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# Oro Loma Board of Directors Approve Residential Sewer Rate Reduction

On February 20, 2007, the Board approved rescinding a sewer service rate increase that was due to take effect on July 1, 2007, and approved maintaining the residential rate at its then-current rate of \$193 per year.

The Finance and Insurance Committee, at its meeting of April 11, 2008, analyzed the District's cash position and concluded that due to a favorable cash position, and planned reductions in the number of construction projects, the District would be able to lower its residential sewer service rates, and pass the savings on to its customers. The Board discussed the findings of the Finance and Insurance Committee, and made a recommendation to approve the proposed decreased rates at a public hearing that was held June 3, 2008, at 3:00 p.m., at the District offices, in accordance with the California Health and Safety Code, which requires the District to hold a public hearing regardless of whether rates are increased or decreased.

The newly-decreased annual residential sewer service rates, effective July 1, 2008, are as follows:

| J                           | uly 1, 2007 | July 1, 2008 |
|-----------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Single Family Dwelling      | \$193.00    | \$178.00     |
| Multiple Family Dwelling    | \$178.78    | \$178.00     |
| Mobile Homes/House Trailers | \$146.58    | \$145.00     |
| Minimum Charge              | \$146.58    | \$145.00     |

The estimated annual financial impact of the proposed action on the District's cash position will be a decrease in revenue of \$452,100 per year.

Oro Loma's single family residential sewer rate of \$178.00 per year is the lowest in Alameda County.

# **September 2008 E-Waste Event**

Over 106,990 pounds of obsolete and unwanted electronic equipment was dropped off at Oro Loma's first e-waste event held on February 9, 2008. Because this event was such a great success, Oro Loma has scheduled a second e-waste event for September 13, 2008 in the Arroyo High School parking lot. This event, like the one in February, will be free and open to everyone who wants to safely and legally dispose of unwanted electronic devices, such as computers, laptops, monitors, TVs, cell phones, disk drives, and printers. Participants do not need to be Oro Loma customers to take advantage of this opportunity. E-waste is considered part of universal waste. Since February 8, 2006 it has been illegal in California to dispose of universal waste in the trash.



Some of the electronic equipment collected last February in the first Oro Loma e-waste collection event