
**CLARK REGIONAL WASTEWATER DISTRICT
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION POLICY**

Policy #POL-021

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Purpose

Involve the public in the local affairs of the District and to engage public participation in support of the District programs and services.

Personnel Affected

All employees.

Policy

Public participation is necessary in order to make informed decisions and align service delivery with customer's interests and values. Therefore, the District will plan, coordinate, support, develop and implement materials, activities and programs to notify, inform and engage the public in support of the District's programs and services. The public shall be provided access to the information in a timely manner, in a language they understand best, and to include convenient methods for participation. Public participation will include both:

1. Public Information & Education – dissemination of information to the public
2. Public Participation – solicitation of input and or feedback from the public

The process shall be designed to address the specific nature of each proposal, project, program or issue being addressed, while being consistent with the District's public participation goals stated below. The participation process shall consider, amongst other factors, the scope and scale of the proposal, level of interest and engagement of the stakeholders, stakeholder demographics, including English language proficiency, along with the perceived impact of the proposal on the stakeholders.

Goals


The District's public participation goals are as follows:

1. To inform and educate the public about the District's commitment to:
 - Maintaining stable and affordable rates
 - Sound planning, investment and reinvestment in the collection system
 - Protecting public health, water resources and the environment
2. To involve the public in all major actions and decisions of the District, including but not limited to:
 - Rate and charge setting
 - Budget adoption
 - Policy making
 - Code adoption and amendments
 - Capital programs and projects
3. To conduct decision making processes that are:
 - Open, transparent, objective and fair
 - Accessible to the public for comment
 - In a language that is readily understood by the public

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