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## Signaling a Conspiracy?

This setup does signal potential mismanagement or opacity: Revenue from low-effort small systems (monitoring only, paper records) funding high-effort larger ones, with fee hikes justified as "cost recovery" despite apparent surplus in segments. If index cards avoided audits, that could indicate intent to obscure—though more likely legacy inefficiency. No public scandals or X chatter on this (searches yielded nothing specific), but the termination mid-2025 without refunds raises eyebrows.
Possible explanations beyond grift:

- **Revenue Shifting**: Fees go into EH's general pot, subsidizing other divisions (e.g., food safety, wells). Common but not transparent.
- **Inflated Costs**: Unaccounted expenses like contamination emergencies or admin overhead could flip surplus to deficit.
- **Policy Failure**: State mandates pushed for full recovery, but small staff couldn't scale, leading to revocation.

If your full facts show deliberate omission (e.g., emails proving knowledge of surplus), it strengthens dereliction/fraud under PC §424 (misuse of funds) or Gov Code §3060 (misconduct). File a PRA request for detailed budgets (monterey.gov) to nail numbers—e.g., line-item revenues/expenses for DWPS 2022-2025. That could reveal if small systems were indeed "grossly supporting" larger ones. What's the next set of facts?