

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FEE CHANGES

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OVERVIEW



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- **Regulatory program costs are covered by permit fees**
- **Cost of doing business has increased due to**
 - **Increases in overhead, technology, operational and equipment costs;**
 - **Increase in staffing costs (est 22% increase between FY 2017 and FY 2022)**
 - **Increases in regulatory mandates**
- **Structural deficit since FY 2018-19**

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- **Fee changes guided by fee study conducted by outside consultant**
- **Revised fees would reflect the current service levels**
- **Revised fee structure would better reflect current and future program needs**
- **Some fees would increase, while others would decrease or remain the same**

FEE CREDIT



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- **A fee credit to offset fee increases for eligible businesses**
- **If received San Mateo County COVID-19 Fee Relief Program credit in FY 21-22**
- **American Rescue Plan funds**
- **Credits will help ease transition for businesses during fee restructuring**

OUTREACH



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- **Multilingual mailers and emails – early April**
- **Posted proposed fees, fee study, FAQs online**
- **Provided email, phone number for questions**
- **Provided language assistance to answer questions**

Questions?



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