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# 2025 Rate Proposal

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SMUD's Chief Executive Officer & General Manager's Reports and Recommendation on Rates and Services proposes changes to electricity rates, including:

- A 3% increase in rates in 2026 and 2027 for residential and non-residential customers.
- An optional rate for residential customers who don't use much energy and have a panel size less than or equal to 125 amps.
  - This optional rate would be called the Time-of-Day (Low Use) Rate.
  - The proposed rate has the same structure as the standard Time-of-Day (5-8 p.m.) rate but a lower monthly system infrastructure fixed charge (\$17) and higher energy charges.
  - This rate was designed for a small group of residential customers who have low energy usage and a smaller panel size.
- Updates to transmission rates and other miscellaneous rate updates.

## Proposed rate increase

The proposal includes rate increases of 3%, effective Jan. 1, 2026 and Jan. 1, 2027 for all residential and non-residential customers.

## Why the rate increases are needed

We work hard to control costs and operate as efficiently as possible – continuing to find operational savings to keep our rate increases at or below the rate of inflation and our rates among the lowest in California. The proposed rate increases are needed due to increased costs associated with:

- Reliability and capital spending for things like new generation and storage projects to meet California clean energy compliance requirements, infrastructure improvements, maintenance and a new administrative operations building.
- An increase in commodity costs to meet California clean energy compliance.
- Wildfire prevention and inflation impacts.

## How this will impact customer bills

For all residential and non-residential customers, bill impacts will depend on how much electricity they use each month.

For the average residential customer, the rate increases would add:

\$4.35 per month beginning Jan. 1, 2026.

\$4.48 per month beginning Jan. 1, 2027.

As an example, a small business customer will see a cumulative increase of about \$209 per month after the 2 years.

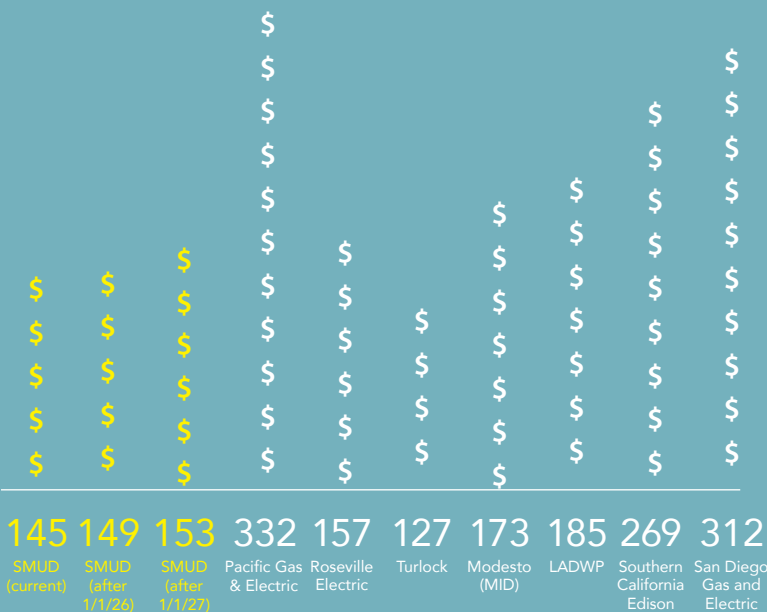
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How our rates compare

As a community-owned, not-for-profit electric utility, our rates are among the lowest in California. If the proposed rate increases are approved for 2026 and 2027, our rates would remain about 50% lower than PG&E.

Average residential monthly bill



This chart shows the average monthly price, in dollars, for a residential bill using 750 kWh per month as of May 1, 2025, and the average monthly SMUD bill after the proposed increases in 2026 and 2027, and assumes the other utility rates remain the same.

Learn more

To find answers to common questions or view the complete Chief Executive Officer & General Manager’s Report and Recommendation on Rates and Services, please visit [smud.org/RateInfo](https://smud.org/RateInfo).

If you have more questions, email us at [ContactUs@smud.org](mailto:ContactUs@smud.org).



The proposal also recommends other miscellaneous rate changes.

Public workshops and hearings

Members of the public can ask questions and provide feedback about the proposed rate changes at the following hybrid meetings via Zoom or at SMUD Headquarters Auditorium at 6201 S Street, Sacramento. For instructions to attend or join a workshop, please visit [smud.org/RateInfo](https://smud.org/RateInfo).

Public workshops

Wednesday, April 30 at 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 13 at 10 a.m.

Public hearing

Wednesday, June 4 at 6 p.m.

Final decision at SMUD Board meeting

Thursday, June 19 at 6 p.m.

