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## **Lot Merger Policy**

Harbor View Mutual Water Company ("HVMWC") has adopted the following policy in regards to voluntary merging of two or more parcels. This policy applies to lot mergers that have been completed after July 1, 2013.

Merging of parcels is coordinated by the County of Lake ("County"). Property owners are responsible for completing all documents, submitting and paying all fees required by the County. HVMWC is not responsible for any fees or other costs associated with voluntary lot mergers. (For more information regarding Voluntary Mergers, please contact the County of Lake Community Development Department.)

Property owners are responsible for paying all water current stand-by fees, water use bills, and any other fees required by HVMWC during the merger process. Fees and water use bills that are not paid by the due date will be considered delinquent and late penalties will be assessed.

A merger will be considered complete by HVMWC when the County Planning Department records the Notice of Merger with the County Recorder. The effective date of the merger will be considered to be the date when the Notice is recorded. It is the responsibility of the property owner to provide HVMWC with a copy of the recorded Notice of Merger within 60 days of the recording.

When a merger is completed between July 1 and June 30 (HVMWC fiscal year), the property owner will be charged a prorated annual water stand-by fee from July 1 until the date of the completed merger, based on a daily rate (the annual standby fee divided by 365 days). For example: If the merger is completed on July 20, the property owner will be charged for 19 days. The remaining water stand-by fee will be refunded to the property owner. Late fees are not refundable.

To receive a prorated refund, the property owner must make a written refund request to HVMWC (e-mail is acceptable) within 60 days of the completion of the merger.

In order to receive a prorated refund for an annual water standby fee, the property owner's account(s) must be in good standing. If an account is not in good standing, any entitled refund will be applied to the delinquent account(s).

Exceptions to the above policy may be granted by a greater than two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors.

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