

Crescenta Valley Water District
Proposition 218 Protest Letters and Information
As of September 13, 2021

As of September 13, 2021, the District has received 14 protest letters, of which 12 pertain to residential properties, and 2 pertain to commercial properties.

These letters are posted to the District website.

Below, is a summary of protest letters received –

Letter	Name	Service Address	Customer Class	Date Received
1	Daniel Suh	2__ Community	Single-Family Residential	August 10, 2021
2	Karen O/Connell	2__ Panorama	Single-Family Residential	August 16, 2021
3	John Abercrombie	2__ Mayfield	Single-Family Residential	August 23, 2021
4	Anna Shahmanyman	2__ El Caminito	Single-Family Residential	August 24, 2021
5	Ivan and Kelly Vargas	2__ Fairway	Single-Family Residential	August 26, 2021
6	Alex Khatchaturian	2__ Foothill	Commercial	August 27, 2021
7	Alex Khatchaturian	4__ Rosemont	Single-Family Residential	August 27, 2021
8	Heow Ch'ng Ang	3__ Santa Carlotta	Single-Family Residential	August 27, 2021
9	Timothy Brown	3__ Santa Carlotta	Single-Family Residential	August 30, 2021
10	Carrie Brown	3__ Santa Carlotta	Single-Family Residential	August 30, 2021
11	Frida and Rostom Baghdassarian	2__ Pinelawn	Single-Family Residential	August 30, 2021
12	Anna Shahmanyman	2__ El Caminito	Single-Family Residential	August 31, 2021
13	James Conley	2__ Willowhaven	Single-Family Residential	September 2, 2021
14	Zaven Khatchaturian	2__ Foothill	Commercial	September 7, 2021

Proposition 218 Protest Form

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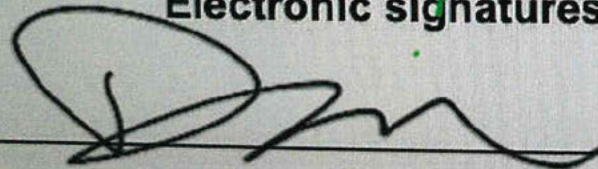
Address of parcel receiving service:	Community Ave.
City, State, Zip Code:	La Crescenta

Submitted By

Print Owner or Tenant Name:	Daniel Suh
If the above is not an individual(s), e.g. an LLC, Trust, Corporation, etc.	
Print Authorized Signatory:	Daniel Suh

Electronic signatures will not be accepted

Signature: _____



Date: _____

8/9/21

#2



Dear C.V. Water,

I would like
to see if the water
and the sewer rates
can not be increased.

I have had bills
for almost 58 years.
Each had increased
except one year
ago. With senior costs
rising and ~~and~~ Social
security not increasing
it is hard to make
increases to live.

Thank you for your
help.

 Mary Osmell

Aug. 21, 2021

John D. Abercrombie

To: CVWD BOARD:

My wife and I both protest
the proposed rate increase.
We are both in our 90's on
a fixed income. We don't
qualify for a senior rate.
Because of your low income
rule. All seniors should
be able to qualify. We are
very conservative of using water.

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CRESCENTA VALLEY
WATER DISTRICT

Signed
John D. Abercrombie
[REDACTED] Mayfield Ave.
Montrose CA.
91020-1440

Phone [REDACTED]

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WATER DISTRICT

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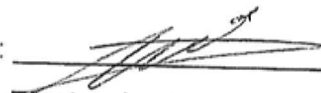
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Address of parcel receiving service: [REDACTED] El Caminito	
City, State, Zip Code: La Crescenta, CA 91214	La Crescenta has been known for years as a green and lush city, with beautiful old pine, oak, and olive trees, and we are very proud to be able to keep it this way, by caring and watering our existing trees and planting more. By this water increase you'll be force us, the hard-working people of our city to stop watering the greenery and cut the trees to save money in these very hard times. We all understand that you are concerned about preserving water, but by raising the prices you will force us to not water the plants anymore and cut our trees. This will cause environmental damage by drying up the lands and more drought to come. I protest the proposed water rate increase, since we are already paying high price for the water and we cannot survive another water price increase. So please help us to protect our environment and keep our city as green as possible. Thank you for your understanding.

Submitted By

Print Owner or Tenant Name:	Anna Shahmanyen
If the above is not an individual(s), e.g. an LLC, Trust, Corporation, etc.	
Print Authorized Signatory:	Click or tap here to enter text. ANNA SHAHHANYAN

Signature: _____



Date: 8/24/2021

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Address of parcel receiving service:	El Caminito
City, State, Zip Code:	LA CRESCENTA

Submitted By

Print Owner or Tenant Name:	Anna Shahmanyman
If the above is not an individual(s), e.g. an LLC, Trust, Corporation, etc.	
Print Authorized Signatory:	Anna Shahmanyman

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Signature: _____



Date: _____

8/24/2021

Ivan Vargas and Kelly Vargas
[REDACTED] Fairway Ave.
La Crescenta, CA 91214
[REDACTED]

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CRESCENTA VALLEY
WATER DISTRICT

August 23, 2021

#5

Crescenta Valley Water District
2700 Foothill Blvd.
La Crescenta, CA 91214

RE: Protest Letter
CVWD Service Address: [REDACTED] Fairway Ave., La Crescenta, CA 91214

Dear Board of Directors:

I am protesting the proposed increase in water and wastewater rates and charges. These increases are unfair and unjust to impose on any of the community. It will only cause further financial hardships on the people in our community and is likened to kicking someone when they are already down. You must consider the hardships many have suffering from the COVID pandemic. Besides the financial harm you will cause many to suffer, this proposed rate hike simply passes off years of CVWD's mismanagement of funds/revenues onto the community who have no choice in where we get our water. Fix your budget and handling of revenue and do not pass off your fiscal mistakes onto the community.

Furthermore, the quality of the water delivered is frankly poor and contains high amounts of chlorine that requires filtration systems to make the water palatable and to remove the harsh chlorine taste and smell. Chlorine in drinking water can have serious side effects on the human body causing stomach aches, vomiting, and diarrhea. It causes dry itchy skin and respiratory symptoms and even some cancers have been none to arise as a result of drinking chlorinated water over time. While low levels of chlorine in drinking water may be deemed safe, I believe CVWD's water has the highest chlorine level it can get away with. I taste it and smell it. However, we cannot drink the water as is without getting some of the symptoms mentioned above and we had to install a water purification/filtration system.

This proposed rate hike is the wrong thing to do to people who are suffering hardships due to the pandemic. It is wrong to pass off years of mismanagement of

Ivan Vargas and Kelly Vargas

██████████ Fairway Ave.

La Crescenta, CA 91214

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the pipelines that due to neglect are purportedly in dire need of repair/replacement. Sounds like CVWD's fault and not that of the consumer. You may have made some financial decisions but those were too little too late and again, the responsibility is yours and not to be passed off onto the consumer.

I am full heartedly against this rate hike. It will cause further undue financial burden on the people of our community at a time when we are hurting the most financially.

I respectfully request that you do not proceed with any rate hike at this time.

Sincerely,


Kelly Vargas

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Address of parcel receiving service:	██████ Foothill Boulevard
City, State, Zip Code:	La Crescenta, CA 91214

Submitted By

Print Owner or Tenant Name:	1000 North Central Enterprises, LLC (Owner)
If the above is not an individual(s), e.g. an LLC, Trust, Corporation, etc.	
Print Authorized Signatory:	Alex Khatchaturian

Signature: Alex KhatchaturianDate: August 26, 2021

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Address of parcel receiving service:	██████ Rosemont Avenue, ██████
City, State, Zip Code:	La Crescenta, CA 91214

Submitted By

Print Owner or Tenant Name:	Alex Khatchaturian, Tenant
If the above is not an individual(s), e.g. an LLC, Trust, Corporation, etc.	
Print Authorized Signatory:	Click or tap here to enter text.

Signature: Alex KhatchaturianDate: August 26, 2021

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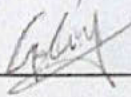
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Address of parcel receiving service:	██████ Santa Carlotta St
City, State, Zip Code:	La Crescenta, CA 91214

Submitted By

Print Owner or Tenant Name:	Heow Ch'ng Ang
If the above is not an individual(s), e.g. an LLC, Trust, Corporation, etc.	
Print Authorized Signatory:	Click or tap here to enter text.

Signature: Date: 8/27/21**Electronic signatures will not be accepted**

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Address of parcel receiving service:

City, State, Zip Code:

[REDACTED] Santa Carlotta St.
La Crescenta, CA 91214

Submitted By

Print Owner or Tenant Name:

If the above is not an individual(s), e.g. an LLC, Trust, Corporation, etc.

Print Authorized Signatory:

Timothy Brown

Signature:

Date:

Timothy J Brown
8-27-21

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Address of parcel receiving service: [REDACTED] Santa Carlotta St.
City, State, Zip Code: LaCrescenta, CA 91214

Submitted By

Print Owner or Tenant Name: Carrie Brown
If the above is not an individual(s), e.g. an LLC, Trust, Corporation, etc.
Print Authorized Signatory:

Signature: Carrie L. Brown
Date: 8-27-21

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Address of parcel receiving service

City, State, Zip Code

[REDACTED] Pinelawn Drive

La Crescenta CA 91214

Submitted By

Print Owner or Tenant Name

If the above is not an individual(s), e.g., an LLC, Trust, Corporation, etc.

Print Authorized Signatory

Frida A. Restom Baghdassarian

Signature: 

Date: Aug. 29, 2021

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Address of parcel receiving service:	El Caminito
City, State, Zip Code:	LA CRESCENTA

Submitted By

Print Owner or Tenant Name:	Anna Shahmanyman
If the above is not an individual(s), e.g. an LLC, Trust, Corporation, etc.	
Print Authorized Signatory:	Anna Shahmanyman

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Date: 8/24/2021

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Submitted By

Print Owner or Tenant Name:	Anna Shahmanyen
If the above is not an individual(s), e.g. an LLC, Trust, Corporation, etc.	
Print Authorized Signatory:	Click or tap here to enter text. ANNA SHAHHANYAN

Signature: _____



Date: _____

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By signing the form below, I protest the proposed (water/wastewater) rate increases and affirm under penalty of law that I am the owner, authorized representative of the owner, or tenant of the below parcel.

Address of parcel receiving service:	████████ Willowhaven Dr
City, State, Zip Code:	La Crescenta, CA 91214

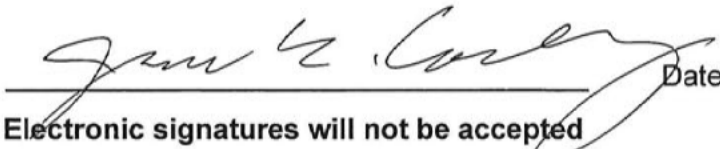
Submitted By

Print Owner or Tenant Name:	James E. Conley
If the above is not an individual(s), e.g. an LLC, Trust, Corporation, etc.	
Print Authorized Signatory:	James E. Conley

As CVWD's Notice states, many pipelines have enjoyed a life expectancy of 50-80 years. It states that other assets are also 80 years in age. Replacing these assets with new assets of a similar life expectancy should be financed with bonds of a similar long term. Forcing current retired customers who only have a life expectancy of another 10-20 years to pay for these long-lived assets is unfair. Customers who are getting a free ride 30 years from now might enjoy the proposed financing, but we in the present day do not.

PayGo: CVWD should use financing similar in age to the life of the asset, as commonly done by pension plans, life insurance and other long-lived assets such as real estate, which, by law, must be depreciated over many years by private investors. There is no logical reason to force current rate-payers to subsidize future residents, especially with favorable current interest rates. Fear of debt is not prudent financial management.

I object to the proposed rate increase because of the flawed reasoning behind it. CVWD's arguments have too often been manipulative rather than enlightening. While the current Public Notice displays much better reasoning than in the past, there is no discussion of union negotiations. Skilled engineers are expensive but administrative assistants do not need pay that is far above market rates. Why is CVWD not able to honestly discuss their attempts (if any) to maintain market pay for overly expensive union employees?

Signature:  Date: Aug 27, 2021

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Address of parcel receiving service:	██████ Foothill Boulevard
City, State, Zip Code:	La Canada Flintridge, CA 91011

Submitted By

Print Owner or Tenant Name:	Roben Khatchaturian Family Trust
If the above is not an individual(s), e.g. an LLC, Trust, Corporation, etc.	
Print Authorized Signatory:	Zaven Khatchaturian

Signature: 

Date: Aug 31/2021

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