

EXPLANATION OF PROPOSED RATE INCREASE EFFECTIVE 2025

As you may be aware, we are having to rebuild the sewer plant (Central Valley Water Reclamation Facility, CVWRF-CIP) that we own with six other government entities. This \$635 million project will take approximately 15 years to complete. This rebuild is required to meet new EPA and Utah Department of Water Quality requirements for all sewer plants.

Due to tariffs on steel and other materials, including labor, the costs of reconstructing the plant have increased by approximately 35% in the last couple of years. Your Mt Olympus 2025 charge of \$27.00 per month is broken down into two segments: Sewer Service (collection and processing of your sewage) and the Rebuild of the Sewer Plant (CVWRF), as shown on your bi-monthly bill. By breaking down your bill, you can see where your money is going. The district is cognizant of the increased costs over the past few years and has partnered with Stifel Financial Services to evaluate the district's financial needs pertaining to current and future fees.

With this proposed \$2-per-month rate increase, the district rate will remain among the lowest rates of sewer districts and cities along the Wasatch Front, with many districts and cities charging in the mid \$40s and \$50s. The average rate in Utah is \$50.48 per month. Your residential rate will go from \$25.00 to \$27.00 per month, effective 1/1/2025.

A public hearing was held on November 19th, 2024, at 6 pm to take public comment on the tentative budget and rate increase. Rates were approved at the December 17th Board Meeting