



Monterey Regional Waste Management District

Turning Waste Into Resources

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DISPOSAL FEE CHANGES

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Effective July 1, 2017, the Monterey Regional Waste Management District will increase disposal fees for major material types approximately 8.2%. The Tipping Fee for Solid Waste disposal increases by \$4.25 per ton, from \$51.75 to \$56.00. Fees for Yard Waste and Food Scraps increase commensurately. Fees for all other material types would remain unchanged, as do all minimum fees.

BACKGROUND

All fees have been unchanged since January 1, 2014. The increase is required to fund operations for FY 2017/18. Operating expenses have grown, in part, due to three and a half years of business cost escalators, including contractual salary cost of living increases, PERS retirement contributions and general business cost inflation. In addition, the District is planning capital investment that is necessary to keep pace with mandated regulatory compliance obligations and support on-going business operations. The proposed changes are estimated to raise revenue by \$951,500 in FY 2017/18.

The fee increases are estimated to raise monthly bills for both residential and commercial customers by between 1.3% and 2.6%. By way of example, the monthly charge for a residential customer with a 32-gallon weekly service will increase by an average of \$0.33. At \$56.00 per ton, the District's Solid Waste disposal rate will continue to be the lowest in the region.

Material Type	Current Rate	Rate Effective 7/1/17
Solid Waste	\$51.75/ton	\$56.00/ton
Fee increase: \$4.25/ton. The last Solid Waste fee increase was \$3.50 in January 2014. Revenue impact: based on 200,000 tons estimated in FY 2017/18 - \$850,000 increase.		
Yard Waste	\$30.00/ton	\$32.50/ton
Fee increase: \$2.50/ton. The last Yard Waste fee increase was \$6.50 in January 2014. Revenue impact: based on 35,000 tons estimated in FY 2017/18 - \$87,500 increase.		
Food Scraps	\$42.00/ton	\$45.50/ton
Fee increase: \$3.50/ton. The last Food Scraps fee increase was \$4.00 in January 2014. Revenue impact: based on 4,000 tons estimated in FY 2017/18 - \$14,000 increase.		