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**Alameda County Water District invites customer input on
budget, meters**
Upcoming workshops in ongoing series at water district

Fremont, Calif. — The Alameda County Water District Board of Directors will hold two financial workshops during May and June to review next year’s budget and to continue discussions on future water rate structure concepts.

On May 22, the District will review its budget for the upcoming fiscal year, which includes work on a number of projects to maintain the water system, improve efficiencies and provide enhanced service for customers. This workshop will also include an update on the District’s recent work to investigate Advanced Metering Infrastructure technology, more commonly known as AMI, which would allow water meters to be read remotely and give customers access to near real-time data on their water use.

“We have several key projects included in next year’s budget, and the May 22 workshop is a great chance to learn more about how we manage our finances to support both day-to-day operations and making system improvements for the future,” said Board President Paul Sethy. “We encourage our customers to join in the conversation about what we have planned for next year,” Sethy said.

An additional workshop on June 5 will focus on options for future water rate structures. Topics covered will include meter charges, different types of rate structures, property tax collections and a review of the District’s financial planning model.

The May 22 and June 5 workshops are two in the series of financial workshops that began on April 26 and will continue through 2018. The purpose of the workshops is for staff to provide alternatives and receive feedback from the board, and for the board and staff to receive input from the community. Video recordings of each workshop will also be posted to ACWD’s website for later viewing.

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The schedule for the remaining financial workshops is tentative, as follows:

Dates: May 22, 2018
 June 5, 2018
 July 26, 2018
 September 27, 2018
 December 6, 2018

Time: 4 p.m.

Location: Alameda County Water District Headquarters
 Multi-Purpose Room
 43885 South Grimmer Boulevard
 Fremont, CA 94538

Each workshop will be publicly noticed and an agenda will be posted prior to each meeting that will include the meeting date, time and location. For more information closer to the scheduled workshop date(s), please visit www.acwd.org.

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For over 100 years, the Alameda County Water District has supplied water to the residents and businesses of southern Alameda County. ACWD supplies drinking water to the more than 351,000 people living in the cities of Fremont, Newark, and Union City. For more information, please visit www.acwd.org.