

2020-21 Fee Schedules

Section 2200.6. Annual Agricultural and Irrigated Lands Fee Schedule.

(a) Annual fees for waste discharge requirements and waivers of waste discharge requirements for discharges from agricultural lands,¹ including irrigated lands, shall be as follows:

(1) If a discharger is a member of a group that has been approved by the Regional Board or Regional Board Executive Officer to manage fee collection and payment, then the annual fee shall be based on agricultural activity according to the following fee schedule:

Agricultural Activity Tier for Group Enrollment	Per Acre Fee
Tier A – All agricultural activity except those identified in Tier B.	\$1.12
Tier B – Discharger or group of dischargers whose agricultural activities are managed wetlands, irrigated pastures with no external nitrogen input, those belonging to the California Rice Commission third party group, or are determined by the Regional Water Board or the Executive Officer to be exempt from the precedential requirement to develop an Irrigation and Nitrogen Management Plan. ²	\$0.90

(2) If a discharger is not a member of a group that has been approved by the Regional Board or Regional Board Executive Officer to manage fee collection and payment, then the annual fee shall be based on agricultural activity according to the following fee schedule:

Agricultural Activity Tier for Individual Enrollment	Per Acre Fee
Tier A – All agricultural activity except those identified in Tier B.	\$28.00 per acre up to 300 acres plus \$14.00 per acre over 300 acres with a minimum fee of \$550
Tier B – Discharger or group of dischargers whose agricultural activities are managed wetlands, irrigated pastures with no external nitrogen input or are determined by the Regional Water Board or the Executive Officer to be exempt from the precedential requirement to develop an Irrigation and Nitrogen Management Plan. ²	\$22.40 per acre up to 300 acres plus \$11.20 per acre over 300 acres with a minimum fee of \$550

¹ As used in this section, the acreage on which the fee is based refers to the area that has been irrigated or cultivated by the farmer or discharger at any time in the previous five years.

² Per State Water Board Order No. WQ 2018-0002, In the Matter of Review of Waste Discharge Requirements General Order No. R5-2012-0116 for Growers Within the Eastern San Joaquin River Watershed that are Members of the Third-Party Group.