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Bob Stump -

I cannot believe the nerve of Far West Water and Sewer in asking for any increase in rates, let alone the outrageous increase they are asking for. I know it is an often used ploy, to ask for more than you really expect to have approved, but asking for any increase at this time is ridiculous. Are they asleep, don't they realize that we are in a recession. Don't they realize people are losing their homes, losing their jobs. Many retired folks have lost most of their savings.

My wife and I are a retired couple living on Social Security. As with so many living in this area we are presently living on the edge. We have no additional income to pay for any increase in utilities.

Why are they doing this? Are they trying to hide the fact that they want to take money from their existing customers to expand their company by putting in utilities for developers? Developers should pay their own way, and not on the backs of those who are already paying very high utility bills.

I ask you please reject Far West Water and Sewer Company's request for a rate increase.

Irven Smith

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