

The Clerk of the Board must receive any written protest via this form (mailed or delivered) to:

County of San Benito,  
Clerk of the Board  
481 Fourth St. Hollister, CA 95023

**No later than 5 p.m. on June 15, 2020**

**Protest Procedure:** A property owner may file a written protest as provided above. All protests must be received prior to the end of the public hearing. The written protest must contain the property owner's name, property address and property owner's signature. Only one protest per parcel may be counted. A majority protest exists if written protests are received by the County with respect to 50% plus one of the parcels affected by the rate change. Protests that are incomplete or are not received by the deadline cannot be counted. No more than one protest per parcel may be submitted. A written protest may also be hand delivered to the Board Clerk, at any time before the end of the public hearing.

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(Please cut along the dotted line and include with your protest letter)

**OFFICIAL PROTEST FROM:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Assessor's parcel number (the nine-digit number that appears on your property tax statement):  
\_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
**Increase for Maximum Allowable Charge for Solid Waste/Recycling/Organics Collection for Rate Year 2020/2021**

**County of San Benito, Board Chambers**

County Administration Building, 481 Fourth Street, Hollister

**June 16, 2020**

On June 16, 2020 at 9 a.m., the Board of Supervisors will hold a Public Hearing to accept public input and testimony on the maximum allowable charge for solid waste collection to be effective July 1, 2020 thru June 30, 2021. Any interested person may present verbal or written input to the Board. Although the Board will consider all input, State law provides that only written protests of property owners may be counted to determine whether a majority protest to the maximum rates exists. If, at the conclusion of the public hearing, a majority protest of property owners does not exist, the Board will adopt the solid waste rate charges as approved per the franchise agreement.

The Board of Supervisors approved the franchise agreement which includes several program improvements to meet state mandates that include AB 939, AB 341, AB 1826 and SB 1383. The franchise agreement includes a provision that provides Recology with an annual rate adjustment.

The agreement details how solid waste rates will be adjusted annually using a prescribed index-based methodology. The annual rate changes are based on the consumer price index (CPI) and a fuel index which are the primary factors that determine the annual solid waste rates. Disposal and processing costs are also included in the annual rate adjustment process per the franchise agreement. The rates pay for collection/disposal of garbage; collection and processing of recycling, yard waste, organics, seasonal recycling programs and public education activities to meet state regulatory requirements. The new rates will be effective July 1, 2020. The schedule of maximum rates is included in this notice; the listed rates are the maximum rates and the rate may actually be lower. The tables provide the most common residential and commercial rates; all rates are available and provided at the Integrated Waste Management Division at RMA at 2301 Technology Parkway, Hollister.

**Residential rates include fees for weekly garbage, recyclables and organics collection**

*Single family homes are billed bi-monthly*

Cart Size	Prior Monthly Rate	Maximum 2020/21 Monthly Rate	Monthly Difference
20-Gallon Cart	\$26.86	\$28.07	\$1.21
32-Gallon Cart	\$32.33	\$33.78	\$1.45
64-Gallon Cart	\$53.21	\$55.59	\$2.38
96-Gallon Cart	\$81.37	\$85.03	\$3.66

**Commercial /Multi-Family Collection Rate include fees weekly garbage and recyclables collection**

*Commercial customers are billed monthly*

Bin Size	Prior Monthly Rate	Maximum 2020/21 Monthly Rate	Monthly Difference
64-Gallon Cart	\$53.21	\$55.59	\$2.38
96-Gallon Cart	\$81.37	\$85.03	\$3.66
1-2 Yard	\$208.63	\$218.00	\$9.37
1-3 Yard	\$286.86	\$299.75	\$12.89

**Commercial/Multi-Family Organics Collection Rate including fees, bin and cart sizes collected weekly**

*Commercial customers are billed monthly*

Bin Size	Prior Monthly Rate	Maximum 2020/21 Monthly Rate	Monthly Difference
64-Gallon Cart	\$31.93	\$33.36	\$1.43
96-Gallon Cart	\$48.82	\$51.01	\$2.19
1-1 Yard	\$100.14	\$104.64	\$4.50
1-2 Yard	\$156.46	\$163.49	\$7.03