AGENDA FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING DELTA DIABLO (a California Special District)

2500 Pittsburg-Antioch Highway | Antioch, CA 94509 (Note: There will be no in-person meeting at the District.) FRIDAY, APRIL 17, 2020 10:00 A.M.

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A. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- B. REVIEW AND COMMENT ON PRELIMINARY SEWER SERVICE CHARGE ANALYSIS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020/2021 AND DRAFT PROPOSITION 218 NOTICE
- C. ADJOURNMENT

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MEMORANDUM

Date:

April 17, 2020

To:

Sean Wright, Chair, Finance Committee

From:

Carol S. Margetich, Business Services Director 746

SUBJECT:

REVIEW AND COMMENT ON PRELIMINARY SEWER SERVICE CHARGE

ANALYSIS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020/2021 AND DRAFT PROPOSITION 218

NOTICE

RECOMMENDATION

1) Review and comment on proposed Sewer Service Charge (SSC) increases for Fiscal Year 2020/2021 (FY20/21).

- 2) Review and comment on draft Proposition 218 Notice addressing proposed SSC increases and notifying property owners of the public hearing on this matter.
- 3) Approve submitting the proposed FY20/21 SSC, draft Proposition 218 Notice, and public hearing date for consideration at the April 23, 2020 Board meeting.

Summary

The proposed rate increases include:

- Applying a 3.5% SSC rate increase for Antioch (District Zone 3) and Pittsburg (District Zone 2) residential and non-residential customers in FY20/21. The proposed rate increase (does not include wastewater collection services, which are provided by the respective cities) equates to an SSC increase of \$13.63 per year or approximately \$1.14 per month for residential customers.
- Applying a 3.0% SSC rate increase to Bay Point (District Zone 1) residential and non-residential customers in FY20/21. The proposed rate increase (includes wastewater collection services provided by the District) equates to an SSC increase of \$16.21 per year or approximately \$1.35 per month for residential customers.

No Proposed Street Sweeping Charge Increase

- Annual street sweeping charges, which vary by community, are not proposed to increase.
 - Annual single-family residential: \$4.58 for Bay Point, \$10.26 for Pittsburg, \$5.60 for Antioch
 - Annual non-residential unit: \$45.80 for Bay Point, \$51.35 for Pittsburg, \$56.00 for Antioch

Background Information

Delta Diablo is a California special district that provides wastewater conveyance and treatment, recycled water production and distribution, renewable energy production, pollution prevention, street sweeping, and household hazardous waste (HHW) collection services to over 213,000 customers in Antioch, Pittsburg, and Bay Point. As a progressive "Utility of the Future," the District embraces innovative approaches, sustainable solutions, and community engagement in achieving its core mission of

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protecting public health and the environment, while maintaining reasonable rates and serving as responsible stewards of the public's resources and trust. For Bay Point, the District also provides wastewater collection services, and only Bay Point customers are charged for those additional services through a separate SSC component to recover wastewater collection system operating, maintenance, and rehabilitation costs (Bay Point Collections). SSC revenues are not used to pay for any capital costs related to growth, which is funded through the District's Capital Facilities Capacity Charges (CFCCs). The District's SSC revenue is allocated to several key funds to support ongoing operations, as well as capital investment in existing and future infrastructure, as described below.

- 1. <u>Regional Treatment and Conveyance</u>: Funds facility operation and maintenance (O&M) costs associated with regional wastewater conveyance and treatment, as well as the District's share of the Delta HHW facility expenses.
- 2. <u>Capital Asset</u>: Funds new wastewater capital projects that are not related to new growth (the District charges separate CFCCs for growth-related capital costs).
- 3. Capital Asset Replacement: Funds capital infrastructure renewal and replacement projects.
- 4. <u>Advanced Treatment Reserve</u>: This fund is designed to minimize significant future rate increases by providing dedicated funding to meet a future, more stringent regulatory requirement for advanced wastewater treatment (i.e., removal of nutrients from treated wastewater prior to discharge).
- 5. <u>Bay Point Collections</u>: This SSC rate component is only collected for Bay Point customers and funds operation and maintenance/rehabilitation of the Bay Point collection system.

Each year, the District submits required information to Contra Costa County to place SSCs on the property tax roll for most customers. The wastewater sector is heavily regulated with new and emerging issues competing with aging infrastructure needs, operating budget challenges (e.g., chemical, energy, hauling costs) regulatory compliance obligations, and limited state and federal funding support. Staff endeavors to meet these challenges while ensuring the District's SSCs are amongst the lowest when compared to its peer agencies in the Bay Area region.

Analysis

In order to determine annual revenue requirements to meet operating cost and capital investment needs, the District utilizes a long-term financial rate model that considers a 10-year planning horizon while focusing on balancing revenues and costs by fund over the next 5 years through application of SSC increases, operating cost reductions, prioritization of capital investment needs, and financing assumptions (i.e., cash funding versus debt financing). Key model inputs include the preliminary FY20/21 operating budget with estimated increases in subsequent years and the draft FY20/21-FY24/25 Capital Improvement Program (CIP), which will be presented to the Board for consideration in draft and final form in May and June 2020, respectively. In developing the proposed FY20/21 SSCs, staff worked with an experienced financial planning consultant to refine the District's rate modeling approach to effectively support dynamic scenario planning and sensitivity analyses across a range of operating cost, capital investment, existing fund balance use, and financing assumptions, while meeting the District's fiscal policy requirements. This approach ensures the District is charging rates that are appropriate to cover costs of providing service and in compliance with California law, including Proposition 218.

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Following completion of the rate modeling analysis, staff has determined that the proposed FY20/21 SSC increase is required and meets the following requirements:

- Collect sufficient revenue to meet current and long-term projected costs of operations and maintenance, fund capital investment in aging infrastructure necessary to maintain effective and reliable services, and maintain overall financial stability
- Comply with state-mandated regulatory requirements
- Meet and comply with annual debt service requirements
- Avoid generating operational deficits and depleting reserves
- Comply with California Constitution Article XIII D, Section 6, which includes the following requirements:
 - An agency cannot collect revenue beyond what is necessary to provide service
 - No charge may be imposed for a service unless that service is actually used or immediately available to the owner of the property
 - Revenues derived from the charge shall not be used for any other purpose other than that for which the charge was imposed
 - The amount of the charge must be proportional to the cost of the service, and the apportionment of total costs of service amongst ratepayer classes must be reasonable (e.g., avoidance of subsidization within the rates)
- Meet District fiscal policy to maintain a minimum reserve balance of 40 percent of annual budgeted operating expenditures in the Regional Treatment and Conveyance (Wastewater O&M) Fund
- Meet commitments made in loan agreements

In June 2019, the Board adopted an FY19/20 SSC increase of 4.5% for Antioch/Pittsburg customers and 3.5% for Bay Point customers. At that time, staff projected a future FY20/21 SSC increase of 4.5% for Antioch/Pittsburg customers (current proposed SSC increase = 3.5%) and 3.5% for Bay Point customers (current proposed SSC increase = 3.0%). The proposed FY20/21 SSC increase is presented in Table 1 below (refer to attached draft Proposition 218 Notice for increases to non-residential customers).

Table 1 – Example Annual Single-Family Residential SSC on Property Tax Bills for FY20/21

Residential Service	Current FY19/20	Proposed FY20/21	Annual Change
3.5% SSC Increase for Customers in Antioch (Zone 3*) and Pittsburg (Zone 2*)	\$389.47	\$403.10	\$13.63
3.0% SSC Increase for Customers in Bay Point (Zone 1*) (includes wastewater collection services)	\$540.26	\$556.47	\$16.21

^{*}As shown on Map of Zones 1, 2, and 3 on file with the Board Clerk.

The following key considerations and assumptions were used in completing the SSC analysis:

- Growth: Although the current rate of growth in the District's service area is relatively low (i.e., 5-year average of 400 equivalent residential units per year), the District factors in this growth in calculating SSCs each year to ensure equitable cost allocation across all District customers.
- Operating Expenses. The District continues to experience progressive increases in annual operating
 costs over time due to escalations in chemical, energy, materials, supplies, equipment, hauling, and
 services costs, as well as increasingly more stringent regulatory requirements. When specific cost

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forecasts were not available, an annual operating expense increase of 3.1% was assumed in the rate model forecast based on the Bureau of Labor Statistics Consumer Price Index 5-year average for the San Francisco Bay Area region.

- Salaries and Benefits. The labor cost assumption was based on budgeted salaries and benefits based on positions included in existing labor agreements. Total salary and benefits costs were increased by 3.2% annually.
- Wastewater Infrastructure Investment Costs. As presented to the Board on March 11, 2020, the District continues to implement major capital improvements to ensure the continued reliability of its wastewater conveyance, collection, and treatment infrastructure. The draft FY20/21-FY24/25 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) includes approximately \$71 million of prioritized wastewater conveyance and treatment system infrastructure investment needs; in addition, staff intends to conduct a detailed facility condition assessment effort at the District's Wastewater Treatment Plant later this year as part of the current Resource Recovery Facility Master Plan scope, which will likely identify additional capital needs for future prioritization. It should be noted that the draft CIP also includes \$8.3 million for the new Antioch Pump Station and Conveyance System Improvements Project, which was not included in the current FY19/20-FY23/24 CIP. This project was initiated following Board approval on January 15, 2020 and was developed in response to failure of Antioch Force Main 102 on December 3, 2019.
- Financing Assumptions: Because the Clean Water State Revolving Fund is oversubscribed, the District will likely have significantly less access to low-interest loans (i.e., ~2.0% for wastewater projects, ~1.0% for recycled water projects). In response, the District continues to maintain a focus on cash funding the majority of its CIP to provide the lowest cost of capital to its customers, while maintaining future debt capacity for secondary process capacity expansion and long-term nutrient removal (Advanced Treatment), as described below.
- Advanced Treatment (AT) Reserve Fund: The District continues to modify its original approach to collecting revenues for the AT Fund, which was proactively established in 2011 to avoid sharp rate increases to customers due to implementation of nutrient removal upgrades at the District's Wastewater Treatment Plant. In recent years, the District has successfully collaborated with regulators, the scientific community, and other Bay Area Clean Water Agencies members to focus on nutrient impact analyses and water quality modeling in San Francisco Bay rather than the future imposition of regional nutrient removal permit limits. The key outcome of this collaborative effort has been an approximate 10-year extension in the originally-anticipated implementation timeline. In response to the implementation timeline extension, the Board has taken actions to reduce and eliminate planned AT Fund SSC component increases in June 2018 and June 2019, respectively. As presented at the Board Meeting on March 11, 2020, in addition to the timeline extension, staff has estimated that the initial capital cost for nutrient management is lower than originally anticipated and will most likely be combined with a secondary treatment capacity plant expansion. Based on this new information and the anticipated timeline for using these funds, staff has eliminated the SSC rate component contribution in the 5-year rate model analysis. Furthermore, staff has included a \$5 million inter-fund loan from the AT Fund to the Capital Asset Replacement (CAR) Fund in FY20/21 to support cash funding major infrastructure improvement projects. The inter-fund load term will be consistent with the new timeline for planned use of AT Reserve Fund monies. Elimination of the AT

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Fund SSC component has allowed staff to increase revenue to the CAR Fund, which has eliminated approximately \$20 million in assumed debt financing from last year's 5-year rate analysis.

- Regulatory Requirements. Because the wastewater sector is highly regulated, the District is subject to new requirements, such as unfunded mandated programs, increasingly stringent process monitoring and reporting requirements, and/or compliance with updated testing standards.
- Economic Reserves. Maintaining sufficient economic reserves is an essential part of the District's ability to ensure reliable and cost-effective services now and in the future. As referenced above, the District has established a policy to maintain a minimum reserve balance of 40 percent of annual budgeted operating expenditures in the Regional Treatment and Conveyance (Wastewater O&M) Fund. In addition, all fund balances are considered in the 5-year rate model analysis that resulted in the proposed SSC increases. A number of these funds are designated to support multiple District services (beyond wastewater operations) and are constrained as to their use, applicability, and consideration as "available cash." Maintaining economic reserves supports the District's efforts to meet unanticipated operating costs, continue services during unforeseen economic events and emergencies, and address other urgent and/or unusual items. Future capital planning is a cost of current service, because current service does not just include providing wastewater conveyance and treatment service today, but also ensuring ongoing, reliable service into the future.
- Debt Service Coverage. The District is obligated to meet debt service coverage requirements related to long-term debt as part of various loan agreements. On November 13, 2019, the Board adopted a Debt Management and Continuing Disclosure Policy, which included a minimum debt service coverage ratio (ratio of net revenues to debt service) of 1.80, which helps maintaining the District's good credit rating, reduce future borrowing costs, and ensure long-term financial sustainability.

Inter-fund Loans

Inter-fund loan repayments are also planned from the Capital Expansion fund to the CAR fund to repay funds previously borrowed to cover anticipated shortfalls in CFCC revenue and CFCC-funded debt service. Because the Capital Expansion fund is funded by new development through CFCCs, the loan payments include interest based on Local Agency Investment Fund interest rates. The first repayments to the CAR fund and Regional Treatment and Conveyance System (Wastewater O&M) fund began in FY17/18, because the existing bonded debt was retired in FY16/17. Inter-fund load repayments of \$0.9 million to the CAR fund are planned in FY20/21.

As referenced above, the 5-year SSC analysis includes a loan of \$5 million from the AT Reserve Fund to the CAR fund to support cash funding of major capital improvement projects (i.e., Headworks Improvement Project) in the near term. Based on the extended timeline for AT Fund use, no loan repayment is included in the 5-year rate model analysis.

Street Sweeping Services

Street sweeping service charges are not proposed to increase next year, as they are sufficient to cover the costs of providing these services.

Public Communication and Outreach

In compliance with Article XIII D, Section 6 of the California Constitution, and Government Code Section 53750, *et seq.*, notices on proposed rate increases are planned to be sent to all utility customer

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accounts by May 1, 2020 (a minimum of 45 days prior to the public hearing in June) (refer to attachment). The Notice outlines the process for protesting the proposed rate increases. Protest ballots can be mailed or hand delivered to the District on or before the public hearing date, or in person at the public hearing in June. In addition, pursuant to Government Code requirements, notices of the public hearing will be published twice in the East County Times. At the close of the public hearing, the Secretary to the Board will announce the total number of protest responses. If written protests against the proposed rate increases are presented by a majority of the parcel owners in the District's service area, the District cannot implement the SSC rate adjustments.

If the state and local COVID-19 emergencies remain in effect in June, the meeting agenda posted prior to the June Board meeting will inform members of the public as to how the public hearing will be conducted in accordance with applicable laws, health orders, and Governor's executive orders then in effect.

Fiscal Impact

With the proposed rate increase, Pittsburg and Antioch residential customers would see an estimated increase of \$13.63 per year or approximately \$1.14 per month, an increase of 3.5%. Bay Point residential customers would see an estimated annual increase of \$16.21 or approximately \$1.35 per month, an increase of 3.0%. The proposed SSC increases for Pittsburg, Antioch, and Bay Point customers in FY20/21 will result in additional annual SSC revenue of approximately \$1.09 million.

Following implementation of the proposed SSC increase, the District's cost for providing wastewater conveyance and treatment services would remain amongst the lowest when compared to peer agencies in the San Francisco Bay Area region. A comparison of total rates for wastewater collection and treatment services, including District SSCs and wastewater collection rates for Antioch and Pittsburg, to regional peer agencies will be included in the presentation to the Finance Committee.

Attachment

Draft Proposition 218 Notice

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cc: District File CORP.07-CORRES-XXX Chron File



Notice of Proposed Sewer Service Charge Rate Increases for Fiscal Year 2020/2021

Proposition 218 Notification to Property Owners of Public Hearing

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Delta Diablo Board of Directors will hold a public hearing on **Wednesday**, **June XX**, **2020 at 5:30 p.m. in the Board Room at 2500 Pittsburg-Antioch Highway**, **Antioch**, **California**, to consider adoption of proposed rate adjustments for wastewater utility services. A summary of the proposed rates, key financial drivers, and instructions for protesting the rate increases (if desired) are provided below.

If the state and local COVID-19 emergencies remain in effect in June, the meeting agenda posted prior to the June 10, 2020 Board meeting will inform members of the public as to how the public hearing will be conducted in accordance with applicable laws, health orders, and Governor's executive orders then in effect.

WHAT IS DELTA DIABLO?

Delta Diablo ("District") provides wastewater conveyance and treatment services for over 70,000 customer accounts (residential and non-residential), representing approximately 213,000 residents in the cities of Antioch and Pittsburg, and the unincorporated community of Bay Point. As part of our core mission to protect public health and the environment, the District treats 13 million gallons of wastewater each day with a focus on exemplary regulatory compliance, innovative and sustainable approaches, and sound stewardship of the public's resources and trust. The District has transformed its Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) into a "resource recovery facility" by producing approximately 6 million gallons per day of recycled water, generating on-site renewable energy to meet over 55 percent of WWTP power needs, reusing residual biosolids as fertilizer via land application, providing household hazardous waste (HHW) collection services, and further protecting the Delta by providing street sweeping services to remove pollutants that would otherwise enter local stormwater systems.

PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2020/2021 SEWER SERVICE CHARGES

For Fiscal Year 2020/2021 (FY20/21) (July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021), the District is proposing Sewer Service Charge (SSC) increases of approximately 3.5% for residential customers in Antioch and Pittsburg, and 3.0% for residential customers in Bay Point. Non-residential customer rates have also been adjusted and vary based on customer class. The District collects SSCs from its customers each year to provide the primary revenue source needed to fund labor, energy, chemicals, regulatory compliance requirements, plant maintenance, capital infrastructure renewal and rehabilitation, HHW facility operation, and street sweeping services. Because the District's costs in these categories will increase in the next fiscal year, SSC adjustments are required to recover the District's costs, maintain financial integrity, and ensure long-term fiscal sustainability. The SSCs are calculated based on the cost to provide service with customers typically billed on a fiscal-year basis via annual property tax bills.

Residential Customers: The impact of the proposed SSC increase on the annual property tax bill for a single-family customer is shown in **Table 1** below. The total annual charge for residential properties with multiple units (e.g., duplex, fourplex, apartment complex, etc.) can be calculated by multiplying the per unit SSC charge below by the number of units.

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Table 1 – Example Annual Single-Family Residential SSC on Property Tax Bills for FY19/20

Residential Service Customers	Proposed SSC Increase*	Current FY19/20	Proposed FY20/21	Annual Change
Antioch/Pittsburg	3.5%	\$389.47	\$403.10	\$13.63
Bay Point**	3.0%	\$540.26	\$556.47	\$16.21

Note: * Percentage increases are approximate.

The property tax bills will also include an annual street sweeping service charge (no increase) that varies by community based on frequency of service.

Non-residential Customers: The District is proposing increased SSCs for commercial and industrial customers based on annual potable water consumption (i.e., SSC is per hundred cubic feet per year [HCF/y]) as presented in **Table 2** below by business class and city/community. If annual potable water consumption is less than 90 HCF/y, a minimum annual charge will be applied. The property tax bills will also include an annual street sweeping service charge (no increase) that varies by community based on frequency of service.

Table 2 – Non-residential Proposed User Charges: Total SSC per Hundred Cubic Feet per year

Business Class	Class Zone 1 – Bay Point		Zone 2 – Pittsburg		Zone 3 – Antioch	
(Commercial/ Industrial)	Current FY19/20	Proposed FY20/21	Current FY19/20	Proposed FY20/21	Current FY19/20	Proposed FY20/21
Bakeries/ Restaurants	\$9.19	\$9.47	\$7.74	\$8.01	\$7.67	\$7.94
Light Industrial	\$6.33	\$6.52	\$4.72	\$4.89	\$4.69	\$4.85
Hotels/Motels	N/A	N/A	\$4.13	\$4.27	\$4.48	\$4.64
Institutional	\$6.33	\$6.52	\$4.72	\$4.89	\$4.69	\$4.85
Marinas	N/A	N/A	\$6.09	\$6.30	\$6.13	\$6.34
Misc. Commercial	\$6.33	\$6.52	\$4.72	\$4.89	\$4.63	\$4.79
Mortuaries	N/A	N/A	\$5.34	\$5.53	\$5.36	\$5.55
Annual Minimum	\$540.26	\$556.47	\$389.47	\$403.10	\$389.47	\$403.10

WHAT DO SEWER SERVICE CHARGES FUND?

The District's SSC revenue is allocated to several key funds to support ongoing operations, as well as capital investment in existing and future infrastructure, as shown in **Table 3** below.

- 1. **Regional Treatment and Conveyance**: Funds facility operation and maintenance costs associated with regional wastewater conveyance and treatment, as well as the HHW facility.
- 2. **Capital Asset**: Funds new wastewater capital projects that are not related to new growth (the District charges separate Capital Facilities Collection Charges for growth-related capital costs).
- 3. Capital Asset Replacement: Funds capital infrastructure renewal and replacement projects.
- 4. **Advanced Treatment Reserve**: This SSC rate component has been eliminated for FY20/21 based on a revised implementation schedule and capital cost estimate. This fund was designed to minimize significant future rate increases by providing dedicated funding to meet a future, more stringent regulatory requirement for advanced wastewater treatment.
- 5. **Bay Point Collections**: This SSC rate component is only collected for Bay Point customers and funds operation and maintenance of the Bay Point collection system.

^{**} Delta Diablo provides wastewater collection services for Bay Point customers only, while the respective cities provide these services for Antioch and Pittsburg customers.

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Table 3 – Example Annual Single-Family Residential SSC by Rate Component for FY20/21

	Antioch/Pittsburg		Bay Point	
Sewer Service Charge (SSC) Component	Current FY19/20	Proposed FY20/21	Current FY19/20	Proposed FY20/21
Regional Treatment/Conveyance	\$280.58	\$286.03	\$280.58	\$286.03
Capital Asset	\$18.47	\$4.18	\$18.47	\$4.18
Capital Asset Replacement	\$33.37	\$112.89	\$33.37	\$112.89
Advanced Treatment Reserve Fund	\$57.05	\$0.00	\$57.05	\$0.00
Bay Point Collections	N/A	N/A	\$150.79	\$153.37
Total SSC per Equivalent Residential Unit	\$389.47	\$403.10	\$540.26	\$556.47
Estimated Monthly Charge	\$32.46	\$33.59	\$45.02	\$46.37

More information on the District's costs can be found in the District's budget and capital improvement program documents, which are on file at the District's offices.

PUBLIC HEARING AND PROTEST PROCEDURES

The Board of Directors will hold a public hearing on the proposed SSC increases on Wednesday, June XX, 2020, at 5:30 p.m., in the Board Room at 2500 Pittsburg-Antioch Highway, Antioch, California, 94509. If the state and local COVID-19 emergencies remain in effect in June, the meeting agenda posted prior to the June XX, 2020 Board meeting will inform members of the public as to how the public hearing will be conducted in accordance with applicable laws, health orders, and Governor's executive orders then in effect. After the close of the public hearing and consideration of all public comments and written protests received, the Board of Directors will be asked to take action to implement the SSC increases at this meeting.

Written protests may be sent to the District (attention of "Office Manager/Secretary to the Board", 2500 Pittsburg-Antioch Highway, Antioch, California, 94509) prior to the Public Hearing and must include your property address and the Assessor Parcel Number found on your mailing label.

At the close of the public hearing, the Secretary to the Board will announce the total number of protest responses, including any received at the public hearing. If written protests are presented by a majority of the parcel owners in the District's service area, the District cannot implement the SSC rate adjustments.



Delta Diablo Wastewater Treatment Plant in Antioch, CA



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
PROPOSED SEWER SERVICE CHARGE
RATE INCREASES

5:30 PM WEDNESDAY, JUNE XX, 2020 2500 PITTSBURG-ANTIOCH HIGHWAY ANTIOCH, CA 94509



Delta Diablo provides wastewater conveyance and treatment services to approximately 213,000 customers in Pittsburg, Antioch, and Bay Point.

Our core mission is to protect public health and the environment in our communities by providing wastewater resource recovery services of exceptional quality and value.

Environmental Stewardship

In treating 13 million gallons of wastewater each day, Delta Diablo has an exemplary regulatory compliance record in meeting federal, state, and local regulatory requirements and protecting the local Delta receiving waters.

Infrastructure Investment

Continued capital investment in the Wastewater Treatment Plant, 76 combined miles of sewer pipes and force mains, and five pump stations is critical to maintaining effective, reliable, and high-quality customer service.

Fiscal Responsibility Delta Diablo is committed to maintaining responsible rates by prioritizing capital investments, managing budgets through operational efficiencies, and targeting available grant and low-interest loan programs.