

OHWD Groundwater Sustainability Regulatory Fee Corrections and Appeals

OHWD will consider and, if approved, levy, a regulatory fee on all groundwater irrigated agricultural parcels within its boundaries. The proposed fee levy is calculated based on (1) your parcel's total groundwater irrigated acreage as calculated by the California Department of Water Resources Land Use Data for 2018; and (2) your parcel designation as an agricultural property, based on Sacramento County zoning. Your parcel's proposed fee, together with supporting information regarding the fee's calculation, can be found:

http://ohwd.org/SGMA_Fee_Study_Proposal.html

If you believe that your fee calculation is incorrect, please contact the District as follows:

info@ohwd.org

P.O. Box 211

Wilton, CA 95693-0211

PRIOR TO AUGUST 2, 2021:

If you believe that either the total groundwater irrigated acreage or the zoning is incorrect, please notify the District in writing. You should provide sufficient documentation as to your parcel's zoning or groundwater use to allow the District to review your claim and, if necessary, update your fee amount prior to levying the fee.

Corrections prior to August 2, 2021 will be administrative in nature. If your request for correction is not accepted by the District, or you wish to further appeal the fee levy as adopted, you may do so as outlined below.

AFTER AUGUST 2, 2021:

If adopted, the District's fee levy will be submitted to the County for collection on all affected parcels. If you wish to appeal the fee for your property(ies), including the number of Irrigated Acres upon which the fee is charged, you must first pay the fee and attach your receipt to the completed appeal form. Then using this form, set forth the basis upon which the appeal is made.

Your appeal will be considered timely filed if it is postmarked or delivered by email no later than 30 days after your payment of the fee. District staff is authorized to grant the appeal, in whole or in part, or deny the appeal, and must act within 15 days of receiving the appeal. If the Person who filed the appeal is dissatisfied with the determination of the District Staff, the Person may file an appeal to the District Board of Directors within fifteen (15) days of delivery of the determination, following procedures adopted by the Board. The Board of Directors will issue a determination on the appeal, which will be final.