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TODAY'S LETTERS

## Protest water rate increase

To the Editor:

The Nipomo Community Services District plans to raise the water rates, and there is something you, as an NCSD customer, can do to stop this rate increase.

The proposed higher water rates must pass a Proposition 218 protest hearing set for 9 a.m., Wednesday, Oct. 12, to become effective.

NCSD sent a seven-page mailer of information to its customers during the past month, explaining the hikes and outlining the protest process.

To stop the water rate hike, 50 percent-plus one NCSD customers — more than 2,000 — must write a letter of protest and deliver it to the NCSD office at 148 S. Wilson St. or mail it to Nipomo Community Services District, Attn: Board secretary, P.O. Box 326, Nipomo, CA 93444-0326.

The written protest must contain a statement protesting the rate increase and include the assessor's parcel number, and the letter must be signed and dated by the property owner.

Send your letter before the close of the public hearing on Oct. 12.

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