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UTILITY DISTRICT TO CHANGE  
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**BEAR CREEK SPECIAL UTILITY DISTRICT'S RESPONSES TO  
COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION  
QUESTION NO. STAFF 1-1**

COMES NOW, Bear Creek Special Utility District ("Bear Creek") and files this, its Response to Commission Staff's First Request for Information, which was received on April 2, 2019. Pursuant to 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 22.144(c), a "party upon whom a request is served shall serve a full written response ... within 20 days after receipt of the request". Twenty days after April 2, 2019, is April 22, 2019; therefore, Bear Creek's responses are timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,



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ATTORNEY FOR BEAR CREEK SPECIAL  
UTILITY DISTRICT

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have served or will serve a true and correct copy of the foregoing document via hand delivery, facsimile, electronic mail, overnight mail, U.S. mail and/or Certified Mail Return Receipt Requested to all parties on this the 15<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2019.



John J. Carlton

## **RESPONSE TO COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION**

**STAFF 1-1:** For the Bear Creek Special Utility District (Bear Creek SUD) rate increase effective December 18, 2018, please provide the following information:

- a) A list of the water system name(s), number(s) and number of active connections as of December 18, 2018 for all water systems whose rates have been changed by the rate increase.
- b) Schedule(s) of approved rates for all systems whose rates have been changed by the notice and rate increase appealed in this case for the period of time directly prior to the proposed increase (prior to December 18, 2018).
- c) A copy of the approved minutes of the board of directors meeting that approved the rate increase and a copy of the notice provided along with the date that the notice was provided.

**RESPONSE:**

- a) Bear Creek Special Utility District  
PWS TX0430037  
2,384 Active Connections
- b) Responsive documents will be produced.
- c) Responsive documents will be produced.

Prepared by: Camille Reagan

Sponsored by: Camille Reagan

# **RESPONSIVE TO COMMISSION STAFF'S RFI 1-1(b)**



# BEAR CREEK SUD

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Lavon, Texas 75166

## SERVICE RATES

November 20, 2017

### MINIMUM MONTHLY RATES:

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# BEAR CREEK SUD

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**Date:** October 9, 2018

**Time:** 7:00PM

## MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING

**Call to order by:** President Herman Stork

**Directors Present:** Herman Stork, Bryan Block, Chris Elder, Leticia Harrison, Robert Haynes, David Hawkins, Kevin Hutchinson

**Directors Absent:** None

**Public Comment:** None

**Consent Items:**

Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting on September 11, 2018.

Approval of September 2018 Financials.

Approval of September 2018 General Manager Report

*General Manager, C. Reagan noted that all lead and copper samples that were submitted for 2018 were approved by Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). C. Reagan received notification from TCEQ stating that Bear Creek SUD will now be on a three year sampling schedule for lead and copper and will no longer be required to complete Water Quality Parameter sampling.*

*Motion made by Director B. Block, seconded by Director K. Hutchinson to approve Consent Items. Motion carried unanimously.*

**Staff Report:**

**Legal update by James W. Wilson:** *Attorney James Wilson was not in attendance.*

**Regular Agenda Items:**

- A. Consider all matters incident and related to the approval and execution of a Water Facilities Contract with the Greater Texoma Utility Authority (GTUA), including the adoption of a resolution pertaining thereto:

*Motion made by Director C. Elder, seconded by Director R. Haynes to approve the contract presented by GTUA pending approval by attorney, James Wilson. Motion carried unanimously.*

- B. Discuss and act upon approving Resolution No. 2018-006 – Appointment of Assistant Secretary:

*Motion made by Director B. Block, seconded by Director K. Hutchinson to approve Resolution 2018-006 appointing Amber Wright to the Office of Assistant Secretary. Motion carried unanimously.*

- C. Discuss and act upon approving Resolution No. 2018-007 – Appointment of Assistant Secretary:

*Motion made by Director B. Block, seconded by Director K. Hutchinson to approve Resolution 2018-007 appointing Camille Reagan to the Office of Assistant Secretary. Motion carried unanimously.*

- D. Discuss Texas Water Development Board Loan Rate Increase and North Texas Municipal Water District Rate Increase FY2019 Workshop: *Todd Strouse, Kimley-Horn, presented the documents to the Board of Directors for the rate increase workshop to be held on October 30, 2018. Kimley-Horn will make the recommended changes to the documents and present at the rate increase workshop on October 30, 2018.*

*North Texas Municipal Water District finalized the rate increase for 2019 for members and customers. The rate increase will be 5% for 2019. Bear Creek SUD's annual demand has increased for 2019 to 243,364,000 gallons of water for the take and pay contract.*

*A Capacity Assessment Report was completed by Texas Commission on Environment Quality (TCEQ) for Bear Creek SUD. A representative from TCEQ met with Bear Creek SUD representatives on September 13, 2018 to evaluate the financial, managerial and technical capacity of Bear Creek SUD. The report was received on September 27, 2018 from TCEQ stating that Bear Creek SUD was found to have the financial, managerial and technical capacity to proceed with the application for assistance from the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund for the proposed project. It was determined that the proposed project would assist Bear Creek SUD to remain compliant with the TCEQ rules and regulations.*

- E. Discuss and act upon approving Ordinance 2018-006 – Amending Bear Creek SUD Rate Order:

*Motion made by Director K. Hutchinson, seconded by Director D. Hawkins to approve Ordinance 2018-006 amending the Bear Creek SUD Rate Order. Motion carried unanimously.*



**Adjournment to Executive Session:**

*Motion by Director K. Hutchinson, seconded by Director R. Haynes to adjourn to Executive Session at 8:20PM. Motion carried unanimously.*

**Executive Session:**

**Executive Session Call to Order at 8:23PM.**

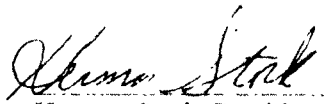
**Executive Session Agenda Items:**

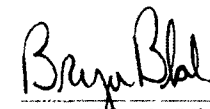
- (A) The Board may recess into closed or executive session to discuss the following:
  - (1) Government Code §551.072. Discuss Property Purchase.
- (B) Reconvene into Regular Session and take any action necessary as a result of the Executive Session.

**Adjourn Executive Session at 8:47PM.**

**Regular Session Call to Order at 8:48PM.**

**Adjournment at 8:49PM:**

  
Herman Stork, President

  
Bryan Block, Vice President

  
Camille Reagan, Recorder

**ORDINANCE NO. 2018-006**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF BEAR CREEK SPECIAL UTILITY DISTRICT, COLLIN COUNTY, TEXAS, AMENDING AND RESTATING SECTION G.5 OF THE RATE ORDER TO INCREASE MONTHLY MINIMUM AND GALLONAGE RATES; PROVIDING FOR A SAVINGS/REPEALING CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS, the Bear Creek Special Utility District (the "District") is a political subdivision of the State of Texas created under the authority of Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, and operating pursuant to Chapters 49 and 65, Texas Water Code; and**

**WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the District has adopted a Rate Order establishing service policies and rates for water service provided by the District to the public and the same has been amended from time to time; and**

**WHEREAS, the District desires to enter into a water facilities contract with the Greater Texoma Utility Authority ("GTUA") whereby GTUA will issue bonds for the purposes of providing an additional water supply connection to the District and certain water supply facilities in order to store and transport such water to and within the District; and**

**WHEREAS, the District must raise its monthly minimum rates to evidence its ability to pay all expenses to operate and maintain its water system and to promptly pay all required payments and obligations to GTUA set forth in the water facilities contract; and**

**WHEREAS, the District has entered into a wholesale supply contract with the North Texas Municipal Water District ("NTMWD") for the District's entire water supply; and**

**WHEREAS, the NTMWD has imposed a five percent (5%) wholesale rate increase on the District's water supply for fiscal year 2018-2019 and the Board finds it to be fiscally prudent and necessary to amend the gallonage rates set forth in Section G.5 of the Rate Order respectively to match said rate increase.**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF BEAR CREEK SPECIAL UTILITY DISTRICT THAT:**

**SECTION 1. Findings Incorporated. The findings set forth above are incorporated into the body of this Ordinance by reference for all purposes.**

**SECTION 2. Amending and Restating Section G.5 of the Rate Order. Section G.5 of the Rate Order setting forth the Monthly Charges assessed by the District is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:**

**5. Monthly Charges.** *The District shall assess monthly charges for water service at the following rates:*

(a) **Monthly Minimums.** *The monthly minimum (a/k/a base rate) is that portion of a customer's monthly bill that does not vary due to changes in the volume of water used or consumed. The District's monthly minimums for water service are as follows:*

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Monthly Rate</u>
¾"	\$ 35.00
1"	60.00
2"	98.00
3"	186.00
6"	714.00

(b) **Gallonge Rate.** *In addition to a monthly minimum, customers shall be assessed a gallonge charge at the following rates for water metered during each billing period:*

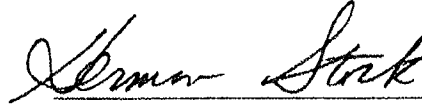
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Over 25,001 gallons . . . . .	\$11.27 per 1000 gallons

**SECTION 3. Savings/Conflicts.** All provisions of any ordinance in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed and any remaining portions of such ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

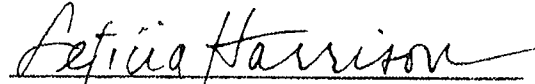
**SECTION 4. Severability.** Should any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, it is expressly provided that any and all remaining portions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect. The District hereby declares that it would have passed this Ordinance, and each section, subsection, clause or phrase thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses and phrases be declared unconstitutional or invalid.

**SECTION 5. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become effective 30 days after the date written notice is mailed or hand delivered to all affected customers pursuant to Section B.7 of the District's Rate Order.


ADOPTED on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2018, by the Board of Directors of Bear Creek Special Utility District.

  
Herman Stork, President

ATTEST:

  
Leticia Harrison, Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
James W. Wilson, Attorney





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December 18, 2018

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NOVEMBER 19, 2018

## RATE INCREASE NOTIFICATION

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As a result of the increase from NTMWD for treated water and the new debt services, the Board of Directors approved the following increase for water and the base rate at the October 9, 2018 BOD Meeting:

### **Water Rates:**

5% Pass-through from NTMWD

### **Base Rate:**

\$10.00 increase (Required by TWDB to pay for debt service on the loan)

When presented with such increases, the Board of Directors is still determined to meet the growing needs of our customers, continue to improve services, and maintain the existing investment in our infrastructure. The existing and new rates are shown below:

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**anwright@bearcreeksud.com**

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**Sent:** Wednesday, November 14, 2018 11:18 AM  
**To:** Samantha; Harris Local Government, PrintMail  
**Cc:** anwright@bearcreeksud.com; Camille Reagan  
**Subject:** Bear Creek SUD - Insert  
**Attachments:** 11-19-18 INSERT BEAR CREEK.pdf; Bear Creek Insert Approval.pdf  
  
**Sensitivity:** Confidential

Good Afternoon,  
Please see attached your insert sample, and an approval form for you to review. Please sign one samples and the approval form and return them to [REDACTED]@harrislocalgov.com or fax to [REDACTED] once approved.

Thank you for your business!  
Karen

Karen [REDACTED]  
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Please see the attached Bear Creek SUD insert letter that will need to go out with monthly bills. Bear Creek SUD will be sending over monthly bills on Monday, 11/19/18.

Thank you,

Samantha Brooks-Kenneimer  
Bear Creek SUD  
972-843-2101



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INSERT APPROVAL



**PLEASE MAKE SURE TO SEND THIS FORM  
by EMAIL or FAX to approve for printing inserts**

Included with this letter is a sample of the insert you have requested to be included with the following:

<b>Type of Insert</b>	Full page, 1 Sided, B&W
<b>Pricing</b>	\$0.10 insert
<b>Set-up Fee</b>	\$0

MONTH	CYCLES	APPROXIMATE QTY.
<u>Nov</u>		2175
Minimum number of Inserts to be printed:		

The final number of inserts charged will be based on the actual number needed to be included with the notices.

If you would like to receive additional inserts for your office, please let us know the quantity requested here:

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Please call if you have any corrections or questions, otherwise sign, date, and fax this document back to the fax number above to let me know that everything is correct for printing.

Signature and City or County

Camille Reaga / Bear Creek SHD

Date

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October 2016





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*Cainee Reagan*  
11/14/2018

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**Subject:** Signed Approval

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We have received the approval, thank you, and will have these in the mail for you tomorrow.  
Thank you for your business and please don't hesitate to reach out to us with any questions or concerns you may have.

Karen

Karen [REDACTED]  
Production Coordinator  
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Please see the signed approval.

Thank you,

Samantha Brooks-Kennemer  
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UTILITY BILL APPROVAL

**PLEASE SEND THIS BACK VIA EMAIL OR FAX ALONG WITH ONE SIGNED  
SAMPLE BILL TO APPROVE FOR PRINTING AND MAILING.**

Both the signed sample notice and this approval form must be sent before 5:00 p.m. EST the  
business day before the bills are to be mailed.

**Attn: Utility Department**

This is to verify that the utility bills are approved to be printed and mailed. In addition to  
this approval form, please return one Sample Bill with your signature on it.

**Are there any flyers or newsletters to be inserted with this cycle?** Yes ☒ No ☐

**Ancillary Service Endorsement for Mailing**

(Please select one of the following. If no Endorsement is selected, the default will be Return Service Requested)



Fill here for **Return Service Requested**: The mail piece is returned with  
the new address with a reason for non-delivery at no charge.

OR



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Bear Creek SUD

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From: h20@bearcreeksud.com  
Bcc:

Subject: Bear Creek SUD Rate Increase Notification- November 19, 2018  
Date: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 7:16:00 AM

### **RATE INCREASE NOTIFICATION**

Bear Creek Special Utility District (SUD) purchases all treated water from North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD). NTMWD notified the SUD in September 2018 that the cost of treated water would increase by 5% beginning October 1, 2018. The District is also seeking funding from Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) that will be used for system improvements to provide redundancy and capacity.

As a result of the increase from NTMWD for treated water and the new debt services, the Board of Directors approved the following increase for water and the base rate at the October 9, 2018 BOD Meeting.

**Water Rates:**

5% Pass-through from NTMWD

**Base Rate:**

\$10.00 increase (Required by TWDB to pay for debt service on the loan)

When presented with such increases, the Board of Directors is still determined to meet the growing needs of our customers, continue to improve services, and maintain the existing investment in our infrastructure. The existing and new rates are shown below.

**Existing Water Rate:**

\$6.05/1,000 GALS FOR 0 TO 5,000 Gallons  
\$6.71/1,000 GALS FOR 5,001 TO 10,000 Gallons  
\$7.70/1,000 GALS FOR 10,001 TO 15,000 Gallons  
\$9.52/1,000 GALS FOR 15,001 TO 25,000 Gallons  
\$10.73/1,000 GALS FOR OVER 25,001 Gallons

**Construction Water Rates: (Fire Hydrant Meter)**

\$10.73/1,000 Gallons

**Existing Base Rate:**

1/4" Meter \$25.00/month  
1" Meter \$50.00/month  
2" Meter \$88.00/month  
3" Meter \$176.00/month  
4" Meter \$352.00/month  
6" Meter \$704.00/month

**Cost of 5,000 Gallons of Water for 1/4" Meter:**

Old Rate = \$55.40  
New Rate = \$66.91  
Increased cost of \$11.51 compared to old rate's

**New Water Rate:**

\$6.35/1,000 GALS FOR 0 TO 5,000 Gallons  
\$7.05/1,000 GALS FOR 5,001 TO 10,000 Gallons  
\$8.09/1,000 GALS FOR 10,001 TO 15,000 Gallons  
\$10.00/1,000 GALS FOR 15,001 TO 25,000 Gallons  
\$11.27/1,000 GALS FOR OVER 25,001 Gallons

**New Construction Water Rates: (Fire Hydrant Meter)**

\$11.27/1,000 Gallons

**New Base Rate:**

1/4" Meter \$35.00/month  
1" Meter \$60.00/month  
2" Meter \$98.00/month  
3" Meter \$186.00/month  
4" Meter \$362.00/month  
6" Meter \$714.00/month

**Cost of 10,000 Gallons of Water for 1/4" Meter:**

Old Rate = \$89.12  
New Rate = \$102.34  
Increased cost of \$13.22 compared to old rate's

The effective date of the rate increase will be on the bill due February 10, 2019. The usage period is **December 18, 2018 to**

**January 18, 2019.** The Board of Directors is committed to providing all customers with safe and dependable water at the most reasonable rate possible. If you have any question or comments, please contact the district's office at 972-843-2101.