



# NOVATO SANITARY DISTRICT

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### **NO RATE INCREASE FOR GARBAGE SERVICE IN 2010. Garbage Service in Novato to Remain Lowest in Marin County**

Novato Disposal announced last night at the Board of Directors meeting for Novato Sanitary District that they will forego their contractually allowed revenue increase from the District this year.

Novato Disposal is the franchise trash hauler for the Novato Sanitary District, and this will allow the District to hold customer rates unchanged this year, keeping Novato's garbage rate the lowest in Marin County.

After an annual rate review was performed by R3 Consulting, it was determined that Novato Disposal was eligible for a 0.68% revenue increase this year or about \$68,000. Steve McCaffrey, Director of Governmental Affairs at Novato Disposal explained the reasons for avoiding an increase, "Times are tough right now, we understand that. We want to continue to provide good service at an affordable rate."

Novato Disposal's parent company, Redwood Empire Disposal, also serves Bolinas, West Marin and Stinson Beach, and will forego increases in those communities as well.

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