



Maximum prices for water, wastewater and other services supplied by Central Coast Council from 1 July 2026

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Part 1 Preliminary

1 Application of this determination

- (1) Subject to the exclusions in clause 2, this determination fixes maximum prices or sets methodologies for fixing maximum prices for the following services provided by Central Coast Council:
 - (a) Water Supply Services;
 - (b) Wastewater Services;
 - (c) Trade Waste Services; and
 - (d) Miscellaneous Customer Services;(together, the **Monopoly Services**).
- (2) For the avoidance of doubt, this determination fixes the maximum prices or sets methodologies for fixing the maximum prices that Central Coast Council may levy for the Monopoly Services. It does not specify who Central Coast Council may levy the maximum prices on.

2 Services excluded from this determination

This determination does not apply to:

- (1) Water Supply Services and Wastewater Services provided pursuant to a Negotiated Services Agreement.
- (2) Water Supply Services and Wastewater Services supplied to a New WIC Act Scheme.
- (3) any Miscellaneous Customer Services provided by Central Coast Council not listed in Table 5.1.

Note: The effect of clause 2(3) is that there is no determined maximum price of any Miscellaneous Customer Services not listed in Table 5.1, and Central Coast Council and its customers are at liberty to negotiate a price until and unless IPART determines a maximum price. Either Central Coast Council or a customer may approach IPART to fix a maximum price for a Miscellaneous Customer Service in a future determination.

3 Commencement and term of this determination

- (1) This determination commences on the later of:
 - (a) 1 July 2026; and
 - (b) the date that it is published in the NSW Government Gazette

(Commencement Date).
- (2) Subject to clause 3(3), the maximum prices under this determination apply from the Commencement Date to 30 June 2031.

- (3) The maximum prices under this determination prevailing at 30 June 2031 continue to apply beyond 30 June 2031 until this determination is revoked or replaced.

4 Replacement of 2022 Determination

This determination replaces the 2022 Determination.

5 Legislative background

- (1) This determination is made under section 11(1)(a) of the IPART Act. That provision requires IPART to conduct investigations and make reports to the Minister on the determination of pricing for government monopoly services supplied by a government agency specified in Schedule 1 to the IPART Act.
- (2) The services for which this determination fixes prices are government monopoly services because the Minister declared them as such in the Order.
- (3) Central Coast Council is a government agency specified in Schedule 1 to the IPART Act (excluding stormwater drainage services).

Note: This determination does not set prices for stormwater drainage services provided by Central Coast Council because, due to an amendment to the IPART Act in 2024, the Tribunal does not have a standing reference to fix prices for those services under section 11(1)(a) of the IPART Act.

Part 2 Water Supply Services

6 Maximum prices for Water Supply Services

- (1) Subject to clauses 6(2), 6(3) and 6(4), the maximum price that Central Coast Council may levy for supplying Water Supply Services to a Property (other than an Unconnected Property or Exempt Land) in a Period is the amount calculated using the formula in Box 2.1.
- (2) The maximum price that Central Coast Council may levy for supplying Water Supply Services to an Unconnected Property is \$0.
- (3) The maximum price that Central Coast Council may levy for supplying Water Supply Services to Exempt Land (other than Exempt Land that is an Unconnected Property) in a Period is the water usage charge that applies to that land under clause 8.
- (4) The maximum price that Central Coast Council may levy for supplying Water Supply Services to an Existing WIC Act Scheme in a Period is the maximum price that would be calculated under this clause 6 if that Existing WIC Act Scheme were a single Non-Residential Property.

Box 2.1 Maximum prices for Water Supply Services

$$MP_{WSS} = SC_{WSS} + UC_{WSS}$$

Where:

MP_{WSS} means the maximum price that Central Coast Council may levy for supplying Water Supply Services to a Property in a Period;

SC_{WSS} means the water supply service charge applicable to that Property, calculated in accordance with clause 7; and

UC_{WSS} means the water usage charge applicable to that Property, calculated in accordance with clause 8.

7 Water supply service charge

7.1 Standard water supply service charge

- (1) Subject to clauses 7.2 and 7.3, the water supply service charge (SC_{WSS}) applicable to a Property is the sum of the water supply service charges for each Meter that services that Property.

Note: Clause 7.2 deems certain Properties to have a single 20mm Meter and clause 7.3 apportions the water supply service charge for a Common Meter between the Properties serviced by that Common Meter.

- (2) The water supply service charge applicable to a particular Meter in a Period is the amount specified in Table 2.1 for the applicable Meter size and applicable Period.

7.2 Certain Properties are deemed to have a single 20mm Meter

For the purposes of clause 7.1(1), the following categories of Property are deemed to have a single 20mm Meter:

- (1) each Residential Property;
- (2) each Unmetered Property; and
- (3) each Non-Residential Property within a Mixed Multi-Premises that is serviced by a Common Meter.

7.3 The water supply service charge for a Common Meter is to be apportioned between the Properties serviced by the Common Meter

- (1) This clause applies where a Property:
 - (a) is serviced by a Common Meter; and
 - (b) is not deemed to have a single 20mm Meter under clause 7.2.
- (2) Where this clause applies, the applicable water supply service charge in Table 2.1 for the Property is to be a portion, reasonably determined by Central Coast Council, of the applicable water supply service charge for the Common Meter.
- (3) The sum of the portions determined by Central Coast Council under clause 7.3(2) for the Properties serviced by a particular Common Meter must equal the water supply service charge in Table 2.1 for a Meter of that size.

Table 2.1 Water supply service charges (\$)

Meter size	1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027	1 July 2027 to 30 June 2028	1 July 2028 to 30 June 2029	1 July 2029 to 30 June 2030	1 July 2030 to 30 June 2031
20mm	228.73	228.73 x CPI ₁	228.73 x CPI ₂	228.73 x CPI ₃	228.73 x CPI ₄
25mm	357.39	357.39 x CPI ₁	357.39 x CPI ₂	357.39 x CPI ₃	357.39 x CPI ₄
32mm	585.55	585.55 x CPI ₁	585.55 x CPI ₂	585.55 x CPI ₃	585.55 x CPI ₄
40mm	914.92	914.92 x CPI ₁	914.92 x CPI ₂	914.92 x CPI ₃	914.92 x CPI ₄
50mm	1,429.56	1,429.56 x CPI ₁	1,429.56 x CPI ₂	1,429.56 x CPI ₃	1,429.56 x CPI ₄
80mm	3,659.68	3,659.68 x CPI ₁	3,659.68 x CPI ₂	3,659.68 x CPI ₃	3,659.68 x CPI ₄
100mm	5,718.25	5,718.25 x CPI ₁	5,718.25 x CPI ₂	5,718.25 x CPI ₃	5,718.25 x CPI ₄
Other Meter sizes	$\frac{(\text{Meter size in mm})^2 \times (\text{water supply service charge for a 20mm Meter for the applicable Period})}{400}$				

8 Water usage charge

8.1 Standard water usage charge

The water usage charge (UC_{WSS}) applicable to a Property in a Period is the amount calculated using the formula in Box 2.2.

Box 2.2 Water usage charge

$$UC_{WSS} = V_{WSS} \times C_{WSS}$$

Where:

UC_{WSS} means the water usage charge applicable to the Property in the Period;

V_{WSS} means the volume (in kilolitres) supplied to the Property in the Period as calculated under clause 8.2; and

C_{WSS} means the charge per kilolitre specified in Table 2.2 for the applicable Period.

8.2 Calculation of usage volumes

- (1) For the purposes of clause 8.1, the volume supplied to a Property in a Period is the sum of:
 - (a) in the case of a Property serviced by an Individual Meter, the volume supplied to the Property as measured by the Individual Meter;
 - (b) in the case of a Property serviced by a Common Meter, the volume deemed to have been supplied to the Property under clause 8.2(2); and

- (c) in the case of a Property that is an Unmetered Property, the volume deemed to have been supplied to that Unmetered Property under clause 8.2(4).

Example 1: Where, during a single Period, a Property is supplied 100kL as measured by an Individual Meter and 50kL as reasonably determined by Central Coast Council under clause 8.2(2) in respect of water supplied by a Common Meter, the total volume supplied to that Property in that Period is 150kL.

Example 2: Where a Property is metered for part of a Period and unmetered for part of that Period because the Meter supplying that Property breaks, the total volume supplied to that Property will be the volume measured by the Meter (determined in accordance with clause 8.2(1)(a)) plus the volume deemed to have been supplied during the unmetered period (determined in accordance with clause 8.2(4)).

- (2) Where a Property is serviced by a Common Meter, that Property is deemed to have been supplied the volume reasonably determined by Central Coast Council.
- (3) The sum of the volumes determined by Central Coast Council under clause 8.2(2) for the Properties serviced by a particular Common Meter must equal the total volume supplied as measured by that Common Meter.
- (4) For any period of time that a Property is an Unmetered Property, that Property is deemed to have been supplied:
- (a) where there is not a Previous Metered Period, zero kilolitres over the relevant period of time; or
- (b) where there is a Previous Metered Period, the volume calculated using the formula in Box 2.3.

Box 2.3 Volume supplied to an Unmetered Property where there is a Previous Metered Period

$$U = \frac{V}{T} \times D$$

Where:

U means the volume deemed to have been supplied by Central Coast Council to the Unmetered Property over the relevant period of time that the Property was an Unmetered Property;

V means the total volume supplied by Central Coast Council to the Unmetered Property over the Previous Metered Period;

T means the total number of days in the Previous Metered Period; and

D means the total number of days for which the Property was an Unmetered Property.

Table 2.2 Charge for water usage (\$ per kL)

	1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027	1 July 2027 to 30 June 2028	1 July 2028 to 30 June 2029	1 July 2029 to 30 June 2030	1 July 2030 to 30 June 2031
Charge for water usage	3.18	3.18 x CPI ₁	3.18 x CPI ₂	3.18 x CPI ₃	3.18 x CPI ₄

Part 3 Wastewater Services

9 Maximum prices for Wastewater Services

- (1) Subject to clauses 9(2), 9(3) and 9(4), the maximum price that Central Coast Council may levy for supplying Wastewater Services to a Property (other than an Unconnected Property or Exempt Land) in a Period is the amount calculated using the formula in Box 3.1.
- (2) The maximum price that Central Coast Council may levy for supplying Wastewater Services to an Unconnected Property is \$0.
- (3) The maximum price that Central Coast Council may levy for supplying Wastewater Services to Exempt Land (other than Exempt Land that is an Unconnected Property) in a Period is the wastewater usage charge that applies to that land under clause 11.
- (4) The maximum price that Central Coast Council may levy for supplying Wastewater Services to an Existing WIC Act Scheme in a Period is the maximum price that would be calculated under this clause if that Existing WIC Act Scheme were a single Non-Residential Property.

Box 3.1 Maximum price for Wastewater Services

$$MP_{WS} = SC_{WS} + UC_{WS}$$

Where:

MP_{WS} means the maximum price that Central Coast Council may levy for supplying Wastewater Services to a Property in a Period;

SC_{WS} means the adjusted wastewater service charge applicable to that Property calculated in accordance with clause 10; and

UC_{WS} means the wastewater usage charge applicable to that Property calculated in accordance with clause 11.

10 Wastewater service charges

10.1 Standard wastewater service charge

- (1) Subject to clause 10.2, the adjusted wastewater service charge (SC_{WS}) applicable to a Property in a Period is the sum of the adjusted wastewater service charges for each Meter that services the Property in the Period.

Note: Clause 10.2 deems certain Properties to have a single 20mm Meter.

- (2) For the purposes of clause 10.1(1), the adjusted wastewater service charge applicable to a particular Meter in a Period is the amount calculated using the formula in Box 3.2.

Box 3.2 Adjusted wastewater service charge

$$SC_{WS} = USC_{WS} \times DF_{WS}$$

Where:

SC_{WS} means the adjusted wastewater service charge applicable to a particular Meter in a Period;

USC_{WS} means, subject to clauses 10.2 and 10.3, the unadjusted wastewater service charge in Table 3.1 for the applicable Meter size and applicable Period; and

Note: Clause 10.2 deems certain Properties to have a single 20mm Meter and clause 10.3 apportions the unadjusted wastewater supply service charge for a Common Meter between the Properties serviced by that Common Meter.

DF_{WS} means the applicable Wastewater Discharge Factor.

Note: The Wastewater Discharge Factor for all Residential Properties (and other Properties deemed to have a 20mm Meter under clause 10.2) is 75%. The Wastewater Discharge Factor for all other Properties is the percentage of water supplied to the Property that Central Coast Council reasonably estimates is discharged into the wastewater system.

Table 3.1 Unadjusted wastewater service charges (\$)

Meter size	1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027	1 July 2027 to 30 June 2028	1 July 2028 to 30 June 2029	1 July 2029 to 30 June 2030	1 July 2030 to 30 June 2031
20mm	1,032.90	1,032.90 x CPI ₁	1,032.90 x CPI ₂	1,032.90 x CPI ₃	1,032.90 x CPI ₄
25mm	1,613.91	1,613.91 x CPI ₁	1,613.91 x CPI ₂	1,613.91 x CPI ₃	1,613.91 x CPI ₄
32mm	2,644.22	2,644.22 x CPI ₁	2,644.22 x CPI ₂	2,644.22 x CPI ₃	2,644.22 x CPI ₄
40mm	4,131.60	4,131.60 x CPI ₁	4,131.60 x CPI ₂	4,131.60 x CPI ₃	4,131.60 x CPI ₄
50mm	6,455.63	6,455.63 x CPI ₁	6,455.63 x CPI ₂	6,455.63 x CPI ₃	6,455.63 x CPI ₄
80mm	16,526.40	16,526.40 x CPI ₁	16,526.40 x CPI ₂	16,526.40 x CPI ₃	16,526.40 x CPI ₄
100mm	25,822.50	25,822.50 x CPI ₁	25,822.50 x CPI ₂	25,822.50 x CPI ₃	25,822.50 x CPI ₄
Other Meter sizes	$\frac{(\text{Meter size in mm})^2 \times (\text{unadjusted wastewater service charge for a 20mm Meter for the applicable Period})}{400}$				

10.2 Certain Properties are deemed to have a single 20mm Meter

For the purposes of clause 10.1(1), the following categories of Property are deemed to have a single 20mm Meter:

- (1) each Residential Property;
- (2) each Unmetered Property; and
- (3) each Non-Residential Property within a Mixed Multi-Premises that is serviced by a Common Meter.

10.3 The unadjusted wastewater service charge for a Common Meter is to be apportioned between the Properties serviced by the Common Meter

- (1) This clause applies where a Property:
 - (a) is serviced by a Common Meter; and
 - (b) is not deemed to have a single 20mm Meter under clause 10.2.
- (2) Where this clause applies, the applicable unadjusted wastewater service charge (USC_{WS}) for the Property is to be a portion, reasonably determined by Central Coast Council, of the applicable unadjusted wastewater service charge for the Common Meter in Table 3.1.
- (3) The sum of the portions determined by Central Coast Council under clause 10.3(2) for the Properties serviced by a particular Common Meter must equal the applicable unadjusted wastewater service charge in Table 3.1 for a Meter of that size.

11 Wastewater usage charge

11.1 Standard wastewater usage charge

The wastewater usage charge applicable to a Property in a Period is the amount calculated using the formula in Box 3.3.

Box 3.3 Wastewater usage charge

$$UC_{WS} = V_{WS} \times C_{WS}$$

Where:

UC_{WS} means the wastewater usage charge applicable to the Property in the Period;

V_{WS} means the volume (in kilolitres) discharged from the Property into the wastewater system as calculated under clause 11.2; and

C_{WS} means the charge per kilolitre specified in Table 3.2 for the applicable Period.

11.2 Calculation of discharge volumes

- (1) For the purposes of clause 11.1, the volume discharged from a Property into the wastewater system in a Period is either:
 - (a) in the case of a Property that is not serviced by a Wastewater Meter at any time during the Period, the volume deemed to have been discharged from the Property into the wastewater system under clause 11.2(2); or
 - (b) in the case of a Property serviced by a Wastewater Meter for any part of the Period:

- (i) for the part of the Period that the Property was serviced by a Wastewater Meter, the volume discharged from the Property into the wastewater system as measured by the Wastewater Meter; and
- (ii) for the part of the Period that the Property was not serviced by a Wastewater Meter, if applicable, any volume deemed to have been discharged under clause 11.2(3).

Note: The vast majority of Properties in Central Coast Council's area of operations are not serviced by a Wastewater Meter.

- (2) The volume deemed to have been discharged from a Property into the wastewater system is:
 - (a) in the case of a Residential Property:
 - (i) within a Multi-Premises, $\frac{80}{365}$ kilolitres per day;
 - (ii) not within a Multi-Premises, $\frac{125}{365}$ kilolitres per day; and
 - (b) in the case of a Non-Residential Property:
 - (i) within a Mixed Multi-Premises, $\frac{125}{365}$ kilolitres per day;
 - (ii) not within a Mixed Multi-Premises, the volume of water supplied to that Property as determined under clause 8.2 multiplied by the applicable Wastewater Discharge Factor.
- (3) For a Property that was serviced by a Wastewater Meter for only part of a Period, the volume deemed to have been discharged for the part of the Period that the Property was not serviced by that Wastewater Meter is the volume that would have been calculated for that Property under clause 11.2(2) pro-rated for the number of days in the Period during which the Property was not serviced by a Wastewater Meter.

Table 3.2 Charge for wastewater usage (\$ per kL)

	1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027	1 July 2027 to 30 June 2028	1 July 2028 to 30 June 2029	1 July 2029 to 30 June 2030	1 July 2030 to 30 June 2031
Charge for wastewater usage	0.92	0.92 x CPI ₁	0.92 x CPI ₂	0.92 x CPI ₃	0.92 x CPI ₄

Part 4 Trade Waste Services

12 There are four categories of Trade Waste Services

IPART has determined maximum prices for four categories of Trade Waste Services:

- (1) Category S Trade Waste Discharge Services;
- (2) Category 1 Trade Waste Discharge Services;
- (3) Category 2 Trade Waste Discharge Services; and
- (4) Category 3 Trade Waste Discharge Services.

Note: There are worked examples for each of these categories of Trade Waste Services in Central Coast Council's Trade Waste Policy.

13 General provisions for Trade Waste Services

- (1) The maximum price that Central Coast Council may levy for supplying Trade Waste Services to a customer is the maximum price calculated in accordance with this Part 4 for the applicable category of Trade Waste Services.
- (2) For the purposes of this Part 4, a reinspection fee is only required when a regular inspection by Central Coast Council uncovers non-compliance with the conditions of any approval issued by Central Coast Council and there are no further regular inspections included in the annual fee to confirm that the amelioration work is complete.
- (3) For the purposes of clause 13(2):
 - (a) there is one regular inspection included in the annual fee for:
 - (i) Category S Trade Waste Discharge Services;
 - (ii) Category 1 Trade Waste Discharge Services; and
 - (iii) Category 2 Trade Waste Discharge Services; and
 - (b) there are two regular inspections included in the annual fee for Category 3 Trade Waste Discharge Services.

14 Maximum prices for Category S Trade Waste Discharge Services

The maximum price that Central Coast Council may levy for supplying Category S Trade Waste Discharge Services to a customer in a Period is the amount calculated using the formula in Box 4.1.

Box 4.1 Maximum prices for Category S Trade Waste Discharge Services

$$MP_{CS} = A_{CS} + (V_{CS} \times U_{CS}) + (R \times n)$$

Where:

MP_{CS} means the maximum price that Central Coast Council may levy for supplying Category S Trade Waste Discharge Services to a customer in a Period;

A_{CS} means:

- (1) in any Period during which the customer uses the Category S Trade Waste Discharge Services for the first time, the application fee in Table 4.1 for the applicable Period; and
- (2) in any other Period, the annual fee in Table 4.1 for the applicable Period;

V_{CS} means the volume (in kilolitres) of liquid trade waste as reasonably determined by Central Coast Council;

U_{CS} means:

- (1) where the trade waste is septage and septic effluent, the septage and septic effluent usage charge per kilolitre of liquid trade waste in Table 4.1 for the applicable Period; and
- (2) where the trade waste is septic effluent only, the septic effluent usage charge per kilolitre of liquid trade waste in Table 4.1 for the applicable Period;

R means, subject to clauses 13(2) and 13(3), the reinspection fee in Table 4.1 for the applicable Period; and

n means, subject to clauses 13(2) and 13(3), the number of reinspections in the Period.

Table 4.1 Category S Trade Waste Discharge Services Fees and Charges

Fees and Charges	1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027	1 July 2027 to 30 June 2028	1 July 2028 to 30 June 2029	1 July 2029 to 30 June 2030	1 July 2030 to 30 June 2031
Application fee (\$) (A_{CS})	193.87	193.87 x CPI ₁	193.87 x CPI ₂	193.87 x CPI ₃	193.87 x CPI ₄
Annual fee (\$) (A_{CS})	501.98	501.98 x CPI ₁	501.98 x CPI ₂	501.98 x CPI ₃	501.98 x CPI ₄
Septage and septic effluent usage charge (\$) per kL (U_{CS})	3.05	3.05 x CPI ₁	3.05 x CPI ₂	3.05 x CPI ₃	3.05 x CPI ₄
Septic effluent usage charge (\$) per kL (U_{CS})	22.90	22.90 x CPI ₁	22.90 x CPI ₂	22.90 x CPI ₃	22.90 x CPI ₄

Fees and Charges	1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027	1 July 2027 to 30 June 2028	1 July 2028 to 30 June 2029	1 July 2029 to 30 June 2030	1 July 2030 to 30 June 2031
Reinspection fee (\$) (<i>R</i>)	333.66	333.66 x CPI ₁	333.66 x CPI ₂	333.66 x CPI ₃	333.66 x CPI ₄

15 Maximum prices for Category 1 Trade Waste Discharge Services

The maximum price that Central Coast Council may levy for supplying Category 1 Trade Waste Discharge Services to a customer in a Period is the amount calculated using the formula in Box 4.2.

Box 4.2 Maximum prices for Category 1 Trade Waste Discharge Services

$$MP_{C1} = A_{C1} + (R \times n)$$

Where:

MP_{C1} means the maximum price that Central Coast Council may levy for supplying Category 1 Trade Waste Discharge Services to a customer in a Period;

A_{C1} means:

- (1) in any Period during which the customer uses the Category 1 Trade Waste Discharge Services for the first time, the application fee in Table 4.2 for the applicable Period; and
- (2) in any other Period, the annual fee in Table 4.2 for the applicable Period;

R means, subject to clauses 13(2) and 13(3), the reinspection fee in Table 4.2 for the applicable Period; and

n means, subject to clauses 13(2) and 13(3), the number of reinspections in the Period.

Table 4.2 Category 1 Trade Waste Discharge Services Fees (\$)

Fees	1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027	1 July 2027 to 30 June 2028	1 July 2028 to 30 June 2029	1 July 2029 to 30 June 2030	1 July 2030 to 30 June 2031
Application fee (A_{C1})	153.49	153.49 x CPI ₁	153.49 x CPI ₂	153.49 x CPI ₃	153.49 x CPI ₄
Annual fee (A_{C1})	161.56	161.56 x CPI ₁	161.56 x CPI ₂	161.56 x CPI ₃	161.56 x CPI ₄
Reinspection fee (R)	333.66	333.66 x CPI ₁	333.66 x CPI ₂	333.66 x CPI ₃	333.66 x CPI ₄

16 Maximum prices for Category 2 Trade Waste Discharge Services

The maximum price that Central Coast Council may levy for supplying Category 2 Trade Waste Discharge Services to a customer in a Period is the amount calculated using the formula in Box 4.3.

Box 4.3 Maximum prices for Category 2 Trade Waste Discharge Services

$$MP_{C2} = A_{C2} + (V_{C2} \times D \times U_{C2}) + (R \times n)$$

Where:

MP_{C2} means the maximum price that Central Coast Council may levy for supplying Category 2 Trade Waste Discharge Services to a customer in a Period;

A_{C2} means:

- (1) in any Period during which the customer uses the Category 2 Trade Waste Discharge Services for the first time, the application fee in Table 4.3 for the applicable Period; and
- (2) in any other Period, the annual fee in Table 4.3 for the applicable Period;

V_{C2} means the volume of water (in kilolitres) supplied to the customer in that Period, as determined in accordance with clause 8.2;

D means the applicable Trade Waste Discharge Factor;

U_{C2} means:

- (1) where the customer has undertaken the necessary pre-treatment in accordance with the Trade Waste Policy, the compliant trade waste usage charge in Table 4.3 for the applicable Period; and
- (2) where the customer discharges trade waste that is non-compliant with the Trade Waste Policy and has not undertaken the necessary pre-treatment in accordance with the Trade Waste Policy, the non-compliant trade waste usage charge in Table 4.3 for the applicable Period;

R means, subject to clauses 13(2) and 13(3), the reinspection fee in Table 4.3 for the applicable Period; and

n means, subject to clauses 13(2) and 13(3), the number of reinspections in the Period.

Table 4.3 Category 2 Trade Waste Discharge Services Fees and Charges

Fees and Charges	1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027	1 July 2027 to 30 June 2028	1 July 2028 to 30 June 2029	1 July 2029 to 30 June 2030	1 July 2030 to 30 June 2031
Application fee (\$) (A_{C2})	242.34	242.34 x CPI ₁	242.34 x CPI ₂	242.34 x CPI ₃	242.34 x CPI ₄
Annual fee (\$) (A_{C2})	526.21	526.21 x CPI ₁	526.21 x CPI ₂	526.21 x CPI ₃	526.21 x CPI ₄
Compliant trade waste usage charge (\$ per kL) (U_{C2})	2.32	2.32 x CPI ₁	2.32 x CPI ₂	2.32 x CPI ₃	2.32 x CPI ₄

Fees and Charges	1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027	1 July 2027 to 30 June 2028	1 July 2028 to 30 June 2029	1 July 2029 to 30 June 2030	1 July 2030 to 30 June 2031
Non-compliant trade waste usage charge (\$ per kL) (U_{C2})	20.95	20.95 x CPI ₁	20.95 x CPI ₂	20.95 x CPI ₃	20.95 x CPI ₄
Reinspection fee (\$) (R)	333.66	333.66 x CPI ₁	333.66 x CPI ₂	333.66 x CPI ₃	333.66 x CPI ₄

17 Maximum prices for Category 3 Trade Waste Discharge Services

The maximum price that Central Coast Council may levy for supplying Category 3 Trade Waste Discharge Services to a customer in a Period is the amount calculated using the formula in Box 4.4.

Box 4.4 Maximum prices for Category 3 Trade Waste Discharge Services

$$MP_{C3} = A_{C3} + M + P + (R \times n) + (I \times I_n)$$

Where:

MP_{C3} means the maximum price that Central Coast Council may levy for supplying Category 3 Trade Waste Discharge Services to a customer in a Period;

A_{C3} means:

- (1) in any Period during which the customer uses the Category 3 Trade Waste Discharge Services for the first time, the application fee in Table 4.4 for the applicable Period; and
- (2) in any other Period, the annual fee in Table 4.4 for the applicable Period;

M means the aggregate of excess mass charges in Table 4.5, calculated in accordance with the Trade Waste Policy;

P means the pre-lodgement engagement fee in Table 4.4 for the applicable Period;

R means, subject to clauses 13(2) and 13(3), the reinspection fee in Table 4.4 for the applicable Period; and

n means, subject to clauses 13(2) and 13(3), the number of reinspections in the Period;

I means the additional monitoring inspection fee in Table 4.4 for the applicable Period;

I_n means the number of additional monitoring inspections in the Period.

Table 4.4 Category 3 Trade Waste Discharge Services Fees (\$)

Fees	1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027	1 July 2027 to 30 June 2028	1 July 2028 to 30 June 2029	1 July 2029 to 30 June 2030	1 July 2030 to 30 June 2031
Application fee (A _{C3})	4,343.85	4,343.85 x CPI ₁	4,343.85 x CPI ₂	4,343.85 x CPI ₃	4,343.85 x CPI ₄
Annual fee (A _{C3})	2,061.08	2,061.08 x CPI ₁	2,061.08 x CPI ₂	2,061.08 x CPI ₃	2,061.08 x CPI ₄
Reinspection fee (R)	333.66	333.66 x CPI ₁	333.66 x CPI ₂	333.66 x CPI ₃	333.66 x CPI ₄
Pre-lodgement engagement fee (P)	682.14	682.14 x CPI ₁	682.14 x CPI ₂	682.14 x CPI ₃	682.14 x CPI ₄
Additional monitoring and inspection fee (I)	460.46	460.46 x CPI ₁	460.46 x CPI ₂	460.46 x CPI ₃	460.46 x CPI ₄

Table 4.5 Category 3 Trade Waste Discharge Services Excess Mass Charges (\$ per kg)

Pollutant	1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027	1 July 2027 to 30 June 2028	1 July 2028 to 30 June 2029	1 July 2029 to 30 June 2030	1 July 2030 to 30 June 2031
Ammonia (as N)	3.05	3.05 x CPI ₁	3.05 x CPI ₂	3.05 x CPI ₃	3.05 x CPI ₄
Biochemical oxygen demand (BOD)	1.03	1.03 x CPI ₁	1.03 x CPI ₂	1.03 x CPI ₃	1.03 x CPI ₄
Cadmium	34.11	34.11 x CPI ₁	34.11 x CPI ₂	34.11 x CPI ₃	34.11 x CPI ₄
Chromium	34.11	34.11 x CPI ₁	34.11 x CPI ₂	34.11 x CPI ₃	34.11 x CPI ₄
Copper	20.95	20.95 x CPI ₁	20.95 x CPI ₂	20.95 x CPI ₃	20.95 x CPI ₄
Cyanide	103.54	103.54 x CPI ₁	103.54 x CPI ₂	103.54 x CPI ₃	103.54 x CPI ₄
Fluoride	5.11	5.11 x CPI ₁	5.11 x CPI ₂	5.11 x CPI ₃	5.11 x CPI ₄
Lead	51.16	51.16 x CPI ₁	51.16 x CPI ₂	51.16 x CPI ₃	51.16 x CPI ₄
Methylene blue active substances (MBAS)	1.03	1.03 x CPI ₁	1.03 x CPI ₂	1.03 x CPI ₃	1.03 x CPI ₄
Nickel	34.11	34.11 x CPI ₁	34.11 x CPI ₂	34.11 x CPI ₃	34.11 x CPI ₄
Oil and grease (total O&G)	1.88	1.88 x CPI ₁	1.88 x CPI ₂	1.88 x CPI ₃	1.88 x CPI ₄
Petroleum hydrocarbons	3.47	3.47 x CPI ₁	3.47 x CPI ₂	3.47 x CPI ₃	3.47 x CPI ₄
pH	0.61	0.61 x CPI ₁	0.61 x CPI ₂	0.61 x CPI ₃	0.61 x CPI ₄
Sulphate (SO ₄)	0.48	0.48 x CPI ₁	0.48 x CPI ₂	0.48 x CPI ₃	0.48 x CPI ₄
Sulphide (as S)	0.49	0.49 x CPI ₁	0.49 x CPI ₂	0.49 x CPI ₃	0.49 x CPI ₄
Total suspended solids (TSS)	1.34	1.34 x CPI ₁	1.34 x CPI ₂	1.34 x CPI ₃	1.34 x CPI ₄
Total dissolved solids (TDS)	0.31	0.31 x CPI ₁	0.31 x CPI ₂	0.31 x CPI ₃	0.31 x CPI ₄
Total Kjeldahl nitrogen minus ammonia (as N)	1.03	1.03 x CPI ₁	1.03 x CPI ₂	1.03 x CPI ₃	1.03 x CPI ₄
Total Phosphorus (as P)	2.13	2.13 x CPI ₁	2.13 x CPI ₂	2.13 x CPI ₃	2.13 x CPI ₄
Zinc	20.95	20.95 x CPI ₁	20.95 x CPI ₂	20.95 x CPI ₃	20.95 x CPI ₄

Note: Central Coast Council's Trade Waste Policy includes worked examples of how excess mass charges are calculated.

Part 5 Miscellaneous Customer Services

18 Maximum prices for Miscellaneous Customer Services

The maximum prices that Central Coast Council may levy for Miscellaneous Customer Services are listed in Table 5.1 for each applicable Period.

Note: The Tribunal has not set maximum prices for Miscellaneous Customer Services not listed in Table 5.1 in this determination, but may do so in future determinations. Central Coast Council and its customers are at liberty to negotiate a price for Miscellaneous Customer Services not listed in Table 5.1 until and unless the Tribunal determines a maximum price.

Table 5.1 Maximum prices for Miscellaneous Customer Services (\$)

No	Miscellaneous Customer Services	1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027	1 July 2027 to 30 June 2028	1 July 2028 to 30 June 2029	1 July 2029 to 30 June 2030	1 July 2030 to 30 June 2031
1.	Property wastewater line and drainage diagrams	18.00	18.00 x CPI ₁	18.00 x CPI ₂	18.00 x CPI ₃	18.00 x CPI ₄
2.	Water and sewer service location diagrams					
(a)	Standard diagrams	18.00	18.00 x CPI ₁	18.00 x CPI ₂	18.00 x CPI ₃	18.00 x CPI ₄
(b)	Including long section	30.86	30.86 x CPI ₁	30.86 x CPI ₂	30.86 x CPI ₃	30.86 x CPI ₄
3.	Special meter reading statement	32.15	32.15 x CPI ₁	32.15 x CPI ₂	32.15 x CPI ₃	32.15 x CPI ₄
4.	Water billing search statement					
(a)	From previous FY, up to and including 5 years	45.00	45.00 x CPI ₁	45.00 x CPI ₂	45.00 x CPI ₃	45.00 x CPI ₄
(b)	From previous FY, up to and including 10 years	86.62	86.62 x CPI ₁	86.62 x CPI ₂	86.62 x CPI ₃	86.62 x CPI ₄
(c)	From previous FY, beyond 10 years	122.14	122.14 x CPI ₁	122.14 x CPI ₂	122.14 x CPI ₃	122.14 x CPI ₄
5.	Building over or adjacent to existing water or wastewater statement	104.99	104.99 x CPI ₁	104.99 x CPI ₂	104.99 x CPI ₃	104.99 x CPI ₄
6.	Water service disconnection					
(a)	Application for disconnection	56.02	56.02 x CPI ₁	56.02 x CPI ₂	56.02 x CPI ₃	56.02 x CPI ₄
(b)	Physical disconnection					
(i)	20mm Meter	553.37	553.37 x CPI ₁	553.37 x CPI ₂	553.37 x CPI ₃	553.37 x CPI ₄
(ii)	25mm Meter	556.15	556.15 x CPI ₁	556.15 x CPI ₂	556.15 x CPI ₃	556.15 x CPI ₄
(iii)	32mm Meter	724.25	724.25 x CPI ₁	724.25 x CPI ₂	724.25 x CPI ₃	724.25 x CPI ₄
(iv)	40mm Meter	724.25	724.25 x CPI ₁	724.25 x CPI ₂	724.25 x CPI ₃	724.25 x CPI ₄
(v)	50mm Meter	818.00	818.00 x CPI ₁	818.00 x CPI ₂	818.00 x CPI ₃	818.00 x CPI ₄
(vi)	65mm Meter	818.00	818.00 x CPI ₁	818.00 x CPI ₂	818.00 x CPI ₃	818.00 x CPI ₄
(vii)	80mm Meter	1,149.27	1,149.27 x CPI ₁	1,149.27 x CPI ₂	1,149.27 x CPI ₃	1,149.27 x CPI ₄
(viii)	100mm Meter	1,190.42	1,190.42 x CPI ₁	1,190.42 x CPI ₂	1,190.42 x CPI ₃	1,190.42 x CPI ₄
(ix)	150mm Meter	1,628.06	1,628.06 x CPI ₁	1,628.06 x CPI ₂	1,628.06 x CPI ₃	1,628.06 x CPI ₄
7.	Replacement of a missing Meter					
(a)	Replacement					

No	Miscellaneous Customer Services	1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027	1 July 2027 to 30 June 2028	1 July 2028 to 30 June 2029	1 July 2029 to 30 June 2030	1 July 2030 to 30 June 2031
(i)	20mm Meter	77.94	77.94 x CPI ₁	77.94 x CPI ₂	77.94 x CPI ₃	77.94 x CPI ₄
(ii)	25mm Meter	77.94	77.94 x CPI ₁	77.94 x CPI ₂	77.94 x CPI ₃	77.94 x CPI ₄
(iii)	32mm Meter	116.91	116.91 x CPI ₁	116.91 x CPI ₂	116.91 x CPI ₃	116.91 x CPI ₄
(iv)	40mm Meter	116.91	116.91 x CPI ₁	116.91 x CPI ₂	116.91 x CPI ₃	116.91 x CPI ₄
(v)	50mm Meter	187.06	187.06 x CPI ₁	187.06 x CPI ₂	187.06 x CPI ₃	187.06 x CPI ₄
(vi)	65mm Meter	233.83	233.83 x CPI ₁	233.83 x CPI ₂	233.83 x CPI ₃	233.83 x CPI ₄
(vii)	80mm Meter	311.78	311.78 x CPI ₁	311.78 x CPI ₂	311.78 x CPI ₃	311.78 x CPI ₄
(viii)	100mm Meter	467.67	467.67 x CPI ₁	467.67 x CPI ₂	467.67 x CPI ₃	467.67 x CPI ₄
(ix)	150mm Meter	552.63	552.63 x CPI ₁	552.63 x CPI ₂	552.63 x CPI ₃	552.63 x CPI ₄
(b)	Unsuccessful site visit	62.36	62.36 x CPI ₁	62.36 x CPI ₂	62.36 x CPI ₃	62.36 x CPI ₄
8.	Workshop test of Meter					
(a)	20mm to 80mm Meter	398.39	398.39 x CPI ₁	398.39 x CPI ₂	398.39 x CPI ₃	398.39 x CPI ₄
(b)	> 80mm Meter	616.89	616.89 x CPI ₁	616.89 x CPI ₂	616.89 x CPI ₃	616.89 x CPI ₄
9.	Water service connection					
(a)	Application for connection (all sizes)	56.02	56.02 x CPI ₁	56.02 x CPI ₂	56.02 x CPI ₃	56.02 x CPI ₄
(b)	Connection Meter only (20mm)	154.99	154.99 x CPI ₁	154.99 x CPI ₂	154.99 x CPI ₃	154.99 x CPI ₄
(c)	Connection short service (20mm)	1,578.57	1,578.57 x CPI ₁	1,578.57 x CPI ₂	1,578.57 x CPI ₃	1,578.57 x CPI ₄
(d)	Connection long service (20mm)	3,065.76	3,065.76 x CPI ₁	3,065.76 x CPI ₂	3,065.76 x CPI ₃	3,065.76 x CPI ₄
(e)	Connection Meter only (25mm)	151.36	151.36 x CPI ₁	151.36 x CPI ₂	151.36 x CPI ₃	151.36 x CPI ₄
(f)	Connection short service (25mm)	1,747.79	1,747.79 x CPI ₁	1,747.79 x CPI ₂	1,747.79 x CPI ₃	1,747.79 x CPI ₄
(g)	Connection long service (25mm)	3,205.13	3,205.13 x CPI ₁	3,205.13 x CPI ₂	3,205.13 x CPI ₃	3,205.13 x CPI ₄
(h)	Connection Meter only (32mm)	241.63	241.63 x CPI ₁	241.63 x CPI ₂	241.63 x CPI ₃	241.63 x CPI ₄
(i)	Connection short service (32mm)	2,986.35	2,986.35 x CPI ₁	2,986.35 x CPI ₂	2,986.35 x CPI ₃	2,986.35 x CPI ₄
(j)	Connection long service (32mm)	4,230.50	4,230.50 x CPI ₁	4,230.50 x CPI ₂	4,230.50 x CPI ₃	4,230.50 x CPI ₄
(k)	Connection Meter only (40 mm)	260.22	260.22 x CPI ₁	260.22 x CPI ₂	260.22 x CPI ₃	260.22 x CPI ₄
(l)	Connection short service (40mm)	3,652.35	3,652.35 x CPI ₁	3,652.35 x CPI ₂	3,652.35 x CPI ₃	3,652.35 x CPI ₄

No	Miscellaneous Customer Services	1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027	1 July 2027 to 30 June 2028	1 July 2028 to 30 June 2029	1 July 2029 to 30 June 2030	1 July 2030 to 30 June 2031
(m)	Connection long service (40mm)	4,753.12	4,753.12 x CPI ₁	4,753.12 x CPI ₂	4,753.12 x CPI ₃	4,753.12 x CPI ₄
(n)	Connection Meter only (50mm)	339.88	339.88 x CPI ₁	339.88 x CPI ₂	339.88 x CPI ₃	339.88 x CPI ₄
(o)	Connection short service (50mm)	3,996.39	3,996.39 x CPI ₁	3,996.39 x CPI ₂	3,996.39 x CPI ₃	3,996.39 x CPI ₄
(p)	Connection long service (50mm)	5,039.23	5,039.23 x CPI ₁	5,039.23 x CPI ₂	5,039.23 x CPI ₃	5,039.23 x CPI ₄
(q)	Connection Meter only (65mm)	675.87	675.87 x CPI ₁	675.87 x CPI ₂	675.87 x CPI ₃	675.87 x CPI ₄
(r)	Connection short service (65mm)	4,691.85	4,691.85 x CPI ₁	4,691.85 x CPI ₂	4,691.85 x CPI ₃	4,691.85 x CPI ₄
(s)	Connection long service (65mm)	5,906.06	5,906.06 x CPI ₁	5,906.06 x CPI ₂	5,906.06 x CPI ₃	5,906.06 x CPI ₄
(t)	Connection Meter only (80mm)	807.50	807.50 x CPI ₁	807.50 x CPI ₂	807.50 x CPI ₃	807.50 x CPI ₄
(u)	Connection metered short service (80mm)	5,082.91	5,082.91 x CPI ₁	5,082.91 x CPI ₂	5,082.91 x CPI ₃	5,082.91 x CPI ₄
(v)	Connection unmetered short fire service (80mm)	5,082.91	5,082.91 x CPI ₁	5,082.91 x CPI ₂	5,082.91 x CPI ₃	5,082.91 x CPI ₄
(w)	Connection metered long service (80mm)	8,822.00	8,822.00 x CPI ₁	8,822.00 x CPI ₂	8,822.00 x CPI ₃	8,822.00 x CPI ₄
(x)	Connection unmetered long fire service (80mm)	8,822.00	8,822.00 x CPI ₁	8,822.00 x CPI ₂	8,822.00 x CPI ₃	8,822.00 x CPI ₄
(y)	Connection Meter only (100mm)	949.54	949.54 x CPI ₁	949.54 x CPI ₂	949.54 x CPI ₃	949.54 x CPI ₄
(z)	Connection metered short service (100mm)	5,586.76	5,586.76 x CPI ₁	5,586.76 x CPI ₂	5,586.76 x CPI ₃	5,586.76 x CPI ₄
(aa)	Connection unmetered short fire service (100mm)	5,586.76	5,586.76 x CPI ₁	5,586.76 x CPI ₂	5,586.76 x CPI ₃	5,586.76 x CPI ₄
(ab)	Connection metered long service (100mm)	9,941.48	9,941.48 x CPI ₁	9,941.48 x CPI ₂	9,941.48 x CPI ₃	9,941.48 x CPI ₄
(ac)	Connection unmetered long fire service (100mm)	9,941.48	9,941.48 x CPI ₁	9,941.48 x CPI ₂	9,941.48 x CPI ₃	9,941.48 x CPI ₄
(ad)	Connection Meter only (150mm)	1,627.18	1,627.18 x CPI ₁	1,627.18 x CPI ₂	1,627.18 x CPI ₃	1,627.18 x CPI ₄
(ae)	Connection metered short service (150mm)	9,682.58	9,682.58 x CPI ₁	9,682.58 x CPI ₂	9,682.58 x CPI ₃	9,682.58 x CPI ₄
(af)	Connection unmetered short fire service (150mm)	9,682.58	9,682.58 x CPI ₁	9,682.58 x CPI ₂	9,682.58 x CPI ₃	9,682.58 x CPI ₄
(ag)	Connection metered long service (150mm)	12,903.47	12,903.47 x CPI ₁	12,903.47 x CPI ₂	12,903.47 x CPI ₃	12,903.47 x CPI ₄
(ah)	Connection unmetered long fire service (150mm)	12,903.47	12,903.47 x CPI ₁	12,903.47 x CPI ₂	12,903.47 x CPI ₃	12,903.47 x CPI ₄
10.	Standpipe hire (security bond)					
(a)	25mm standpipe	856.23	856.23 x CPI ₁	856.23 x CPI ₂	856.23 x CPI ₃	856.23 x CPI ₄
(b)	65mm standpipe	1,889.35	1,889.35 x CPI ₁	1,889.35 x CPI ₂	1,889.35 x CPI ₃	1,889.35 x CPI ₄
11.	Standpipe hire (annual fee)					

No	Miscellaneous Customer Services	1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027	1 July 2027 to 30 June 2028	1 July 2028 to 30 June 2029	1 July 2029 to 30 June 2030	1 July 2030 to 30 June 2031
(a)	25mm standpipe	384.54	384.54 x CPI ₁	384.54 x CPI ₂	384.54 x CPI ₃	384.54 x CPI ₄
(b)	65mm standpipe	2,319.29	2,319.29 x CPI ₁	2,319.29 x CPI ₂	2,319.29 x CPI ₃	2,319.29 x CPI ₄
12.	Standpipe water usage (per kL)	3.18	3.18 x CPI ₁	3.18 x CPI ₂	3.18 x CPI ₃	3.18 x CPI ₄
13.	Bulkwater application fee	53.73	53.73 x CPI ₁	53.73 x CPI ₂	53.73 x CPI ₃	53.73 x CPI ₄
14.	Backflow prevention device application and initial registration	93.84	93.84 x CPI ₁	93.84 x CPI ₂	93.84 x CPI ₃	93.84 x CPI ₄
15.	Inspection of new water and wastewater assets (including encasements and new junctions)					
(a)	Inspection of new water and wastewater assets including encasements and new junctions	161.53	161.53 x CPI ₁	161.53 x CPI ₂	161.53 x CPI ₃	161.53 x CPI ₄
(b)	Linear asset	16.94	16.94 x CPI ₁	16.94 x CPI ₂	16.94 x CPI ₃	16.94 x CPI ₄
(c)	Laboratory analysis to confirm disinfection	29.99	29.99 x CPI ₁	29.99 x CPI ₂	29.99 x CPI ₃	29.99 x CPI ₄
(d)	After hours inspection (four hours or less)	646.12	646.12 x CPI ₁	646.12 x CPI ₂	646.12 x CPI ₃	646.12 x CPI ₄
(e)	After hours inspection (per hour beyond four hours)	161.53	161.53 x CPI ₁	161.53 x CPI ₂	161.53 x CPI ₃	161.53 x CPI ₄
(f)	Inspection of new water or sewage pump station	7,829.25	7,829.25 x CPI ₁	7,829.25 x CPI ₂	7,829.25 x CPI ₃	7,829.25 x CPI ₄
16.	Statement of available pressure and flow	234.31	234.31 x CPI ₁	234.31 x CPI ₂	234.31 x CPI ₃	234.31 x CPI ₄
17.	Adjust existing water service					
(a)	Application for adjustment of water service	56.02	56.02 x CPI ₁	56.02 x CPI ₂	56.02 x CPI ₃	56.02 x CPI ₄
(b)	Raise or lower adjust 20mm or 25mm Meter by ≤ 1 m	466.36	466.36 x CPI ₁	466.36 x CPI ₂	466.36 x CPI ₃	466.36 x CPI ₄
(c)	Laterally adjust 20mm or 25mm Meter by ≤ 1 m	659.43	659.43 x CPI ₁	659.43 x CPI ₂	659.43 x CPI ₃	659.43 x CPI ₄
18.	Water or wastewater technical engineering plan assessment					
(a)	Small projects (relocations, private SPS and/or development ≤10 lots or extension to properties outside area)	562.09	562.09 x CPI ₁	562.09 x CPI ₂	562.09 x CPI ₃	562.09 x CPI ₄
(b)	Medium projects (> 10 and < 50 lots, and mains relocation)	1,343.89	1,343.89 x CPI ₁	1,343.89 x CPI ₂	1,343.89 x CPI ₃	1,343.89 x CPI ₄
(c)	Large projects (≥ 50 and <150 lots or large or medium density developments)	1,879.64	1,879.64 x CPI ₁	1,879.64 x CPI ₂	1,879.64 x CPI ₃	1,879.64 x CPI ₄
(d)	Special projects (roads and rail or SPS adjustments, relocations, development water catchment areas, or subdivisions > 150 lots)	4,492.08	4,492.08 x CPI ₁	4,492.08 x CPI ₂	4,492.08 x CPI ₃	4,492.08 x CPI ₄
19.	Section 307 certificate					

No	Miscellaneous Customer Services	1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027	1 July 2027 to 30 June 2028	1 July 2028 to 30 June 2029	1 July 2029 to 30 June 2030	1 July 2030 to 30 June 2031
(a)	Boundary realign, subdivisions or developments involving mains extensions (above dual occupancy)	396.19	396.19 x CPI ₁	396.19 x CPI ₂	396.19 x CPI ₃	396.19 x CPI ₄
(b)	Single residential development and dual occupancy	193.69	193.69 x CPI ₁	193.69 x CPI ₂	193.69 x CPI ₃	193.69 x CPI ₄
(c)	Commercial buildings (non-residential) etc	281.73	281.73 x CPI ₁	281.73 x CPI ₂	281.73 x CPI ₃	281.73 x CPI ₄
20.	Section 305 application	56.02	56.02 x CPI ₁	56.02 x CPI ₂	56.02 x CPI ₃	56.02 x CPI ₄
21.	Building in proximity to pipelines assessment	176.08	176.08 x CPI ₁	176.08 x CPI ₂	176.08 x CPI ₃	176.08 x CPI ₄

Part 6 Statement of reasons for setting methodologies

19 Legislative framework

- (1) Under section 13A of the IPART Act, IPART may not choose to make a determination that involves setting the methodology for fixing a maximum price, unless IPART is of the opinion that it is impractical to make a determination directly fixing the maximum price.
- (2) If IPART makes a determination that involves setting the methodology for fixing a maximum price, then it must include a statement of reasons as to why it chose to set a methodology.

20 Statement of reasons

20.1 Methodology for Water Supply Services

IPART has set a methodology for fixing the maximum prices for Water Supply Services. This is because the cost of providing Water Supply Services depends on a number of variables such as the volume of water supplied to a Property, the Meter size and metering arrangements. It is impractical for IPART to make a determination directly fixing the maximum price for Water Supply Services.

20.2 Methodology for Wastewater Services

IPART has set a methodology for fixing the maximum price for Wastewater Services. This is because the cost of providing Wastewater Services depends on a number of variables such as the volume of wastewater discharged from a Property into the wastewater system. It is impractical for IPART to make a determination directly fixing the maximum price for Wastewater Services.

20.3 Methodology for Trade Waste Services

IPART has set methodologies for fixing the maximum price for Trade Waste Services. This is because the cost of providing each category of Trade Waste Services depends on a number of variables such as the number of reinspections in each Period, whether or not the trade waste has been pre-treated and the quantities of pollutants in the trade waste. It is impractical for IPART to make a determination directly fixing the maximum price for Trade Waste Services.

Part 7 Definitions and interpretation

21 Interpretation

21.1 General provisions

In this determination:

- (1) headings are for convenience only and do not affect the interpretation of this determination;
- (2) a reference to a part, clause, table or box is a reference to a part of, clause of, table in or box in this determination unless otherwise indicated;
- (3) a construction that would promote a purpose or object expressly or impliedly underlying the IPART Act is to be preferred to a construction that would not promote that purpose or object;
- (4) a reference to a law or statute includes regulations, rules, codes and other instruments (including licences) under it and consolidations, amendments, re-enactments or replacements of them or of the law or statute itself;
- (5) a reference to a month is to a calendar month;
- (6) a reference to a person includes a reference to the person's executors, administrators, successors, substitutes (including, but not limited to, persons taking by novation), replacements and assigns;
- (7) a reference to a body, whether statutory or not:
 - (a) which ceases to exist; or
 - (b) whose powers or functions are transferred to another body;is a reference to the body that replaces it or that substantially succeeds to its powers or functions, and
- (8) a reference to a business name which is replaced by a different business name is taken to be a reference to the replacement business name.

21.2 Explanatory notes

Explanatory notes and examples do not form part of this determination, but in the case of uncertainty may be relied on for interpretation purposes.

22 Consumer Price Index

- (1) CPI means:
 - (a) the consumer price index All Groups index number for the weighted average of eight capital cities, published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics; or

- (b) if the Australian Bureau of Statistics does not or ceases to publish the index, then CPI will mean an index determined by IPART.

(2) The CPI Multipliers are calculated using the applicable formula in Box 7.1.

Box 7.1 Calculation of CPI Multipliers

$$CPI_1 = \frac{CPI_{March2027}}{CPI_{March2026}}$$

$$CPI_2 = \frac{CPI_{March2028}}{CPI_{March2026}}$$

$$CPI_3 = \frac{CPI_{March2029}}{CPI_{March2026}}$$

$$CPI_4 = \frac{CPI_{March2030}}{CPI_{March2026}}$$

Where:

$CPI_{March2026}$ means CPI for the March quarter of 2026;

$CPI_{March2027}$ means CPI for the March quarter of 2027;

$CPI_{March2028}$ means CPI for the March quarter of 2028;

$CPI_{March2029}$ means CPI for the March quarter of 2029; and

$CPI_{March2030}$ means CPI for the March quarter of 2030.

23 Prices exclusive of GST

- (1) Maximum prices specified in this determination exclude GST.
- (2) For the avoidance of doubt, where GST is lawfully applied to maximum prices under this determination, the resulting GST inclusive price is consistent with this determination.

24 Rounding Rule

- (1) Any maximum price calculated in accordance with this determination is to be rounded to the nearest whole cent.
- (2) For the purposes of rounding a maximum price under clause 24(1), any amount that is a multiple of 0.5 cents (but not a multiple of 1 cent), is to be rounded up to the nearest whole cent.
- (3) The CPI Multipliers calculated under clause 22(2) are to be rounded to three decimal places before adjusting a maximum price for inflation.

- (4) For the purposes of rounding the CPI Multipliers under clause 24(3), any amount that is a multiple of 0.0005 (but not a multiple of 0.001) is to be rounded up to three decimal places.

25 Definitions

In this determination:

2022 Determination means IPART's determination dated May 2022 and titled 'Maximum prices for water, wastewater and other services supplied by Central Coast Council from 1 July 2022', published in New South Wales, *Gazette*, No 268, 24 June 2022, 1139.

Boarding House has the meaning given to that term under section 516 of the Local Government Act.

Boarding House Unit means a unit located in a Boarding House.

Category 1 Trade Waste Discharge Services means services provided in respect of the discharge of trade waste into the wastewater system that is deemed by Central Coast Council as requiring nil or minimal pre-treatment equipment and whose effluent is well-characterised or is of a relatively low risk to the wastewater system.

Category 2 Trade Waste Discharge Services means services provided in respect of the discharge of trade waste into the wastewater system that is deemed by Central Coast Council as requiring a prescribed type of liquid trade waste pre-treatment equipment and whose effluent is well characterised.

Category 3 Trade Waste Discharge Services means services provided in respect of the discharge of trade waste into the wastewater system that is deemed by Central Coast Council as being of an industrial nature or which results in a discharge volume greater than 20 kilolitres of liquid trade waste per day.

Category S Trade Waste Discharge Services means services provided in respect of the discharge of the following categories of waste into the wastewater system:

- (a) Pan Waste;
- (b) Septic Tank Waste;
- (c) Ship-to-Shore Pump-Out; and
- (d) waste from non-residential private pump stations.

Central Coast Council means the Council by that name under the Local Government Act.

Commencement Date means the commencement date defined in clause 3(1) of this determination.

Common Meter means a Meter which services a Multi-Premises, where the Meter measures the water supplied to the Multi-Premises but not to each relevant Property located on or within that Multi-Premises.

Community Development Lot has the meaning given to that term under the *Community Land Development Act 2021* (NSW).

Company Title Building means a building owned by a company where the issued shares of the company entitle the legal owner to exclusive occupation of a specified Company Title Dwelling within that building.

Company Title Dwelling means a dwelling within a Company Title Building.

Council has the meaning given to that term under the Local Government Act.

CPI Multiplier has the meaning given to it in clause 22(2).

Exempt Land means land to which section 555 of the Local Government Act applies.

Existing WIC Act Licensee means the Registered Operator for an Existing WIC Act Scheme.

Existing WIC Act Scheme means the Scheme at Catherine Hill Bay, Lake Macquarie, covered by Scheme Approval no. 25_030SA.

Individual Meter means a Meter that services a Property, where the Meter only measures the water supplied to that Property.

IPART means the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal established under the IPART Act.

IPART Act means the *Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal Act 1992* (NSW).

Local Government Act means the *Local Government Act 1993* (NSW).

Local Government Regulation means the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021* (NSW).

Meter means an apparatus for the measurement of water usage but excludes an apparatus used to check the accuracy of a meter.

Miscellaneous Customer Services means the ancillary and miscellaneous customer services referred to in clause 3(f) of the Order.

Mixed Multi-Premises means a Multi-Premises that contains at least one Residential Property and at least one Non-Residential Property.

Monopoly Services means the services referred to in clause 1(1) of this determination.

Multi-Premises means a premises where there is more than one Property.

Negotiated Services Agreement means a written agreement between Central Coast Council and an Existing WIC Act Licensee, a copy of which is provided to IPART by Central Coast Council, under which Central Coast Council agrees to provide Water Supply Services and/or Wastewater Services to that Existing WIC Act Licensee at prices that are not the maximum prices set out in this determination.

New WIC Act Scheme means any Scheme, other than an Existing WIC Act Scheme, that is connected to Central Coast Council's water supply system or wastewater system.

Non-Residential Property means a Property that is not a Residential Property.

Order means the *Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (Water, Sewerage and Drainage Services) Order 1997* published in New South Wales, Gazette, No 18, 14 February 1997, 558.

Pan Waste means any waste contained in a 'pan' as that term is defined in the Local Government Regulation.

Period means, as the case may be:

- (a) 1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027;
- (b) 1 July 2027 to 30 June 2028;
- (c) 1 July 2028 to 30 June 2029;
- (d) 1 July 2029 to 30 June 2030;
- (e) 1 July 2030 to 30 June 2031.

Previous Metered Period means the most recent period of approximately 365 days for which there is actual metering data for the relevant Property.

Property includes:

- (a) a Strata Title Lot;
- (b) a Company Title Dwelling;
- (c) a Community Development Lot;
- (d) a Retirement Village;
- (e) a Boarding House;
- (f) a building, or part of a building, occupied or available for occupation as a separate place of domicile or separate place of business, other than a building to which paragraphs (a) to (d) apply; or
- (g) land (including Vacant Land); but

excludes a Retirement Village Unit and Boarding House Unit.

Note: The intention of this determination is that maximum prices for Monopoly Services supplied to a Retirement Village or a Boarding House apply at the Retirement Village level or Boarding House level, rather than at the individual Retirement Village Unit level or Boarding House level.

Rateable Land has the meaning given to that term under the Local Government Act.

Registered Operator has the meaning given to that term under the WIC Act.

Residential Property means a Property where:

- (a) in the case of the Property being Rateable Land, the Property is categorised as:
 - (i) 'residential' under section 516 of the Local Government Act; or
 - (ii) 'farmland' under section 515 of the Local Government Act; or
- (b) in the case of the Property not being Rateable Land, the dominant use of the Property is:
 - (i) residential, applying the classifications in section 516 of the Local Government Act; or
 - (ii) farmland, applying the classifications in section 515 of the Local Government Act; butexcludes Retirement Villages and Boarding Houses.

Retirement Village has the meaning given to that term under the *Retirement Villages Act 1999* (NSW).

Retirement Village Unit means a unit located in a Retirement Village.

Scheme Approval has the same meaning given to that term under the WIC Act.

Scheme has the meaning given to that term under the WIC Act.

Septic Tank Waste means any waste contained in a 'septic tank' as that term is defined in the Local Government Regulation.

Ship-to-Shore Pump-Out means liquid waste from a vessel including on-board toilet wastes, galley wastes and dry dock cleaning waste from maintenance activities but excluding bilge water.

Strata Title Lot means a 'lot' as defined under the *Strata Schemes Development Act 2015* (NSW), but excludes a 'utility lot' as defined under that Act.

Trade Waste Discharge Factor means the percentage of water supplied to a Property under clause 8.2 that Central Coast Council reasonably estimates is discharged into the wastewater system as trade waste.

Trade Waste Policy means Central Coast Council's *Liquid Trade Waste Policy* (Policy No: CCC041) as amended or replaced from time to time by Central Coast Council.

Trade Waste Services means the trade waste services referred to in clause 3(d) of the Order.

Unconnected Property means:

- (a) in the context of Part 2, a Property that is not connected, but is reasonably available for connection, to Central Coast Council's water supply system; and
- (b) in the context of Part 3, a Property that is not connected, but is reasonably available for connection, to Central Coast Council's wastewater system.

Unmetered Property means a Property that is connected to the water supply system or wastewater system and is not serviced by a Meter.

Vacant Land means an Unconnected Property with no capital improvements.

Wastewater Discharge Factor means:

- (a) in the case of a Property deemed to have a 20mm Meter under clause 10.2 or an Unmetered Property—75%; and
- (b) in any other case—the percentage of water supplied to a Property that Central Coast Council reasonably estimates is discharged into the wastewater system.

Wastewater Meter means an apparatus for measuring the volume discharged from a Property into the wastewater system but excludes an apparatus used to check the accuracy of a wastewater meter.

Wastewater Services means the sewerage services referred to in clause 3(b) of the Order.

WIC Act means the *Water Industry Competition Act 2006* (NSW).

Water Supply Services means the water supply services referred to in clause 3(a) of the Order.