

RESOLUTION NO. 2023 - 3

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING RATES, FEES AND CHARGES FOR THE SOUTH DURANGO SANITATION DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, the South Durango Sanitation District (the “District”) is a quasi-municipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of Colorado organized pursuant to the Colorado Special District Act, C.R.S. 32-1-101, *et seq.* (the “Act”); and

WHEREAS, the District owns and operates a wastewater collection and treatment system (the “Wastewater System”); and

WHEREAS, the Act authorizes the Board of Directors (the “Board”) to adopt and from time to time increase or decrease rates, fees, toll and charges for the services provided by the District; and

WHEREAS, for the purposes of measuring and assessing the cost of service for various uses the Board has established an Equivalent Residential Tap (ERT) representing the typical sewage flow originating from any single-family home, mobile home, condominium, townhouse, or other dwelling unit; and

WHEREAS, the approved Master Plan for the District has identified future capital needs for replacements and improvements to the District’s Wastewater System necessary to meet all current and projected standards for wastewater treatment; and

WHEREAS, the Master Plan includes a financial model which projects the revenue requirements from user fees and plant investment fees (tap fees) that will be necessary to meet future operating and capital financial demands; and

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the financial model as part of the development of the 2021 budget and has determined that an increase in user fees and plant investment fees are necessary to meet future operating and capital financial requirements; and

WHEREAS, the costs for other service provided by the District have increased but the fees charged by the District for tap inspections and account transfers have not been increased in several years; and

WHEREAS, at least 30 days prior the adoption of this resolution notice was posted on the District website of a public hearing to consider an increase for rates, fees, tolls, and charges for the District; and

WHEREAS, the rates, fees, tolls, and charges adopted by this resolution are appropriate and necessary.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SOUTH DURANGO SANITATION DISTRICT:

1. That, the schedule of fees set forth on Exhibit A shall be adopted.
2. That all fees shall be effective beginning March 1, 2023.

3. The Board of Directors of the District hereby finds and declares that adoption of the increased monthly user fee set forth herein is necessary for the health, safety and welfare of the residents and customers of the District and its continued financial stability.

4. All sections of any prior resolutions establishing fees contrary to those set forth herein are hereby repealed, but only to the extent necessary to conform to the fees established herein.

Adopted this 16th day of February 2023.

SOUTH DURANGO SANITATION DISTRICT

By *Curt Piccoli*
President

**SOUTH DURANGO SANITATION DISTRICT
FEE SCHEDULE
Resolution No. 2023 - 3
Effective March 1, 2023**

Plant Investment Fees (tap fees): \$9,000/ERT

- a. Single family residential including townhomes, condominiums, mobile homes & ADUs: **1 ERT**.
- b. Single family residential including townhomes, condominiums, mobile homes & ADUs less than 700 sf: **0.75 ERT**.
- c. Single family residential including townhomes, condominiums, mobile homes, ADUs & multi-family units of less than 400 sf: **0.5 ERT**.
- d. Multi-family residential (apartments): **0.9 ERT**
- e. Multi-family units of less than 700 sf: **0.675 ERT**
- f. Commercial uses: **\$9,000/ERT** based on current commercial ERT schedule or projected flows based on engineering analysis or historical data.

Inspection fee: \$250 per tap connection; \$75 per hour for reinspection and inspections of more than one hour.

Monthly User Fee: \$50/ERT

Account Transfer Fee: \$50

Equivalent Residential Tap (ERT) Standard

One (1) ERT is based on 180 gallons per day flow, a five-day average BOD₅ of 250 ppm and 250 ppm total suspended solids.

**SOUTH DURANGO SANITATION DISTRICT
ERT SCHEDULE**

	DESCRIPTION	ERTS
(1)	Single family residential including townhomes, condominiums, mobile homes & ADUs	1 ERT/unit
	Single family residential including townhomes, condominiums, mobile homes & ADUs less than 700 sf	.75 ERT/unit
	Single family residential including townhomes, condominiums, mobile homes & ADUs less than 400 sf	.5 ERT/unit
	Multi-family residential (apartments)	1 ERT/unit
	Multi-family units of less than 700 sf	.75 ERT/unit
(2)	Hotels and motels	
	No restaurants or kitchens (.4 X number of rooms)	.4 ERT/room
	With kitchenettes not rented for a period in excess of two weeks	.55 ERT/room
	With restaurants	See below
	With non-public laundry	add .2 ERT/room
(3)	Restaurants and bar	
	Food service	
	Open 12 hours or less/day	.1 ERT/seat
	Open more than 12 hours/day	.2 ERT/seat
	Bar only	.05 ERT/seat
(4)	Schools and day care centers	To be determined
(5)	Service stations	
	No wash rack or maintenance bay	1 ERT
	With wash rack or maintenance bay (add 1.0/rack)	1 ERT/rack or bay
	Public sanitary dump station; automated car wash	to be negotiated

(6)	Shopping centers and stores	.35 ERT/1,000 sq. ft.
(7)	Travel trailer/camper park/transient	
	Full hookups	.4 ERT/space
	No sewer hookups, central showers	.1 ERT/space
	Non-public sanitary dump station	2 ERT/station
(8)	Laundry - coin operated or public including common facilities in apts	.5 ERT/wash mach.
(9)	Car wash	1ERT/bay
	Automated car wash	To be determined
(10)	Warehouses and offices	.35ERT/1,000 sq. ft.
(11)	Theaters (Drive In)	.02 ERT/space
(12)	Beauty and barber shops	.25ERT/wash station
(13)	Carry-out restaurant	To be determined
(14)	Butcher shops and locker plants	established by District
(15)	Churches	1 ERT
	with eating/banquet facilities	add .5 ERT
(16)	Automobile Dealership	.3 ERT/1,000 sq. ft.
	Includes wash bays for use by dealership. Public car washes will require additional ERTs	

The foregoing table shall serve as a **general guide** for establishing an ERT for a commercial use. When other data is available to determine actual flows, the District will analyze such information and establish an ERT which accurately represents the anticipated flows for a particular use. Any type of use not specifically listed shall not be permitted unless authorized by the District following a review of all pertinent information.

When determining the ERT number for any use, the following general guidelines will apply:

1. All persons desiring to obtain or required to obtain sewage treatment from the District shall make application for service on forms provided by the District. Failure to accurately describe the proposed use or furnish any requested information shall be cause for denial or suspension of service.
2. All users shall be charged a minimum of 1 ERT.
3. Seasonal use rates, for commercial establishments only, may be permitted by the District when non-use exceeds three months.
4. Whenever interpretation of the above table or data provided by an applicant for service could result in different ERTs, the higher ERT shall be charged.

From Sewer Use Resolution 95-4 with amendments approved by Board of Directors