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**NCSD Customers Will Receive 50% Discount on Solid Waste Bill**

The Nipomo Community Services District Board of Directors approved a one-time discount to District customers' solid waste bill. District customers will see the one-time 50% reduction in their January/February bi-monthly solid waste bills (two one-month bills for commercial accounts).

The District holds a Franchise Agreement with South County Sanitation for providing solid waste collection services within the District. The Agreement generates a fee paid to the District as a proportion of the fees collected by the Sanitation Company from customers within NCSD.

The District uses franchise fees to fund community wide cleanup efforts including sponsorship of Creek Day, funding the Chamber of Commerce's Keep Nipomo Clean program, and servicing the garbage common cans in Olde Towne. However District solid waste reserves have grown over the years and the Board of Directors directed staff to find a method to return the excess funds to those who contributed to them.

The District's solid waste Committee reviewed a number of options and felt a direct return of the funds to all District customers, both residential and commercial, by subsidizing the garbage bill was the most equitable and efficient way to spend the reserve down.

Director Bob Blair who chairs the Board's Solid Waste Committee stated "This is how government should work, if we collect more money than we need, we return it to the people we collected it from!"

For more information, please contact the Nipomo Community Services District at 929-1133 or visit [www.ncsd.ca.gov](http://www.ncsd.ca.gov).

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**Established in 1965 to meet the health and sanitation needs of the local community, Nipomo Community Services is pleased to provide a wide variety of services throughout its district including the provision of water, sewer, and waste management services as well as lighting and drainage in limited areas. The mission of Nipomo Community Services District is to provide its customers with reliable, quality, and cost-effective services now and in the future.**