



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED FEE ADOPTION FOR MERCED IRRIGATION-URBAN  
GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY  
(Water Code Section 10730)

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**PUBLIC HEARING ON JULY 28, 2020 AT 6:30 P.M. AT THE MERCED CIVIC CENTER, 678  
W. 18<sup>TH</sup> ST., MERCED, CA 95340**

Merced Irrigation-Urban Groundwater Sustainability Agency (MIUGSA) will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, July 28 at 6:30 p.m. for the proposed adoption of a regulatory fee. The fee would support the typical annual operational costs of MIUGSA's regulatory program as authorized under the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act of 2014. MIUGSA has seven member agencies including the cities of Merced, Livingston, and Atwater, Le Grand and Planada Community Services Districts, Winton Water and Sanitary District, and Merced Irrigation District. If you live or have a business within the areas served by one or more of the member agencies, then you are a beneficiary of MIUGSA's services and are therefore subject to the fee.

The proposed regulatory fee is calculated based on acreage and land use. Most residential customers on a standard lot will pay less than \$2.00 per year. Those with larger lots will pay more based on acreage. Agriculture will pay \$5.52 per acre per year. Detailed information about the Fee Study, including the full Fee Study Report, inter-active boundary map, presentations, public workshop summary, FAQs, and other educational documents are available at <http://www.MIUGSA.org/FeeStudy>.

Hard copies of the Fee Study report are available for review at the Merced Irrigation District Main Office, located at 744 W. 20<sup>th</sup> Street, Merced, and for review at the customer service counters of the cities of Merced, Livingston and Atwater, Le Grand and Planada Community Services Districts, and Winton Water and Sanitary District. Please contact the agency you intend to visit to view the hard copy in advance; viewing a hard copy may not be possible should any government restrictions be in place due to COVID-19 that mandate closure of public places. The report may be read or downloaded from <http://www.MIUGSA.org/FeeStudy>.

The public hearing will take place at the Merced Civic Center located at 678 W. 18<sup>th</sup> St., Merced, on July 28, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. In addition, virtual (via laptop, desktop, or mobile device) and call-in participation options will be available to those unable to attend in person. Given the uncertainty surrounding potential government restrictions due to COVID-19, all public hearing updates including access information, in-person meeting limitations, and directions for all available participation options, will be posted to the MIUGSA website at: <http://www.MIUGSA.org/FeeStudy>.

The public is encouraged to participate in the public hearing (in-person, virtually, or call-in) and provide comments either in person or online through the virtual hearing. Call-in participants or those who wish to provide comments in advance may do so by emailing comments to [FeeStudy@MIUGSA.org](mailto:FeeStudy@MIUGSA.org) by 4 p.m. July 28, 2020 in order to be reviewed prior to the hearing.

If adopted, the regulatory fee will be placed on the property tax roll by the Merced County Auditor-Controller and it will be collected by the Merced County Treasurer-Tax Collector beginning with the 2020-2021 property tax roll. For comments or questions about the Public Hearing or Fee Study, please send an email to [FeeStudy@MIUGSA.org](mailto:FeeStudy@MIUGSA.org).