



DEHQ Cost Recovery Proposal FY 2025-26

Land Use Program Stakeholder Outreach
April 2025

Department of Environmental Health and Quality



Land Use Program Services

- Information (Duty) Specialist – Operations
- Outreach and Education
 - Operators
 - Stakeholders
 - Email Notification (Gov Delivery)
- Legislative Tracking and Analysis
- Technical Committee Participation
- Statewide Engagement

Land Use Program Status (Septic/Discretionary)

- Continued training of staff
- Customer response time is 1-3 days
- Maintaining review time at 30 days
- Able to meet guaranteed review time to Remove Barriers to Housing

Local Area Management Program - 2025

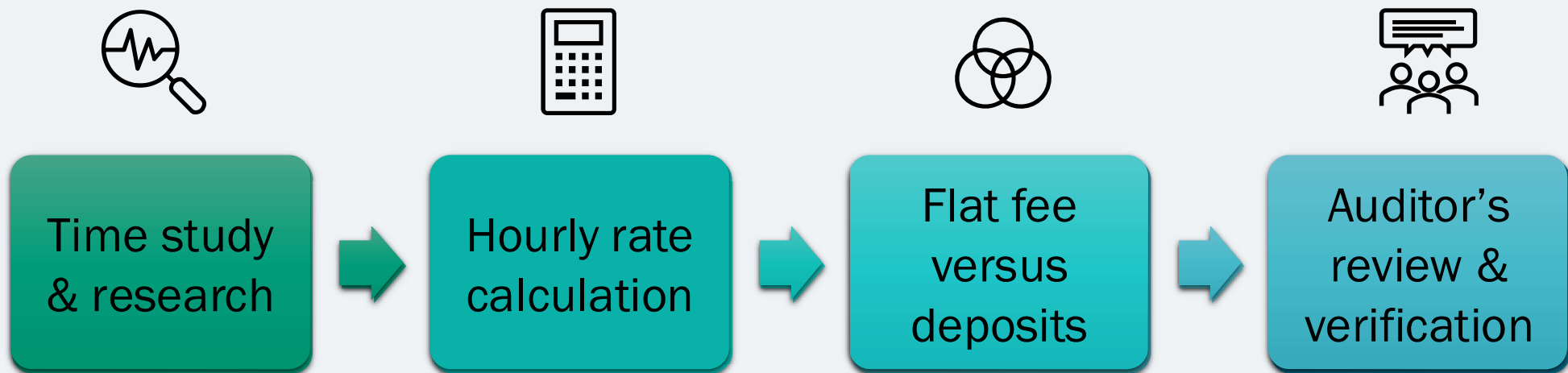
- Outreach conducted
- New LAMP effective 2/1/25
- Updated Document Library



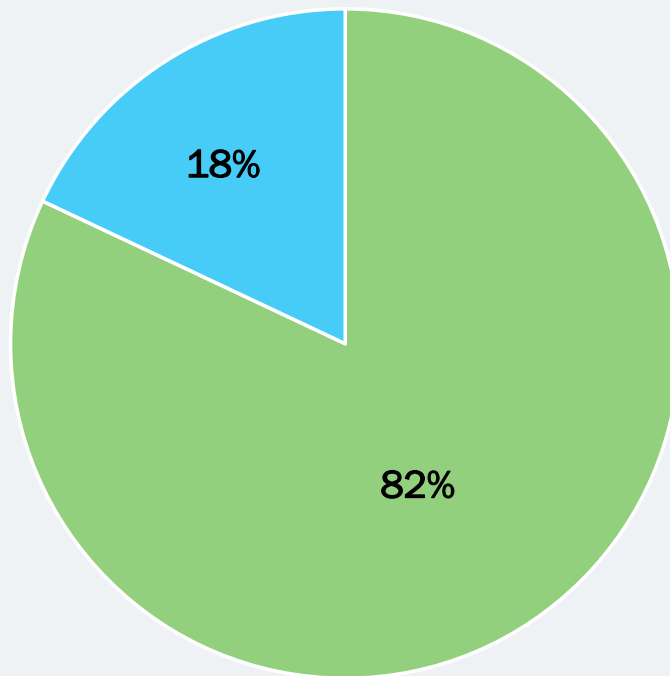
Need for Proposal

- Compliance with Board Policy B-29
- Commitment to the Board and stakeholders to return yearly
- Salary & Benefits
- State and Federal Regulatory Changes
- Continue to deliver programs and services

Fee Development Process



Cost Composition



- Non-Discretionary Costs
- Discretionary Costs

Non-Discretionary:

- Salary and Benefits
- Retirement Contribution
- Fees to other County departments
- Facilities

Discretionary Costs:

- Services and Supplies
- Vehicles and Equipment
- Savings and innovation

Septic Program Current Proposal

Need: FY 2025-26 costs require 11.8% average fee increase



Mitigation: Innovation
average 2.7% reduction



Proposal: 9.1% average fee increase

Discretionary Projects Current Proposal

Need: FY 2025-26 costs require 9.4% average fee increase



Mitigation: Innovation average 2.7% reduction



Proposal: 6.7% average fee increase

Land Use Program Fees

ONSITE WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEMS

Permit Type	Current Fee (FY 24/25)	Proposed Fee (FY 25/26)	Dollar Change	% Change
Septic Layout – New Construction	\$1,693	\$1,789	\$96	5.7%
Septic Layout – Addition / Pool	\$1,495	\$1,606	\$111	7.4%
Septic Layout – Over the Counter	\$266	\$311	\$45	16.9%
Septic Layout – Revision	\$964	\$1,102	\$138	14.3%
Septic Permit – Repair/Modification	\$852	\$969	\$117	13.7%
Septic Permit – New Installation	\$881	\$994	\$113	12.8%
Septic Permit – Re-Inspection	\$370	\$380	\$10	2.7%
Septic Permit – Treated System Installation	\$1,563	\$1,753	\$190	12.2%
Septic Permit – Treated System Major Repair	\$1,535	\$1,669	\$134	8.7%
Septic Permit – Annual Operating for STS	\$578	\$624	\$46	8.0%

Land Use Program Fees

LAND USE PROJECTS

Permit Type	Current Fee (FY 24/25)	Proposed Fee (FY 25/26)	Dollar Change	% Change
Boundary Adjustment/Cert of Compliance Over the Counter	\$421	\$440	\$19	4.5%
Boundary Adjustment/Cert of Compliance 1 - 4 Lots	\$1,768	\$1,949	\$181	10.2%
Graywater System – Design Review	\$862	\$924	\$62	7.2%
Graywater System – Installation Permit	\$745	\$820	\$75	10.1%
Graywater System – Re inspection	\$325	\$350	\$25	7.7%
Septic Hauler/Pumper Operation Permit	\$309	\$321	\$12	3.9%
Septic Hauler/Pumper Vehicle Inspection	\$189	\$203	\$14	7.4%
Septic Hauler/Pumper Exam Fee	\$198	\$210	\$12	6.1%

Land Use Program New/Modified Fees

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Permit Type	Current Fee (FY 24/25)	Proposed Fee (FY 25/26)	Dollar Change	% Change
Percolation Test / Soil Profile Permit	\$940	\$952	\$12	1.3%
Septic Tank Destruction Permit Stand-Alone Permit (hourly rate)	\$194	\$196	\$2	1.0%
Holding Tank / Vaulted-Privy / Other Sanitation Facilities Project Review (hourly rate)	\$194	\$196	\$2	1.0%
Holding Tank / Vaulted-Privy / Other Sanitation Facilities Installation Permit (hourly rate)	\$194	\$196	\$2	1.0%
OWTS Professional Consultation Review (hourly rate - 2 hour minimum)	\$388	\$392	\$4	1.0%
OWTS Professional Registration Annual Review	\$66	\$80	\$14	21.2%

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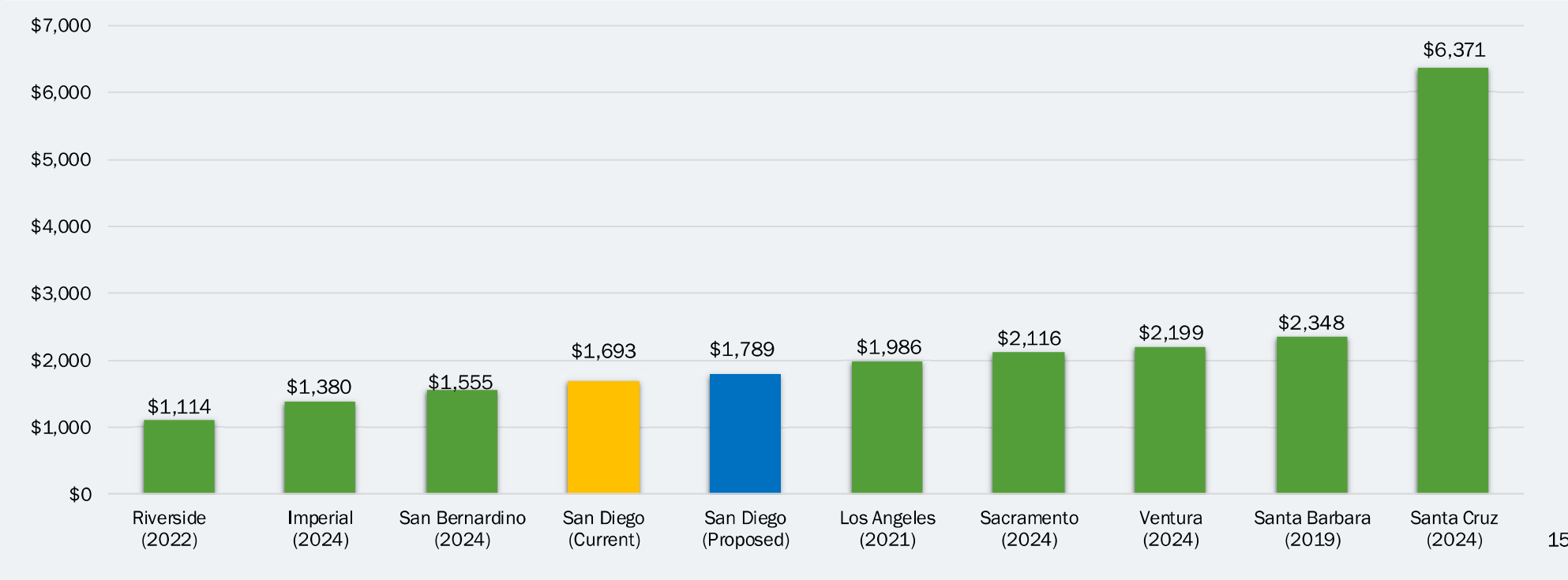
Discretionary Fees

Permit Type	Current Fee (FY 24/25)	Proposed Fee (FY 25/26)	Dollar Change	% Change
DPW Grading Plan Major Review	\$811	\$872	\$61	7.5%
Administrative Permit Standard Application	\$1,250	\$1,308	\$58	4.6%
Major Use Permit Modification/Minor Deviation	\$1,115	\$1,206	\$91	8.2%
Pre-Application Conference	\$443	\$479	\$36	8.1%
Major Project Pre-Application Conference	\$1,445	\$1,557	\$112	7.8%
Site Plan Application	\$1,032	\$1,088	\$56	5.4%
Tentative Map*	\$3,492	\$3,719	\$227	6.5%
Major Use Permit Standard Application*	\$1,940	\$2,011	\$71	3.7%
Special Projects Application Review*	\$1,552	\$1,616	\$64	4.1%
Tentative Parcel Map on Septic or Sewer*	\$1,940	\$2,021	\$81	4.2%
Discretionary Project Review	\$1,153	\$1,215	\$62	5.4%

* Deposit Accounts

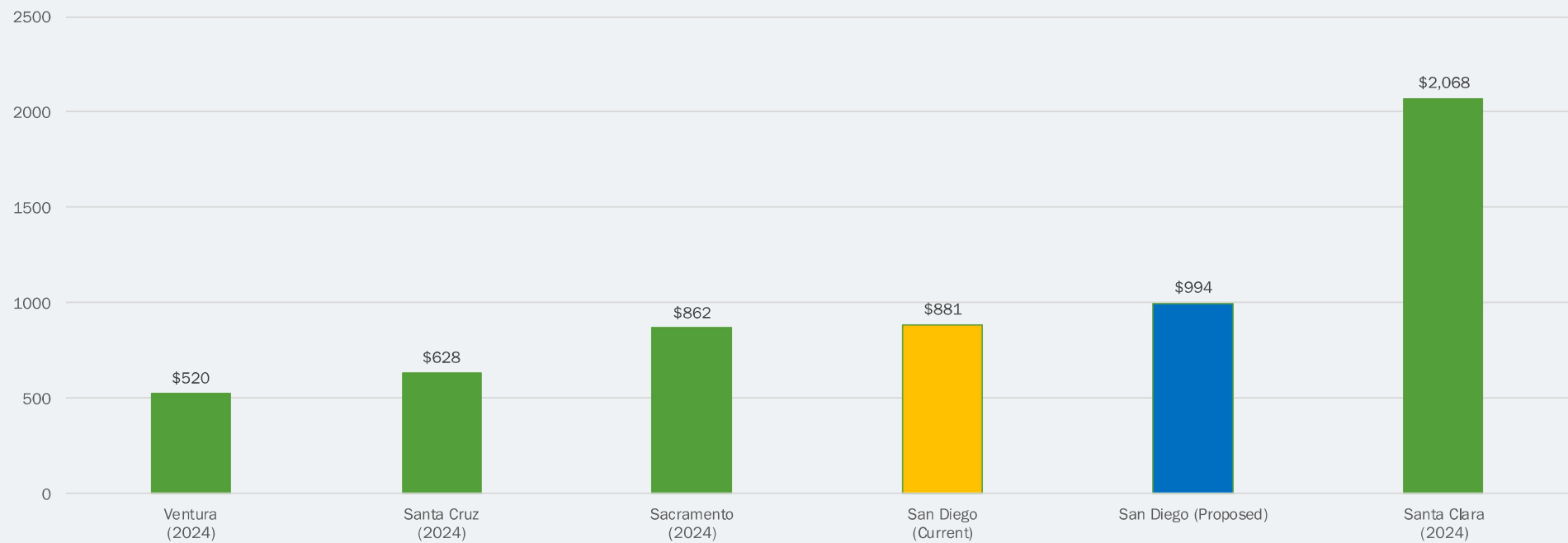
Septic Layout Fee

FEE NAME	CURRENT FEE	PROPOSED FEE	CHANGE	
			\$	%
Septic Layout New Construction	\$1,693	\$1,789	\$96	5.7%



Septic Permit Fee

FEE NAME	CURRENT FEE	PROPOSED FEE	CHANGE	
			\$	%
Septic Tank Conventional System Installation Permit	\$881	\$994	\$113	12.8%



Next Steps

- Answer questions and hear all your feedback on our current programs.
- May 2025: Anticipated to present the Cost Recovery Proposal to the Board of Supervisors for their review.
- Approximately 2 weeks after the first reading: 2nd reading of Cost Recovery Proposal by the BOS
- On July 1, 2025: New fees to go into effect

Scan for website to access full fee list





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