

## **United States Department of Agriculture**

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SUBJECT: Interest Rate Changes for Water and Waste Disposal Loans

Language in the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act requires that the poverty rate and the intermediate rate be determined based on the approval date of the loan. For those loans approved on or after May 23, 2008, the poverty rate will be set at 60 percent of the market rate and the intermediate rate set at 80 percent of the market rate, adjusted to the nearest one-eighth of one percent. Following are the new interest rates for water and waste disposal loans approved on or after May 23, 2008:

Poverty Line	.decreased	to	.2.125%
Intermediate	decreased	to	.2.750%
Market	decreased	to	.3.500%

For loans approved but not closed on or before May 22, 2008, the poverty rate will remain fixed at 4.500 percent and the intermediate rate will continue to be set at one-half of the difference between the poverty line rate and the market rate. Following are the new interest rates for water and waste disposal loans approved on or before May 22, 2008:

Poverty Lir	ne unchanged at	4.500%
Intermedia	tedecreased to	4.000%
Market	decreased to	3.500%

Due to the inversion of the rates, all loans may be obligated at the lower market rate for this quarter. These rates will be effective from July 1, 2019, through September 30, 2019.

EXPIRATION DATE: September 30, 2019

FILING INSTRUCTIONS: Administrative/Other Programs

Also, the rate for watershed protection and flood prevention loans and resource conservation and development loans is as follows:

CURRENT RATE	NEW RATE		
4.250%	3.500%		
Please notify appropriate per	sonnel of these rates.		
Sent by Electronic Mail on Directors/Acting State Directo		by Policy and Analysis Staff. sersonnel as appropriate.	State

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