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## PWD TO HOLD PUBLIC **WORKSHOP ON OCT. 23 TO DISCUSS FIVE-YEAR REVENUE ADJUSTMENTS**

Palmdale, CA – Palmdale Water District (PWD) will hold an inperson community workshop on Wednesday, Oct. 23, to provide the public with information about the proposed five-year revenue increases starting in January 2025.

Property owners and residents within PWD's service boundaries are invited to attend the Proposition 218 Rate Study workshop scheduled for 5-6:30 p.m. at the District, 2029 East Avenue Q, Palmdale. A professional Spanish interpreter will be available for attendees.

"We encourage anyone wanting more information about the Rate Study, including how the revenue adjustments were calculated and details about changes in monthly rates, to attend the workshop," said General (more)

Manager Dennis D. LaMoreaux. "There will be a formal presentation, followed by opportunities for one-on-one conversations with staff."

The PWD Board voted unanimously on Sept. 16 to support a plan that would increase revenue by 11% in 2025 and 2026, 9% in 2027 and 2028, and 8% in 2029. The increases would allow PWD to meet all operations costs, fund \$249.4 million worth of capital improvement projects and ensure reserves meet the targeted \$39.4 million at the end of the five-year plan.

A Rate Study public hearing will be held at 6 p.m. on Nov. 4 at PWD prior to the Board voting on the proposed rates. Written public protests must be submitted to PWD before the end of the public hearing. The official Public Hearing Notice, which has the criteria for filing a formal protest, has been mailed to all property owners within the District's service boundaries. Both the notice and the Rate Study are available at PWD's main office and on PWD's website at <a href="https://www.palmdalewater.org">www.palmdalewater.org</a>.

Since 1918, the Palmdale Water District has provided high-quality water at a reasonable cost. We pride ourselves on providing great customer care; advocating for local water issues that help our residents; educating the community on water-use efficiency; and leading our region in researching and implementing emerging technologies that increase operational efficiency.