

PROTEST BALLOT

This Protest Ballot is provided for the convenience of property owners and wastewater (sewer) service account holders of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District (District). It may be used to file a protest against the increased wastewater (sewer) rates and charges proposed by the District. Regardless of how many protests are submitted for a property, only one valid protest will be counted for each parcel receiving wastewater (sewer) service from the District.

To be counted, a valid protest must be **received** by the District no later than the close of the public comment portion of the Public Hearing to be conducted on Thursday, February 15, 2024 beginning at 6:30 p.m. Protest Ballots can be submitted as follows:

1. By mail addressed to San Lorenzo Valley Water District, Wastewater Rate Protest, 13060 Highway 9, Boulder Creek, CA 95006.
2. By depositing it in a District drop box, at one of the following drop box locations:
 - a. Main Office, 13060 Highway 9, Boulder Creek, CA (last pickup at 3:00 p.m.)
 - b. Felton Treatment Plant, 195 Kirby Street, Felton, CA (last pickup at 6:00 a.m.).
3. By email to Prop218@slvwd.com.
4. In person at the February 15, 2024 meeting located at the San Lorenzo Valley Water District Conference Room, 12788 Hwy 9, Boulder Creek, CA 95006. Note ballots must be completed and signed. All ballots must be received by the District Secretary prior to the close of the public comment portion of the Public Hearing on the Water Rates.

Note: Fold and insert the ballot in an envelope and seal the envelope before mailing, placing in a drop box, or delivering in person.

If according to the final tabulation of the ballots, ballots submitted against the rate increase are received from a simple majority of 50 percent of the total accounts plus one, the District shall not adjust the water rates. **Any Protest Ballot received late by the District will not be counted, regardless of when it was sent.**

To be valid, this Protest Ballot must clearly show **all** of the requested information, as follows:

1. Identify the individual who is submitting this Protest Ballot:

I (print your name) _____ (Property Owner or Wastewater (Sewer) Account Holder of Record) do hereby PROTEST the District's proposed wastewater (sewer) rates and charges increase.

2. Specifically identify the property(ies) receiving wastewater (sewer) service from the District for which this Protest Ballot is being submitted, by completing at least one or more of the following:

Assessor's Parcel Number (APN): _____

Unique Street Address: _____

Customer Wastewater (Sewer) Account Number: _____

3. Sign and date this Protest Ballot:

Signature of the individual whose name is printed above: _____

Date of signature: (month) _____ (day) _____, 20__

Once the District receives this Protest Ballot, it will be a public record, and it may be produced for public inspection, including all the information entered on it.

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