



SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

# NON-AGENDA

## February 19, 2021

**Board Policy EL-7 Communication and Support to the Board**  
*The BAOs shall inform and support the Board in its work.*

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# **CEO BULLETIN**



**To: Board of Directors**  
**From: Rick L. Callender, CEO**

## Weeks of February 5 – February 18, 2021

**Board Executive Limitation Policy EL-7:**

*The Board Appointed Officers shall inform and support the Board in its work. Further, a BAO shall 1) inform the Board of relevant trends, anticipated adverse media coverage, or material external and internal changes, particularly changes in the assumptions upon which any Board policy has previously been established and 2) report in a timely manner an actual or anticipated noncompliance with any policy of the Board.*

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### 1. Countywide Water Reuse Master Plan – Stakeholder Participation

On January 19, 2021, Valley Water virtually hosted the eighth meeting of the Project Partners Group (PPG) for the Countywide Water Reuse Master Plan (CoRe Plan) with representatives from our PPG members, Valley Water, and other interested stakeholders. The PPG includes:

- Cities of Palo Alto and Mountain View (PA/MV Recycled Water System);
- Cities of San José and Santa Clara (South Bay Water Recycling);
- Cities of Gilroy and Morgan Hill (South County Recycled Water System); and
- City of Sunnyvale (Sunnyvale Recycled Water System).

Technical staff support was provided by Brown and Caldwell, Valley Water's engineering services consultant for the CoRe Plan project. The meeting was well attended by over 30 participants, representing broad participation by Project Partners.

Highlights of the meeting included:

- Review of PPG comments and recommendations on the Draft Final CoRe Plan, including discussion of key updates and modifications to the Final CoRe Plan;
- Review and discussion of flexible implementation strategies for a 10 million gallons per day indirect potable reuse project to the Los Gatos Recharge System via a Public-Private Partnership (P3) procurement;
- Review and discussion of next steps to finalize the CoRe Plan; presentation of findings and recommendations to the Board and Public; and implementation opportunities and collaboration; and
- Completion of the PPG participatory process, celebration of agency participation, and expression of appreciation for contributions to the master planning process.

PPG representatives commended Valley Water for a successful stakeholder effort to develop a comprehensive feasibility assessment of potable reuse opportunities that promotes expanded water recycling efforts countywide over the next 25 years. PPG members also expressed their optimism with the refinement of total project cost estimates and future water rates to implement potable reuse expansion.

For further information, please contact Kirsten Struve at (408) 630-3138.

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## **2. Protecting Valley Water Employees from Hearing Loss**

On February 1st, 3rd and 4th, 2021, Valley Water held on-site audiograms (hearing exams) for field operations staff identified as working in areas where equipment is used that meets or exceeds regulatory threshold noise levels. The exams were administered by Health Metrics, Incorporated. Due to the current COVID-19 pandemic, safety protocol precautions were integrated into the event.

Valley Water field operations staff need hearing protection during work activities such as vegetation removal that requires the use of chainsaws, pole saws, mowers, weed eaters, and wood chippers. Other work activities include certain work at construction or maintenance sites where heavy equipment, large pumps, circular saws, and jack hammers are utilized.

Audiograms are scheduled annually and are a critical component of Valley Water's Hearing Conservation Program. Per applicable Cal/OSHA regulations, employers are required to have a Hearing Conservation Program when employees are exposed to noise levels of 85 dBA (A-weighted decibels, are an expression of the relative loudness of sounds in air as perceived by the human ear over an 8-hour workday), or higher. The audiogram results provide verification that current safety practices and personal protective equipment being used are adequate in protecting staff from suffering hearing loss when performing the identified work activities. Annual audiograms are designed for early detection of hearing loss in staff. If degradation in hearing is discovered, staff are required to undergo a process of being fitted (or re-fitted) with hearing protectors and re-trained on the proper use of hearing protection devices, and when the hearing protection devices are required to be used.

In addition to providing audiograms, Valley Water periodically assesses noise levels at worksites using sound level meters and noise dosimeters. These instruments help identify any areas, or activities, with high noise levels and aid in the decision-making process for providing the appropriate type of engineering controls and hearing protection.

For further information, please contact Tina Yoke at (408) 630-2385.

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### **3. Safe, Clean Water Mini-Grant Closeout: Stanford Conservation Program's Native Hedgerow Planting Project**

In Fiscal Year 2018, Valley Water awarded Stanford Conservation Program a \$5,000 Safe, Clean Water Program D3 Mini-Grant for their Native Hedgerow Planting Project (Project). Stanford Conservation Program completed the Project in May 2020 and submitted their final invoice and closeout materials in September 2020.

The Project used hedgerows to help restore the Deer Creek Conservation Easement, a riparian ecosystem south of the Deer Creek and Matadero Creek confluence in the city of Palo Alto, that has been degraded due to heavy agricultural use. Hedgerows are comprised entirely of native shrub species and can provide nectar sources to pollinators, habitat for native birds and other species, control erosion, as well as shade out non-native weeds. Hedgerows have historically been used to delineate property boundaries in agricultural settings and can be used as an alternative to fencing to signal land use boundaries.

Magic, an ecological educational foundation, with support and direction from the Stanford Conservation Program, worked with community volunteers to plant and maintain 382 native shrubs in a hedgerow. Volunteer work days involved watering and weeding shrubs as well as removing protective Tubex, tree shelters that protect and enhance the growth of young plants.

The Deer Creek Conservation Easement is part of the Matadero Creek watershed and supports hundreds of native species and plants, including the federally and state threatened California red-legged frog. Volunteer work days were focused on environmental education, teaching community members about the flora and fauna of the region, and how planting a hedgerow of native plants will help to restore riparian ecosystems.

Key Outcomes:

- Over 450 volunteers participated in planting and maintaining the native hedgerows.
- Approximately 382 native shrubs in a hedgerow were established and nurtured.

For further information, please contact Marta Lugo at (408) 630-2237.

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### **4. Safe, Clean Water Grant Closeout: City of San Jose's Pollution Prevention and Creeks Cleanup Project**

In Fiscal Year 2018, Valley Water awarded the City of San Jose (City) a \$195,000 Safe, Clean Water Program B3 Grant for their Pollution Prevention and Creeks Cleanup Project (Project). The City completed the Project in June 2020. The Project required an amendment to pay the last remaining invoice in November 2020.

The Project engaged the homeless community to assist with creek cleanups as part of the City's Encampment Abatement Program (EAP). The City subcontracted with Downtown Streets Team (DST) to carry out the objectives, tasks, and deliverables of the Project. DST serves homeless persons and persons at risk of homelessness with case management, employment development services, and housing placement assistance to increase their self-sufficiency.

Participants supported this Project by serving in work crews providing debris removal and trash/illegal dumping collection. The removal of such debris and outreach on trash removal helps improve water quality in creeks and increase flood protection.

### Key Outcomes:

- Posted 12 social media posts about Project activities.
- Presented to four community organizations.
- Educated 425 members of the public about pollution prevention.
- Attended eight community events with approximately 770 attendees.
- Collected 13,868 yards of trash throughout Coyote, Guadalupe, and Los Gatos creeks.

For further information, please contact Marta Lugo at (408) 630-2237.

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### **5. Valley Water Information Technology Division Releases Microsoft Planner and Asana**

Valley Water's Information Technology Division is pleased to announce the release of two new tools that can help with managing tasks and perform light project management.

Microsoft Planner is available through Valley Water's Office 365 subscription and enables users and teams to create plans, assemble and assign tasks, share files, communicate and collaborate with other users, and receive progress updates. This tool is geared toward basic task management for one person to use.

Asana is a web and mobile application designed for light project management and small teams. It helps groups organize, track, and manage their work. This tool offers more robust features including gantt chart views, dependencies, and reporting.

These two new tools can help individuals and teams stay organized, prioritize work, and provide greater collaboration across business units and the organization.

For further information, please contact Mike Cook at (805) 674-1884.

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### **6. Water Management Agreements Executed in January 2021**

Pursuant to EL-5.1.6 and EL-5.3.3, Valley Water's Chief Executive Officer is required to inform the Board on a timely basis when imported water management agreements are executed. The imported water management agreements executed in January 2021 related to the Central Valley Project (CVP) are listed below:

- January 26, 2021 - Yuba Temporary Warren Act Contract (#A4420W) between the Bureau of Reclamation and Valley Water: Provides for the storage and conveyance of non-CVP water from the Yuba County Water Agency to Valley Water through CVP facilities.
- January 26, 2021 - Yuba Power Letter of Agreement (#A4421W) between the Bureau of Reclamation and Valley Water: Provides a billing mechanism for Valley Water to reimburse Reclamation for energy costs incurred in the conveyance of non-CVP water from the Yuba County Water Agency to Valley Water through CVP facilities.

For further information, please contact Vincent Gin at (408) 630-2633

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7. LeZotte

Director LeZotte requested that, staff provide a five-year report on who received sponsorship money and how much money was paid for each sponsorship.

R-21-0001

A listing of all Valley Water sponsorships over the last five years, in fulfillment of BMR- R-21-0001, is included in the Valley Water Board's February 19, 2021, Non-Agenda package.

For further information, please contact Don Rocha at (408) 630-2338.

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# **BOARD MEMBER REQUESTS and Informational Items**





# MEMORANDUM

FC 14 (02-08-19)

**TO:** Rachael Gibson, Chief of External Affairs      **FROM:** Don Rocha, Deputy  
Administrative Officer of  
Government Relations

**SUBJECT:** BMR R-21-0001 - List of Sponsorship FY16-  
FY20      **DATE:** February 12, 2021

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Please find attached to this memo a listing of all Valley Water sponsorships over the last five years, in fulfillment per Director LeZotte's request through BMR R-21-0001.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Don Rocha".

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Don Rocha  
Deputy Administrative Officer  
Office of Government Relations

Attachment: Sponsorship List FY16-FY20

Acterra Actions for a Healthy Planet: 2016 Business Environmental Awards	\$1,500.00
Acterra Actions for a Healthy Planet: Lecture by Paul and Anne Ehrlich	\$1,000.00
American Association of University Women: Wildflower Run	\$1,000.00
American Red Cross Silicon Valley: Silicon Valley Innovation Celebration	\$2,500.00
American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), San Jose Branch: Annual Student Scholarship Event	\$1,000.00
Asian Americans for Community Involvement (AACI): 2016 Better Together Gala	\$2,500.00
Bay Nature Institute: Nature's Local Hero Award Dinner/ This is Your Land: Celebrating 15 Years of Bay Nature & the Centennial of the National Parks Service	\$650.00
Billy DeFrank Silicon Valley LGBT Community Center: 8th Annual LGBT Movie Benefit	\$1,000.00
CA-Hawaii NAACP: 28th NAACP State Conference Convention	\$2,250.00
Center for Climate Protection: The Business of Local Energy Symposium	\$1,000.00
Center for Training and Careers, Inc.: American Indian Heritage Celebration	\$2,500.00
City of San Jose (District 8): Day in the Park Festival	\$500.00
Committee for Green Foothills - Nature's Inspiration Committee for Green Foothills Annual Benefit	\$1,000.00
Community Alliance with Family Farmers: Taste of Santa Clara Valley	\$1,000.00
County of Santa Clara (District 3): Day on the Bay	\$1,000.00
Equality California: Equality California Silicon Valley Pride Month Reception	\$2,000.00
Happy Hollow Foundation: Hoot & Howl	\$1,400.00
Hispanic Foundation of Silicon Valley: 2015 Hispanic Foundation Ball	\$2,500.00
Jose Valdes Math Institute: 3rd Annual Alumni Association Dinner	\$500.00
MESA Engineering Program - San Jose State University MEP: MEP Annual Awards Ceremony	\$1,000.00
MESA Engineering Program: 2015 Science Extravaganza	\$2,000.00
MESA Engineering Program: Conference for Engineering Diversity (CED)	\$500.00
Milpitas Chamber of Commerce International BBQ and Festival	\$250.00
National League of Cities - Hispanic Elected Local Officials: NLC Hispanic Elected Local Officials Leadership Summit	\$2,500.00
North Bay Watershed Association: Water Resources Management in the 21st Century: Innovation, Integration, Adaptation	\$1,500.00
Rotary Club of Cupertino (through the Cupertino Rotary Endowment Foundation): 2015 Fall Festival	\$2,500.00
Sacramento River Watershed Program: CA Water Policy Conference 25: Silver Anniversary, No Silver Bullet	\$2,500.00
San Jose Conservation Corps & Charter School: 2016 Spring Celebration Luncheon	\$1,000.00
San Jose State University - College of Engineering: 2016 SJSU College of Engineering Awards Banquet	\$2,000.00
San Jose State University - Dept of Civil Engineer: Civil Engineering Department Alumni Open House	\$500.00
San Jose/Evergreen Community College District Foundation: Bridge to the Future 2015	\$1,500.00
San Jose Silicon Valley NAACP: 64th Annual Freedom and Friendship Gala	\$2,500.00
SF Francisco Estuary Partnership: State of the Estuary Conference	\$2,500.00
Silicon Valley Leadership Group: Annual Public Policy Luncheon with President Obama's Secretary of Labor Thomas Perez	\$2,500.00
Silicon Valley Leadership Group: Energy & Sustainability Summit	\$10,000.00
Sustainable Silicon Valley: Spring Water Symposium: Resilience and Reuse	\$1,500.00
Sustainable Silicon Valley: Water Technology Symposium Expo for Onsite Reuse	\$1,500.00
The Tech Museum of Innovation: 2016 The Tech Challenge	\$2,500.00
The Unity Care Group: YouthLive!	\$1,500.00
VeggieLution Community Farm : Sponsored Group Workday	\$500.00

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Asian Americans for Community Involvement (AACI) : 2017 Better Together Gala	\$2,500.00
Acterra Actions for a Healthy Planet: Lecture by George P Schultz	\$1,000.00
Acterra Actions for a Healthy Planet: 2017 Business Environmental Awards	\$1,500.00
American Association of University Women: Morgan Hill Wildflower Run	\$1,000.00
Asian Pacific American Leadership Institute (APALI): 19th Community Celebration Dinner	\$2,500.00
American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), San Jose Branch: Annual Student Award Banquet	\$1,000.00
Bay Nature Institute: Bay Nature's 2017 Local Hero Awards	\$750.00
Bay Planning Coalition: 2017 Spring Summit	\$2,500.00
Bay Planning Coalition: 2017 Annual Luncheon	\$1,100.00
Billy DeFrank Silicon Valley LGBT Community Center: Silicon Valley LBGT Movie Benefit	\$1,000.00
Bright Future: Annual Bowl-A-Thon	\$1,800.00
CA-Hawaii NAACP: 29 <sup>th</sup> NAACP State Conference Convention	\$2,250.00
California Native Plant Society: Creating Habitat in Dryland Garden w/ CA Native	\$1,000.00
City of Palo Alto: Great Race for Saving Water/Earth Day	\$500.00
City of San Jose (District 8): Day in the Park Festival	\$500.00
ConXion to Community: American Indian Heritage Celebration	\$2,000.00
Guadalupe River Park Conservancy: Windows in the River Park	\$2,500.00
Happy Hollow Foundation: Hoot and Howl	\$1,400.00
Hispanic Foundation of Silicon Valley: 2017 Hispanic Foundation Ball	\$2,500.00
Imagine H2O: 2016 Water Gala	\$1,500.00
La Raza Roundtable: Spirit Awards Gala	\$2,500.00
Leadership Morgan Hill: Class of 2016 Community Oasis	\$1,000.00
Los Altos Open Space Committee: Meadow, the Original Lawn	\$200.00
MESA Engineering Program: Science Extravaganza	\$2,500.00
National Association of Flood and Stormwater Management Agencies(NAFSMA): Flood/Stormwater Management Conference 2016	\$2,500.00
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Rotary Club of Cupertino (through the Cupertino Rotary Endowment Foundation): Silicon Valley Fall Festival	\$2,500.00
Sacramento River Watershed Program: 2016 CA Water Policy Conference	\$2,500.00
San Jose Conservation Corps & Charter School: 2017 Spring Luncheon	\$2,000.00
San Jose Silicon Valley NAACP: 2017 Friendship Gala	\$2,500.00
San Jose State University-Civil Engineering Department Alumni Open House	\$500.00
San Jose/Evergreen Community College District Foundation: Bridge to the Future	\$1,500.00
Santa Clara County (District 3): Day In the Bay	\$1,000.00
Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition: Bike to Work Day	\$2,500.00
Silicon Valley Leadership Group: 2016 Regional Economic Forum	\$1,000.00
Silicon Valley Leadership Group: 2017 Regional Economic Forum	\$1,000.00
Silicon Valley Leadership Group: Energy & Sustainability Summit	\$10,000.00
Sustainable Silicon Valley: Winter Water Workshop: Collaboration and Connection	\$1,000.00
The Tech Museum of Innovation: 2017 Tech Challenge	\$2,500.00

Trust for Conservation Innovation (Fiscal sponsor of WaterNow Alliance): What does “ Making Conservation of Life” Mean for Decision Makers	\$540.00
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Asian Americans for Community Involvement (AACI) : 2018 Better Together Gala	\$2,500.00
Acterra Actions for a Healthy Planet: 2018 Business Environmental Awards	\$1,500.00
Acterra Actions for a Healthy Planet: Lecture -Kristy Kroeker, Ph.D. - Climate Change Impacts on Oceans	\$1,000.00
Acterra Actions for a Healthy Planet: 2018 Party for the Planet	\$1,500.00
American Assoc. of University Women: 2018 Morgan Hill Wildflower Run	\$1,000.00
American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), San Jose Branch: 2018 Annual Student Award Banquet	\$1,000.00
Asian Pacific American Leadership Institute (APALI): 20th Anniversary Dinner	\$2,500.00
Bay Area Council: 2018 Pacific Summit	\$4,000.00
Bay Nature Institute: Bay Nature’s 2017 Local Hero Awards Dinner	\$1,000.00
Bay Planning Coalition: 2018 Annual Meeting and Luncheon	\$1,250.00
Bay Planning Coalition: 2018 Annual Spring Summit	\$3,000.00
Berryessa Citizen Advisory Council: Park Benches	\$992.00
CA-HI NAACP: 30th State Conference Convention	\$2,500.00
California Native Plant Society: 2018 Seminar	\$1,000.00
Chinese Historical & Cultural Project (CHCP): 2018 Anniversary Gala	\$500.00
City of Morgan Hill: Amgen Tour of California	\$2,500.00
City of Palo Alto: 2018 Great Race for Saving Water and Earth Day	\$500.00
City of San Jose: 7th Annual African American History Month Flag Raising Ceremony	\$500.00
City of San Jose (District 8): Day in the Park	\$500.00
Committee for Green Foothills - Nature's Inspiration Committee for Green Foothills Annual Benefit	\$1,000.00
County of Santa Clara (District 3): Day on the Bay	\$1,000.00
ConXion to Community: American Indian Heritage Celebration	\$2,500.00
Guadalupe-Coyote Resource Conservation District: Rural Roads Field Trip	\$1,400.00
Guadalupe River Park Conservancy: Windows on the River	\$2,500.00
Happy Hollow Foundation: Hoot and Howl	\$1,600.00
Hispanic Foundation of Silicon Valley: 2018 Hispanic Foundation Ball	\$2,500.00
Imagine H2O: 2018 Water Gala	\$2,500.00
International Water Association (IWA): 2018 World Water Conference	\$500.00
Jose Valdes Math Institute: Alumni Dinner	\$500.00
La Raza Roundtable: Fundraiser and Historical Site Tour	\$500.00
MESA San Jose State University: Science Extravaganza	\$1,000.00
MESA San Jose State University: Conference for Engineering Diversity	\$500.00
National Association of Asian American Professionals (NAAAP): ERG Symposium and Leadership Academy	\$1,000.00
National Coalition of 100 Black Women: Silicon Valley Chapter Annual Jazz Brunch	\$1,500.00
North Bay Watershed Association: 2018 NBWA Conference	\$1,000.00
Prusch Farm Park Foundation: Mountain Music Festival	\$750.00

Puerto Rican Civic Club: Levanta Puerto Rico	\$2,500.00
Rotary Club of Cupertino (through the Cupertino Rotary Endowment Foundation): 2018 Silicon Valley Fall Festival	\$2,500.00
Salmonid Restoration Federation: 36th Annual Conference	\$1,000.00
San Jose City Council: Disability Awareness Day	\$500.00
San Jose Conservation Corps & Charter School: 2018 Annual Spring Luncheon	\$2,500.00
San Jose Silicon Valley NAACP: 66th Annual Freedom & Friendship Gala	\$2,500.00
San Jose State University, Department of Design: Unveil 2018	\$300.00
Santa Clara and San Benito Counties Building and Construction Trades Council: Builders BBQ	\$500.00
Santa Clara County Farm Bureau: Farm to Table Dinner	\$1,000.00
SF Estuary Partnership: 2017 State of the Estuary Conference	\$2,500.00
Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition: Bike to Work Day 2018	\$2,500.00
Silicon Valley Leadership Group: 7th Annual Economic Forum	\$1,000.00
Silicon Valley Leadership Group: Energy and Sustainability Summit	\$10,000.00
Silicon Valley Leadership Group: Game Changers Summit	\$2,500.00
Silicon Valley Leadership Group: Fireside Chat with Senator Feinstein	\$2,500.00
Silicon Valley Leadership Group: SVLG Group Hosted Reception	\$2,500.00
Silicon Valley Leadership Group: 40th Anniversary Gala	\$2,500.00
Stanford Graduate School of Business: Water Data Summit	\$1,000.00
The Tech Museum: 2018 Tech Challenge	\$2,500.00
Tuolumne River Trust: Raise Your Paddle (2017 Annual Fall Gala)	\$1,000.00
Water Career Pathways Consortium: 2018 Water Challenge	\$500.00

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50th Anniversary of the Chicano Student Movement	\$2,500.00
Acterra Actions for a Healthy Planet: Business Environmental Awards	\$1,500.00
Acterra Actions for a Healthy Planet: Party for the Planet	\$1,500.00
Association of Environmental Professionals: AEP Conference 2019	\$2,500.00
American Association of University Women: Morgan Hill Wildflower Run	\$1,000.00
American Red Cross: 2018 Heroes Event	\$2,500.00
American Society of Civil Engineers: Student Awards Program	\$1,000.00
Asian American for Community Involvement (ACCI): 2019 Better Together Gala	\$2,500.00
Asian Pacific American Leadership Institute (APALI): 21st Anniversary Benefit Banquet	\$2,500.00
Bay Area Council: Pacific Summit	\$5,000.00
Bay Area Municipal Election Fund (BAYMEC) Community Foundation : An Evening with Wiggys and Pals	\$1,000.00
Bay Nature Institute: Bay Nature's Local Hero Award Gala 2019 - Look Deep into Nature	\$1,000.00
Bay Planning Coalition: 2018 Annual Meeting & Luncheon	\$1,300.00
Bay Planning Coalition: Spring Summit	\$3,000.00
Billy DeFrank Silicon Valley LGBT Community Center: Annual Silicon Valley 10th LGBT Movie Benefit	\$1,000.00
Bright Futures: Annual Bowl-A-Thon	\$1,800.00
California Black Chamber of Commerce Foundation: Sponsor Appreciation Luncheon	\$5,000.00

CA-HI NAACP: 31st State Conference Convention	\$2,250.00
Chavez Family Vision Inc: Cesar E. Chavez Annual Scholarship Breakfast	\$1,500.00
ConXion to Community: American Indian Heritage Celebration	\$3,000.00
City of Palo Alto: Great Race for Saving Water & Earth Day Festival	\$1,000.00
City of San Jose - Beautility – Murals on Water Utility Vaults	\$1,170.00
City of San Jose (District 8): Day in the Park	\$500.00
County of Santa Clara (District 3): Day on the Bay	\$1,000.00
Downtown Streets Team: 2nd Annual Downtown Drop	\$2,000.00
Gay Pride Celebration Committee of San Jose DBA Silicon Valley Pride: Silicon Valley Pride LGBT Parade and Festival	\$1,500.00
Guadalupe River Park Conservancy: Window on the River Park	\$2,500.00
Grassroots Ecology's Grassroots Gathering	\$2,500.00
Greenbelt Alliance: Savor the Greenbelt	\$2,500.00
Green Foothills Foundation (dba Committee for Green Foothills): Nature's Inspiration: Honoring Steven Abbors and Rue Mapp	\$1,000.00
Happy Hollow Foundation: Rendezvous at the Zoo	\$2,500.00
Hispanic Foundation of Silicon Valley: Hispanic Foundation Ball 2018	\$2,500.00
Imagine H2O: Water Innovation Week 2019	\$2,500.00
Korean-American Chamber of Commerce of Silicon Valley: Korea Day	\$1,000.00
Leonardo Dicaprio Foundation: The Water Pavilion	\$1,000.00
Morgan Hill Mushroom Mardi Gras, Inc.: Mushroom Mardi Gras	\$1,750.00
California Walks/Walk San Jose: PedsCount! 2018 Biennial Pedestrian Summit	\$1,000.00
Prusch Farm Park Foundation: Prusch Farm Park Mountain Music Festival	\$750.00
Rotary Club of Cupertino (Cupertino Rotary Endowment Foundation): Silicon Valley Fall Festival	\$2,500.00
Sacramento River Watershed Program: 2019 CA Water Policy Conference	\$2,500.00
Salmonid Restoration Federation: Annual Salmonid 37th Conference Restoration Conference	\$1,000.00
San Jose Conservation Corps & Charter School: 2019 Spring Luncheon	\$2,500.00
San Jose Evergreen Community College District Foundation: SJECCD STEM Fundraiser	\$5,000.00
San Jose State University (Tower Foundation): Civil Engineering Open House	\$500.00
San Jose State University: Science Extravaganza (workshop)	\$1,000.00
San Jose State University, Department of Design- Re( ) 2019	\$400.00
San Jose Spotlight Downtown Fundraiser	\$1,000.00
San Jose Silicon Valley NAACP: 67th Annual Freedom and Friendship Gala	\$2,500.00
Santa Clara County Farm Bureau: Farm to Table Dinner	\$1,000.00
Santa Clara Valley Science and Engineering Fair Association (SCVSEFA): Synopsys Science and Technology Championship	\$1,100.00
Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition: Bike to Work Day 2019	\$2,800.00
Silicon Valley Leadership Group: Annual Policy Luncheon	\$4,200.00
Silicon Valley Leadership Group: Energy and Sustainability Summit	\$12,500.00
Silicon Valley Leadership Group Regional Economic Forum	\$1,000.00
South Valley Science and Engineering Fair (SVSEF): Annual Science Fair	\$1,000.00
State of California-Assembly member Ash Kalra: The Third Annual African American History Month Celebration	\$1,000.00
The Health Trust: Spring into Health	\$2,000.00

The Tech Museum of Innovation - Tech Challenge	\$2,500.00
Valley Medical Center Foundation: Valley Medical Center Foundation Gala & Auction	\$5,000.00
Valley Medical Center Foundation: Women's Leadership Policy Summit	\$4,500.00
WaterReuse Association: 2019 CA Annual Conference	\$5,000.00
WELL UnTapped: 2019 Tour	\$2,500.00
Women's March Bay Area/San Jose: San Jose Women's March	\$500.00

Sponsorships for FY20

Almaden Women's Club: Almaden Valley Art and Wine Festival	\$2000.00
American Association of University Women: Wildflower Run	\$1,000.00
American Society of Civil Engineers- Western Region Younger Member Council Leadership Conference	\$500.00
Asian Americans for Community Involvement (AACI): Better Together 2020	\$2,500.00
Asian Pacific American Leadership Institute (APALI): 23rd Anniversary Gala	\$2,500.00
Association of Bay Area Governments and San Francisco Estuary Partnership-State of the San Francisco Estuary Conference	\$2,500.00
Association of Women in Water, Energy and Environment: Resilience in Adaptation and Innovation Conference	\$3,000.00
Bay Area Council: 2020 Pacific Summit	\$5,000.00
Bay Area Council: 25th Bay Area Business Hall of Fame	\$5,000.00
Bay Nature Institute: Bay Nature Local Hero Awards 2020	\$1,000.00
Bay Planning Coalition: Annual Luncheon	\$1,400.00
Bay Planning Coalition: Welcome Lunch	\$500.00
CA Native Plant Society - Gardening for Biodiversity Symposium	\$1,500.00
California Water Efficiency Partnership (CalWEP): Peer to Peer 2020	\$1,000.00
CA-HI NAACP: 33rd State Conference Convention	\$5,000.00
City of Palo Alto: Great Race for Saving Water & Earth Day Festival	\$1,000.00
City of San Jose (District 1): Disability Awareness Day	\$500.00
City of San Jose (District 8): Day in the Park	\$500.00
City of San Jose: Pathways to Climate Smart Careers Educational Job Fair	\$500.00
ConXion To Community: Celebrating our Ancestors	\$2,000.00
County of Santa Clara (District 3): Day on The Bay	\$1,000.00
Downtown Streets Team: Downtown Drop Down	\$2,000.00
Engineering Research Center for Reinventing the Nation's Urban Water Infrastructure (ReNUWit): Bay Area One Water Network workshops	\$5,000.00
Gay Pride Celebration Committee of San Jose DBA Silicon Valley Pride: LGBTQ Parade and Festival	\$1,500.00
Committee for Green Foothills: Nature's Inspiration – Honoring Joe Cotchett	\$1,000.00
Greenbelt Alliance: Savor the Greenbelt	\$2,500.00
Happy Hollow Park and Zoo Foundation: Rendezvous at the Zoo	\$2,500.00
Hispanic Foundation of Silicon Valley: Hispanic Foundation Ball	\$2,500.00

Imagine H2O: Water Innovation Week	\$2,500.00
Master of Public Administration Student Association (MPASA) at San José State University (Tower Foundation): MPA Graduation 2020	\$250.00
Maven's Notebook: Maven's Notebook Subscription	\$1,000.00
Milpitas Community Educational Endowment: 2nd Annual Mid-Autumn Festival	\$500.00
Morgan Hill Mushroom Mardi Gras, Inc.: Morgan Hill Mushroom Mardi Gras Festival	\$1,750.00
National Association of Flood and Stormwater Management Agencies(NAFSMA): 2020 Virtual Flood and Stormwater Management Conference	\$3,000.00
Rotary Club of Cupertino (Cupertino Rotary Endowment Foundation): Silicon Valley Fall Festival	\$2,500.00
Sacramento River Watershed Program: CA Water Policy Conference	\$2,500.00
Salmonid Restoration Federation: 38th Annual Salmonid Restoration Conference	\$1,000.00
San Jose Conservation Corps and Charter School: Annual Spring Luncheon-2020 Building Dreams	\$2,500.00
San Jose Evergreen Community College District Foundation: San Jose Promise Celebration	\$5,000.00
San Jose Multicultural Artists Guild: Urban Bush Women in Hair and Other Stories	\$500.00
San Jose Silicon Valley NAACP: 68th Annual Freedom and Friendship Gala	\$5,000.00
San Jose State University: Science Extravaganza	\$1,000.00
San Jose Spotlight: Fireside Chat with Senator Scott Wiener	\$2,500.00
Santa Clara and San Benito Counties Building and Construction Trades Council: Builders BBQ	\$500.00
Santa Clara County Farm Bureau: Harvest Dinner	\$1,000.00
Shop with a Cop Foundation of Silicon Valley: 12 <sup>th</sup> Annual Heroes and Helpers	\$1,500.00
Silicon Valley Bike Coalition: Bike to Work Day	\$5,000.00
Silicon Valley Leadership Group: 8 <sup>th</sup> Annual Regional Economic Forum	\$1,100.00
Silicon Valley Leadership Group: Energy and Sustainability Summit	\$12,000.00
Silicon Valley Leadership Group: 2019 Game Changers	\$5,000.00
Smart Yards Education: Earth Day Celebration	\$1,000.00
Society of Women Engineers Santa Clara Valley (SWE SCV): Scholarship Program 2020	\$1,000.00
South Valley Science & Engineering (SVSEF): Annual Science Fair	\$1,000.00
SF Estuary Partnership: State of the Estuary Conference	\$2,500.00
The Tech Museum of Innovation: Tech Challenge Program	\$1,000.00
Transportation Choices for Sustainable Communities: Green Streets Symposium	\$1,500.00
Valley Medical Center Foundation: Annual Gala and Auction	\$500.00
Valley Medical Foundation: 2019 Valley Medical Center's Women's Leadership Policy Summit	\$2,500.00
Veggielution: 2019 San Jose Veggie Fest	\$2,000.00
Water Education for Latino Leaders (WELL): WELL UnTapped	\$12,500.00
Water Education Foundation: Central Coast Tour	\$2,000.00
WaterReuse California Association: 34th Annual WaterReuse Symposium	\$2,500.00
WaterReuse California Association: WaterReuse CA Annual Conference	\$5,000.00





# MEMORANDUM

FC 14 (08-21-19)

**TO:** Board of Directors

**FROM:** Melanie Richardson

**SUBJECT:** Public Scoping Meetings for the Pacheco  
Reservation Expansion Project


**DATE:** 02-12-2021

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The Pacheco Reservoir Expansion Project team has scheduled two virtual public scoping meetings to be held on Wednesday, February 24, from 1-3 p.m. and Thursday, February 25, from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

The purpose of the virtual scoping meetings is to update the public and agencies on progress made on Project planning and environmental review and to solicit additional questions and written comments from the public and agencies.

A copy of the invitation letter and the formal public notice are attached.

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Melanie Richardson  
Assistant Chief Executive Officer

Attachment 1: Invitation letter and public notice



February 8, 2021

Subject: Pacheco Reservoir Expansion Project

Dear Neighbors and Community Leaders,

The Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water) is working to ensure a more reliable water supply for the region through the proposed expansion of Pacheco Reservoir in Southern Santa Clara County. In partnership with the San Benito County Water District and Pacheco Pass Water District, the proposed project would increase the reservoir's capacity from 5,500 acre-feet to up to 140,000 acre-feet, which could hold enough water to supply 1.4 million residents for one year during an emergency.

The project would also provide environmental benefits to the federally threatened South-Central California Coast Steelhead through habitat enhancement in and along Pacheco Creek.

Valley Water issued a Notice of Preparation for an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Pacheco Reservoir Expansion Project (Project) in 2017 and solicited public scoping comments at that time. Since 2017, Valley Water has more fully developed the project and we are now seeking additional comments about the scope and content of the EIR.

Valley Water is inviting you to join us at either of our two virtual public scoping meetings to learn the latest news about the scope and content of the Project EIR that Valley Water is preparing. We're encouraging the public and agencies to provide new comments on the scope and content of the EIR, which can be submitted by mail or email to Valley Water as described below.

The meetings are scheduled for:

Wednesday, Feb. 24, 2021, 1:00–3:00 p.m.	Thursday, Feb. 25, 2021, 5:30–7:30 p.m.
Please click the link below to join the webinar: <a href="https://valleywater.zoom.us/j/91921107970">https://valleywater.zoom.us/j/91921107970</a> Dial-in +1 669 900 9128 Webinar ID: 919 2110 7970	Please click the link below to join the webinar: <a href="https://valleywater.zoom.us/j/98088128557">https://valleywater.zoom.us/j/98088128557</a> Dial-in +1 669 900 9128 Webinar ID: 980 8812 8557

The meetings will include an open house period, detailed presentation, and an opportunity for you to ask questions. Valley Water staff will be present to respond to as many of your questions as possible.

**Written comments regarding the scope and content of the EIR will be accepted through March 12, 2021, at 5:00 p.m.** Written comments can be submitted by email to [PachecoExpansion@valleywater.org](mailto:PachecoExpansion@valleywater.org) or mailed to:

Santa Clara Valley Water District  
Attn: Todd Sexauer  
5750 Almaden Expressway  
San Jose, CA 95118



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Valley Water will stream the meetings on Facebook Live: [www.facebook.com/SCVWD](http://www.facebook.com/SCVWD). Video recordings of the meetings will be posted on the project web page at [www.valleywater.org/pachecoexpansion](http://www.valleywater.org/pachecoexpansion).

The presentation and an accompanying video are posted at [www.valleywater.org/pachecoexpansion](http://www.valleywater.org/pachecoexpansion).

The project page also has informational videos and a variety of documents with more information about the proposed expansion of Pacheco Reservoir.

We hope you will join us.

Sincerely,



Chris Hakes  
Deputy Operating Officer

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## **NOTICE OF VIRTUAL PUBLIC SCOPING MEETINGS AND PROJECT OPEN HOUSE**

**From:** Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water)  
5750 Almaden Expressway  
San Jose, CA 95118

**Subject:** Notice of Virtual Public Scoping Meetings for an Environmental Impact Report (EIR), SCH # 2017082020

**Project Title:** Pacheco Reservoir Expansion Project

### **Background:**

Valley Water published a Notice of Preparation (NOP) for Pacheco Reservoir Expansion Project EIR in 2017 and solicited public comments at that time. Please visit [www.valleywater.org/pachecoexpansion](http://www.valleywater.org/pachecoexpansion) and click on the "Reports & Documents" tab to view this document.

Valley Water is acting as lead agency pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for preparation of the EIR. Responsible agencies under CEQA would also utilize the EIR in support of their discretionary actions, including funding by the California Water Commission and for water rights actions by the State Water Resources Control Board.

### **Purpose of Scoping Meetings:**

The purpose of the virtual scoping meetings is to update the public and agencies on progress made on the project planning and environmental review. In addition, these virtual events will allow for the solicitation of additional questions and written comments from the public and agencies on the scope and content of the EIR, consistent with Pub. Res. Code Section 21083.9(a)(2).

### **Project Description:**

The Project includes expansion of Pacheco Reservoir through the construction and operation of a new dam, pump station, conveyance facilities, State Route 152 access and road improvements, utility improvements/relocations, and related miscellaneous infrastructure. The new dam and expanded reservoir would be constructed on the North Fork of Pacheco Creek, upstream from the existing North Fork Dam. The proposed total storage for the expanded reservoir is up to 140,000 acre-feet. Water would be collected in the new reservoir during the winter months from runoff of the local watershed area and augmented with existing Central Valley Water Project supplies from the Pacheco Conduit.

The Project would provide local, regional, and statewide water supply reliability, water quality, and environmental benefits. These benefits include:

- Improved municipal and industrial water supply reliability, including during drought periods and emergencies such as Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta outages and reduced San Luis Reservoir water quality ("low point") problems;
- Ecosystem improvements in Pacheco Creek for the federally threatened South-Central California Coast steelhead;

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- Improved water quality for the Central Valley Project San Felipe Division; and
- Increased water supplies for the Refuge Water Supply Program to support wetland-dependent wildlife populations.

### **Project Location:**

The project area is primarily located within unincorporated Santa Clara County, approximately 17 miles northeast of Gilroy and 0.4 miles north of State Route 152. However, a new power transmission line/upgrade would extend from the new dam site into Merced County in the vicinity of the San Luis Reservoir. Pacheco Reservoir is situated on the North Fork of Pacheco Creek.

### **Virtual Meetings:**

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Valley Water will hold two Virtual Public Scoping Meetings and Project Open House to allow individuals and agencies to learn more about the project and to comment on the scope and content of the EIR. The meetings will occur at the following dates and times:

- **Wednesday, Feb. 24, 2021, 1:00–3:00 p.m.**  
Please click the link below to join the webinar:  
<https://valleywater.zoom.us/j/91921107970>  
Dial-in +1 669 900 9128  
Webinar ID: 919 2110 7970
- **Thursday, Feb. 25, 2021, 5:30–7:30 p.m.**  
Please click the link below to join the webinar:  
<https://valleywater.zoom.us/j/98088128557>  
Dial-in +1 669 900 9128  
Webinar ID: 980 8812 8557

The project open house portion of these virtual meetings will include an opportunity to participate in a robust discussion, where staff will answer questions and provide more project details. A list of all questions and answers shared during the virtual meetings will be posted on the project webpage at [www.valleywater.org/pachecoexpansion](http://www.valleywater.org/pachecoexpansion). Valley Water will stream the meetings on Facebook Live: [www.facebook.com/SCVWD](https://www.facebook.com/SCVWD). Video recordings of the meetings will be posted on the project web page.

The presentation on the scope and content of the EIR has been posted and is available to be viewed on our project web page at [www.valleywater.org/pachecoexpansion](http://www.valleywater.org/pachecoexpansion).

### **How to Comment on EIR:**

Written comments regarding the scope and content of the EIR will be accepted through March 12, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. They can also be submitted electronically to [PachecoExpansion@valleywater.org](mailto:PachecoExpansion@valleywater.org) or mailed to:

Santa Clara Valley Water District  
Attn: Todd Sexauer  
5750 Almaden Expressway  
San Jose, CA 95118

If you have any questions concerning these upcoming virtual public scoping meetings and project open house, please contact Mark Gomez at (408) 630-2985 or email [mgomez@valleywater.org](mailto:mgomez@valleywater.org).