

CITY OF COOS BAY CITY COUNCIL
Agenda Staff Report

MEETING DATE	AGENDA ITEM NUMBER
April 1, 2014	

TO: Mayor Shoji and City Councilors

FROM: Jim Hossley, Public Works Director

THROUGH: Rodger Craddock, City Manager *pel*

ISSUE: Discussion of Wastewater Rate Fees and Structure

BACKGROUND:

At the March 4th City Council meeting, Councilor Daily requested some explanation of the City's wastewater rates be presented at a future meeting. Steve Donovan with Donovan Enterprises prepared the City's current wastewater cost of service and rate study, and he has recently completed a revision to the study. Mr. Donovan will be present to discuss the rational for determining the dollar amount for wastewater fees and the rational for annual rate hikes. He will also discuss the tier structure that the City has used for years and why the fee per unit of water used varies between tiers.

ADVANTAGES:

This discussion will help City Councilors and wastewater customers understand why wastewater rates are what they are.

DISADVANTAGES:

None

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:

None

RELATED CITY GOAL:

Infrastructure and Services: To maintain and improve the City's physical infrastructure and provide quality services for current and future citizens.

And

Citizen Education & Involvement: Educate, cultivate, and encourage public participation in City government, urban renewal and disaster preparedness.

ACTION REQUESTED:

None