

Proposed "\$5 Million Plan B"

EID Ratepayers deserve a "\$5 million Plan B"

- ❖ Why isn't EID's Management and Board of Directors taking action to trim their **proposed \$15 million of new rate hikes?** (for 2012 to 2015).
- ❖ Why are **spending and rate increases on automatic pilot?**
- ❖ Why is EID further putting its **decade of spending excesses** on the backs of ratepayers?
- ❖ Why can't EID meet ratepayers one-third of the way and reduce their proposed \$15 million of rate hikes by one-third? (i.e., reduce their proposed 49% of 2012-2015 water rate hikes to 33%)

While EID's publicity machine pumps out endless claims of saving millions and millions of dollars, **EID's 2012 gross operating budget (before accounting gimmicks) has increased \$4.8 million over 2010 spending.** Especially unfair is forcing ratepayers to again pay higher rates for Mosquito Road's extravagant **\$10 million overhead increase (i.e., more than double annually) since 2003.**

It's time EID Management joins government agencies everywhere else in cutting spending. Why is EID so convinced it can unrelentingly keep raising rates, with blatant insensitivity to the financial costs to ratepayers?

It's time to stop making EID's "middle name" an ever-increasing burden on the rates of 38,600 non-Agriculture customers.

It's time for some ratepayer fairness with a "**\$5 million Plan B**"... less spending, less rate hiking, and rates that are more "**fair and equitable**" for residential ratepayers (with less subsidies to Agriculture).

FixEID's blueprint for a "\$5 million Plan B":

- ❖ **Step one: Slash EID's extravagant \$20 million annual overhead* by 7.5%. Annual rate savings of \$1.5 million.** ([Click here](#) to see opportunities)
- ❖ **Step two: Slash EID's "platinum" \$10 million employee benefits by 15% (or implement furloughs until the benefit decreases are implemented). Annual rate savings of \$1.5 million.** ([Click here](#) to see opportunities)
- ❖ **Step three: Reduce excessive spending for consultants, 175 vehicle fleet ([Click here](#)) and management perks ([Click here](#)). Annual rate savings \$0.5 million.**
- ❖ **Step four: Implement fair and equitable Agriculture rate increases. Do NOT approve Agriculture decreases to as low as one-seventeenth of residential rates as reflected in EID's Proposition 218 Notice. Annual residential rate savings of \$1.5 million.** (Note: The proposed Agriculture rates require a 6% rate subsidy from every residential ratepayer).

Tell your EID Directors and Management that ratepayers deserve a "\$5 million Plan B" before they approve ANY rate increases for 2013, 2014 and 2015.

Doubling water rates from 2010-2015 is NOT justified or fiscally responsible. Neither is increasing sewer rates that already are DOUBLE those of Folsom and NEAR DOUBLE Sacramento's.**

Fix spending!... Fix rates!... Fix EID!

* pre-capitalization

** including EID property tax subsidies