will be applied to all outstanding bills on **April 21, 2022**. Also, please note that there is \$50.00 charge for any afterhours turn on. **Payment arrangements can be made in the District Office or found on the district's website. Office hours are Monday thru Friday, 7:00am to 4:00pm. Payment arrangements must be made at least one

day before the Free Fee Date. For this billing cycle, payment arrangements must be made by April 19th. Payments can be made online, via postal service, and at the District Office's night depository slot located next to main door for checks and money orders. Reminder, the District Office does **Not Accept Cash**.

Drought-Executive Order N-7-22



On March 28th, the California Governor issued Executive Order N-7-22, which requires all urban water purveyors to declare a stage 2 water shortfall. The stated objective of the Governor's Order is to inspire a 20% reduction (conservation) in water use. Unless Executive Order N-7-22 is modified or suspended, the action by Governor Newsom will require RLECWD to implement its Water Shortfall Contingency Plan by May 25, 2022. Such action will result in increased

volumetric rates, the cost per unit of water will be mandatorily increased. This action is not subject to RLECWD Board of Directors discretion. i.e., the RLECWD Board has no choice but to comply with the Governor's mandate or risk enforcement actions from the State Water Resources Control Board and Dept. of Water Resources. Through unilateral action by Governor Newsom, the RLECWD volumetric residential water rates could be mandated to increase from \$1.72 per unit (each unit = 748-gallons), to \$2.34 per unit. Further stage 2 restrictions include establishing watering days based on odd and even street addresses. Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-7-22 can be accessed at:

https://rlecwd-my.sharepoint.com/:b:/p/gm/EWbmHRJFXU9BoHKGPb2_yf0Bq_e6mvmK6Q3n6pk73tPBGQ?e=nOXkpi

The April 4th Executive Committee (public meeting) will further discuss the implementation of the Governor's Executive Order, N-7-22.

COVID-19 Emergency Rent & Utilities Assistance Program

The state indicated that the moratorium on termination of residential water service for nonpayment has NOT been extended. For more information on eligibility or how to apply, please to go www.shra.org/sera.

APPLICATION PERIOD
May 11, 2021 onwards
www.shra.org/sera

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

- Rent your home in the City or County of Sacramento
- Have experienced job loss or financial hardship due to COVID-19
- Behind in rent and/or utilities or inability to remain current on rent
- Current gross household income must be at or below low income limits

Household of	GROSS HOUSEHOLD LOW INCOME LIMITS							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Low Income	\$25,750	\$38,000	\$50,250	\$72,500	\$94,750	\$117,000	\$139,250	\$161,500

HOW TO APPLY:

- Apply online at www.shra.org/sera from Tuesday, May 11, 2021 onwards. The application period is not closing at this time.
- Community organizations that can assist you with the application process are listed at www.shra.org/sera.
- Both landlords and renters can apply.

If you submitted an application during the first opening (February 25 - March 19, 2021), please do not re-apply again. You can check your status at www.shra.org/sera. Use your original log in for access. For program details, go to www.shra.org/sera. Email: sera@shra.org

Join us in Taking the 10-Minute Leak Challenge

The average home wastes nearly 10,000 gallons of water per year from easy-to-fix household leaks; that is equivalent to washing 300 loads of laundry (or enough to do laundry for 10 months)! It is easy! You could spend just 10 minutes walking your home checking for leaks. Or you can do one thing each day from our checklist below for just a couple of minutes:

- **Check your water bill for January;** if a family of four uses more than 12,000 gallons of water in a month, you may have a leak.
- **Read your water meter before and after a two-hour period** when no one is using water. If the number changes, you may have a leak!
- **Use pipe tape or a wrench to ensure tight connections** where showerheads attach.
- **Check faucet washers and gaskets** for wear and replace them if necessary.
- **Check for toilet** leaks by placing a drop of food coloring in the toilet tank. If the color shows up in the bowl within a few minutes, you may need a new flapper. Flush afterward to avoid staining the tank.

Take the 10-Minute Leak Challenge!
You could save...

- 10 thousand gallons of water per year
- 10 percent on water and sewer bills
- 10 months of water to wash laundry

March 15-21, 2021
Fix a Leak Week

WaterSense and Water Smart logos.

Report Water Waste



Email us or Call Us

You can report water waste issues by contacting our Customer Service at [our email](mailto:customer@rlc.wd.net) or call us at 916-991-1000 with the address and information about the water waste.

Thanks for working together to save our water.

2022 Billing Schedule

The district has the 2022 billing schedule available at the district office and on the website at www.rlecwd.com.