

## Budget/Finance Committee/General Manager Recommendations

### FY 2026 Export Fee Schedule

#### Export Fee:

*Using both District Local Laws Code and Section 36.122 of the Texas Water Code:*

- *Export Fee Tier 1 is based on the amount of groundwater that is authorized under a transport permit but was not exported out of the District during the fiscal year (Enabling Act).*

*Export Fee Tier 1: the difference of \$0.17/1000 gallons authorized and the adopted production fee*

- *Export Fee Tier 2 is based on the actual amount of metered groundwater transported out of the District during the year (District Rule 9.1(c)).*

Export Fee Tier 2: \$0.21218/1000 gallons

A transport permit could be charged for one or both export fee rates in a fiscal year.

Export Fee Tier 1 will be charged on all transport permits that do not export water during the year. If only some water is exported, then the non-exported, but authorized amount will be prorated to the date export begins and charged at a Tier 1 rate, and the exported water will be charged at a Tier 2 rate.

Export permits approved via a mediated settlement are exempt from the above description and bound by the terms of the agreed upon mediated settlement.

#### **Recommended FY 2026 Export Fee Rates:**

**Export (Tier 1)      The difference of \$0.17/1000 gallons authorized and the adopted production fee or a fee negotiated between the District and the transporter – Enabling Act**

**Export (Tier 2)      \$0.21218/1000 gals. (\$69.14/ac-ft) transported - Rule 9.1(c)(2)**