

**SEVIER RIVER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM  
ASSESSMENT CALCULATIONS  
1997**

There are two classes of assessments on the Sevier River.

Class I assessments include all rights from the Sevier River channel and those tributaries that require extensive regulation. The assessments are based on the number of acre feet of water diverted by the water users during the previous year. There is a 6 to 7 ratio for Class I water users, i.e. 6 for users above Piute Reservoir and 7 for all other users. The amount of water reported used by each water user is multiplied by either 6 or 7. The total of the Class I units is used in proportion with the units for each water user to determine the amount of each Class I assessment.

Class II assessments include those rights tributary to the Sevier River which do not require regular visits by the commissioners. These assessments are based on water rights. This class is divided into five subclasses and weighted according to needed regulation.

The total assessment for the Sevier River Distribution System is set by the distribution system committee at its annual meeting with the state engineer and then ratified by the water users at their meeting.

The total system assessment is split so that 90% is paid by the Class I assessments and 10% by the Class II assessments

A minimum assessment of \$5 has been set by the committee. If a calculated assessment is under \$5, it is raised to the \$5 minimum. There are very few minimum assessments on the Sevier River (approximately 10).

The 1997 assessment calculations were completed as follows:

Class II Assessment (10%)	\$ 13,000
Class I Assessment (90%)	<u>\$117,000</u>
Total System Assessment	\$130,000

	Total weighted units (1)	Assessment per weighted unit (2)
Class I	3,438,797.12	\$0.034023525
Class II	2,535.12	\$5.127962384

The assessment for each account can be determined by multiplying the assessment units for that account by the appropriate factor (column 2 above) for class I and class II rights.