

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING FOR A RATE INCREASE

Proposal

Lake Alpine Water Company (LAWC) has requested authorization from the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) through Advice Letter 149A to increase its water revenues by \$136,697, or 16.77% for test year 2026. The last general rate increase became effective December 5, 2024, by Resolution W-5286. The rates were adjusted in June 2025, by the Consumer Price Index.

The average bill for a metered residential customer consuming 2.0 CCF per month would increase from \$135.83 to \$144.95, or 6.64%. All customers also pay the Safe Drinking Water State Fund surcharge, currently \$22.95 per month per residence. This surcharge will expire in 2028.

After reviewing LAWC’s expenses and investments in treatment plant improvements, LAWC requests a rate increase to maintain operating revenues and to fund continued investments in the system infrastructure.

Customer Impact

<u>Quantity Rate:</u>	<u>Present Rates</u>	<u>Proposed Rates</u>
All usage per 100 cu.ft.	\$ 10.21	\$ 10.89
 <u>Service Charge:</u>	<u>Per Meter per Month</u>	
For 5/8x3/4-inch meter	\$ 115.41	\$ 123.07
For condo unit service	115.41	123.07
For 3/4-inch meter	173.12	184.60
For 1-inch meter	288.53	307.66
For 1-1/2-inch meter	577.06	615.33
For 2-inch meter	923.30	984.52
For 4-inch meter	2885.30	3076.63

The Commission staff will make a thorough investigation of the utility’s request. Following the investigation, the Commission may grant the utility’s request in whole or in part or may deny it. It may also order the utility to charge rates different from those shown in this notice.

The Commission staff will hold a public meeting on June 1, 2026 from 5 pm in the Cathedral Lounge in the Bear Valley Lodge. The public meeting is informal and affords customers the opportunity to ask questions and express their views. LAWC will have representatives there to explain the reasons for the proposed increase. Likewise, there will be a Commission Staff representative who will conduct the meeting and explain how the staff will analyze the proposed rates and fee increases.

California law requires the company to show to the Commission’s satisfaction that an increase is justified before it may raise its rates. Customers who would like to call the Commission’s attention to any problems concerning their water service, or who would like to provide any other information or comments regarding this requested increase should do so at the public meeting and/or should write to the Commission.

Summary

The Annual Service Charge is applicable to all metered services regardless of water use. The Commission regulatory oversight fee is 0.07% of all charges.

Public Meeting

Lake Alpine Water Company and the California Public Utilities Commission will host a public hearing on Monday, June 1, 2026, at 5:00 PM in the Cathedral Lounge in the Bear Valley Lodge. This is an opportunity to ask questions about your water service and to discuss the rate request with the commission.

We look forward to seeing you.

Kimi Johnson, General Manager, Lake Alpine Water Company, Inc.