## WHY A RATE STUDY

Gold Mountain Community Services District (GMCSD) Board of Directors initiated a Cost of Service and Rate Study (Study) in July 2021 to examine several factors including GMCSD's operating budget, overall financial status, upcoming capital improvement projects and funding options.

The last Study was conducted 15 years ago and GMCSD has not raised water or wastewater rates since 2010. Since then, operating and maintenance costs have escalated due to inflation, system staffing needs, and increasingly more stringent federal and state requirements. The initial infrastructure is now aging and will require significant repairs and upgrades to remain compliant and continue to reliably provide water and wastewater services to residents and businesses of the Gold Mountain Community Services District. Large-scale capital improvements are also on the horizon to build the needed infrastructure for anticipated, future buildout.

## STUDY RESULTS

The Study will provide GMCSD a five-year plan of calculated water and wastewater rates that will ensure the financial stability of GMCSD and that revenues will pay for ongoing operations and maintenance, rehabilitation projects, new capital improvement projects, and any anticipated debt service payments.

## QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?

GMCSD values comments and suggestions from the community and will hold a workshop once the Study is drafted to share results. In the meantime, contact us by phone (530) 832-5945, email infogmcsd@gmail.com or go to www.gmcsd.org Contact Us page and fill out a form. You may also visit us at our office located at 150 Pacific St., Suite 8 in the City of Portola.

