

## RATE INCREASE NOTIFICATION

On May 23, 2023, the Kern County Board of Supervisors approved the following rate increases which are *effective July 1, 2023*. All special service rate increases such as locking bin, rolling bin service, rural road service, etc. which you may subscribe to have also changed and are found on the back of this notification.

## **COMMERCIAL TRASH RATES**

SERVICE	DESCRIPTION	MONTHLY RATE	EA ADDITIONAL CONTAINER	EA ADDITIONAL SVC PICKUP
96GAL COMM 1XW 1.5Y COMM BIN 1XW	TRASH REMOVAL	\$50.52 \$123.45	\$43.30 \$116.24	\$20.79 \$68.89
2Y COMM BIN 1XW	TRASH REMOVAL	\$148.38	\$141.16	\$81.53
3Y COMM BIN 1XW	TRASH REMOVAL	\$186.96	\$179.75	\$91.22
KC ADMIN FEE	KC ADMIN FEE	\$1.00		

<sup>\*</sup> Not shown in the above rate are the Kern County Gate Fee rates which are effective July 1, 2023: \$3.47 per cubic yd (Kern) & \$5.13 per cubic yd (Tulare)

## **COMMERCIAL ORGANICS RATES**

			EA ADDITIONAL	
SERVICE	DESCRIPTION	MONTHLY RATE	CONTAINER	
96GAL COMM ORG 1XW	ORGANICS	\$48.78	\$43.30	

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#### **COMMERCIAL RECYCLING RATES**

SERVICE	DESCRIPTION	MONTHLY RATE
3Y COMM REC EOW 3Y COMM REC 1XW	RECYCLING RECYCLING	\$70.56 \$125.79
3Y COMM REC 2XW	RECYCLING	\$237.58

## AB 1826 & SB 1383 REQUIREMENTS FOR BUSINESSES

You may not think about food waste when it comes to the climate crisis, but according to <u>CalRecycle</u>, organic waste in landfills emit 20% of the state's methane, a climate super pollutant 84 times more potent than carbon dioxide. To respond to the climate crisis, California has implemented a statewide organic waste recycling and surplus food recovery law: <u>SB 1383</u>. Starting July 1, 2023, all businesses that produce two (2) cubic yards or more per week in *Kern County Census Tract 52.05*, *Lake Isabella*, will need to separate organic waste from other trash and non-organic recyclables and participate in an organics and a recycling collection program. Organic waste for the purposes of AB 1826, means food waste, green waste, landscape and pruning waste, nonhazardous wood waste, and food-soiled paper waste that is mixed in with food waste. Edible food generators will also need to arrange to recover the maximum amount of their edible food that would otherwise go to landfills and maintain records. Our staff will begin contacting the qualifying businesses soon to assist in these new changes.

## **OTHER SERVICES**

## SEPTIC AND GREASE TRAP PUMPING

Did you know that we pump septic tanks and grease traps too? The last thing you want to worry about when running your business is your septic tank or grease trap. Let us handle those tanks for you and sign up for our septic/grease maintenance schedule to keep your tanks at healthy operating levels and avoid any inconvenient disruptions in your business.

# PORTABLE TOILET SERVICE AND RENTALS

Whether you are hosting a party, remodeling, or heading to the river or lake to camp, renting a portable toilet and hand wash unit is the perfect way to meet your bathroom needs. Contact us today!



# HOLIDAY SERVICE SCHEDULES REMINDER

Effective July 1, 2023, we observe the following holidays: *New Year's Day, Independence Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day*. On these days our offices will be closed, and no services will be provided. If a collection day falls on an observed holiday, that day and the following collection days during that week will move to the following day. For example, if Monday is a holiday, the collection will move to Tuesday and Tuesday's collection will move to Wednesday, etc. No collection will be performed on Sunday.

#### **BILL PAY OPTIONS**

We offer several ways to pay your bill: Online at <a href="www.ThomasRefuse.com">www.ThomasRefuse.com</a>; AutoPay; by mail; over the phone; in the office; or drop box. We accept all major credit cards, checks, mail orders, and cash. E-check payments will be available beginning July 1. 2023.

## **OFFICE HOURS**

Our office is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Our office closes early the day before observed holidays and is closed on all observed holidays.

SPECIAL SERVICES - 2023 Zones 1, 2 and 3							
(Universal and Non-Universal Areas)							
SERVICE		RATE	NOTES				
Account Restart Fee	\$	30.00					
Bear Proof Cart	\$	6.00	\$/month				
Bear Proof Cart Replacement	\$	300.00					
Bin Rental Fee	\$	20.00	\$/month				
Bin Delivery Fee	\$	55.00	each				
Cart Replacement (96-gal)	\$	85.00					
Cart Redelivery Fee (96-gal)	\$	30.00					
Certification (Customer Req'd)	\$	50.00	\$/hr/employee (FAA, Facility Safety Cert. etc)				
Commercial Off-County Maintained Road	\$	9.00	\$/mo - Distance > 0.25 miles				
	\$	5.00	\$/mo - Every additional 0.25 mile				
Gravity Bin Service Fee	\$	8.00	\$/month, No installation fee				
Individually Scheduled Bin Service		50.00	\$/pick-up				
Individually Scheduled/Extra Cart Service	\$	30.00	\$/pick-up (may apply to contaminated cart)				
Individually Dispatched Bin Service	\$	85.00	\$/pick-up				
Lock/unlock Customer Enclosure	\$	12.00	\$/month				
Install Manual Bar Lock	\$	55.00	No monthly service fee				
Install Gravity Lock	\$	165.00	No monthly service fee				
Manually Rolling Bins	\$	10.00	\$/month/20'				
Packer Truck Rate with Driver	\$	180.00	\$/hour				
Residential Off-County Maintained Road							
(Must be on public access easement road)			\$/pick-up				
Residential Walk-in Service		5.00	\$/pick-up (No charge with Medical Exemption)				

#### NOTE

If a Special Service is required - it will be directly billed by the Franchise Hauler.