**Weott Community Services District**

**BUDGET SUMMARY**

**FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025**

***Background:***

We are pleased to present the 2024/2025 fiscal year budget. Budget development is a long process. We begin by tracking expenses on a real-time basis and comparing budget numbers to actual expenditures.

Administrative staff review the status of revenue, expenses and estimate where we expect to be at year end. We also review the revenue and expenses we expect to change during the next budget year. Expense and revenue figures are continuously updated.

The enclosed budget has been reviewed by the District's Budget Committee. There are three main sections for presentation in this budget, Water Revenue and Expense, Wastewater Revenue and Expense, and Community Center Revenue and expense. There is also available detailed backup data to support every line item in the budget. Due to their volume, the backup sheets are not included in this packet but are available for review in the office or for copy.

***Budget Criteria:***

Maximize "belt-tightening" in all aspects of the operation while not jeopardizing level or quality of service, regulatory compliance or future cost savings.

Review each operating line item for cost savings opportunities, at the same time estimating the budget for the upcoming year based on historical data.

***Budget Assumptions:***

Most general operating and non operating expenses will increase.

***Summary of Revenue:***

**Water:**

Operating Revenues are derived primarily from monthly base charges and water consumption charges paid by each customer. Revenues are estimated to be higher than the last two years due to the rate increase.

**Wastewater**: Operating Revenues are derived from monthly charges to customers. Revenues are estimated to be higher than the last two years due to the rate increase.

***Summary of Expenses:***

The number of employees has remained the same. Payroll wages and taxes are expected to increase.

Regulatory compliance expenses (permits and fees) were higher in FY 2023/2024 due to paying compliance expenses from 2022. Compliance expenses are expected to increase.

***Capital Improvement:*** The district was unable to put money into reserves.