# Connections



July 2023 Powering forward. Together.

Our monthly newsletter for residential customers

## Proposed rate changes

SMUD is proposing changes to residential and commercial rates, which are outlined in the Chief Executive Officer and General Manager's Report and Recommendation on Rates and Services, available at smud.org/RateInfo.

As part of the public rate process, there will be 2 public workshops and a public hearing. Workshops: July 13 at 10 a.m. & Aug. 3 at 5:30 p.m. Public hearing: Aug. 30 at 6 p.m.

All 3 meetings will be held via Zoom and at SMUD Headquarters Auditorium, 6201 S Street, Sacramento. Find details for attending or joining the workshops and public hearing at smud.org/RateInfo. If you have specific rates questions or comments, please contact SMUD by emailing ContactUs@smud.org, or calling 855-736-7655. Written comments can also be mailed to SMUD, P.O. Box 15830, MS B256, Sacramento, CA 95852-0830.



# Help the environment — enroll in Paperless Billing

Paperless Billing is an easy way to reach a zero carbon future together by reducing paper waste. It's fast, secure and easy! You can view, pay and track your bill all online. Plus, your printable bill is always available at My Account.

Sign up at smud.org/MyAccount. •

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## Leading the way to a greener tomorrow

With our 2030 Zero Carbon Plan, the most aggressive carbon reduction plan of any large utility in the country, we have a flexible roadmap to eliminate carbon emissions from our power supply over the next 7 years. Partner with us in making a cleaner, greener and more sustainable energy future by enrolling in SMUD's Greenergy<sup>®</sup> program.

For as little as \$3 extra per month on your bill, we'll meet your electricity needs with power from renewable energy sources like wind and solar. Since 1997, more than 70,000 of our customers have chosen to get their energy from clean, renewable sources.

Going 100% carbon free is a bold and ambitious goal - one we believe we can achieve with your support and participation in programs like Greenergy. Learn more and sign up at smud.org/Greenergy.

## Your safety, our priority

Over the last few years, California has experienced some of the most destructive wildfires on record. Keeping you safe is our top priority. While the risk of wildfires is low in our service area, our crews work year-round to mitigate potential wildfire threats through ongoing inspection and maintenance of our equipment.

Our vegetation management crews regularly inspect and maintain vegetation around SMUD's power lines. We also use digital

technology to identify trees and other vegetation around our power lines that could pose threats to public safety and SMUD's power system.

We constantly look for ways to improve our programs to mitigate fire risk and maintain reliability with various tools like real time monitoring weather stations.

Visit smud.org/WildfireSafety for valuable information, downloadable emergency preparedness guides and more.

#### SMUD Board of Directors

Your elected Board of Directors holds regular meetings once a month on the third Thursday at 6 p.m. in the Headquarters Auditorium. Meetings are streamed live and archived on smud.org.

Visit smud.org/Board for the latest information.

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