

December 31, 2019

MEETING NOTICE & REQUEST FOR RSVP**TO: AGRICULTURAL WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE****Jurisdiction**

District 1
District 2
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Santa Clara County Farm Bureau
Loma Prieta Resource Conservation District
Private Well Owner (Non Retail)

Representative

Russ Bonino, Mitchell Mariani
James Provenzano
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Brent Bonino
Jan F. Garrod, Michael Miller
Tim Chiala, Robert Long
Sandra Carrico
Sheryl O. Kennedy
George Fohner
Dhruv Khanna

The regular meeting of the Agricultural Water Advisory Committee is scheduled to be held on **Monday, January 6, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.**, in the Headquarters Building Boardroom located at the Santa Clara Valley Water District, 5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, California. Refreshments will be served.

Enclosed are the meeting agenda and corresponding materials. Please bring this packet with you to the meeting. Additional copies of this meeting packet are available on our new website at <https://www.valleywater.org/how-we-operate/committees/board-advisory-committees>.

A majority of the appointed membership is required to constitute a quorum, which is fifty percent plus one. A quorum for this meeting must be confirmed at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting date or it will be canceled.

Further, a quorum must be present on the day of the scheduled meeting to call the meeting to order and take action on agenda items.

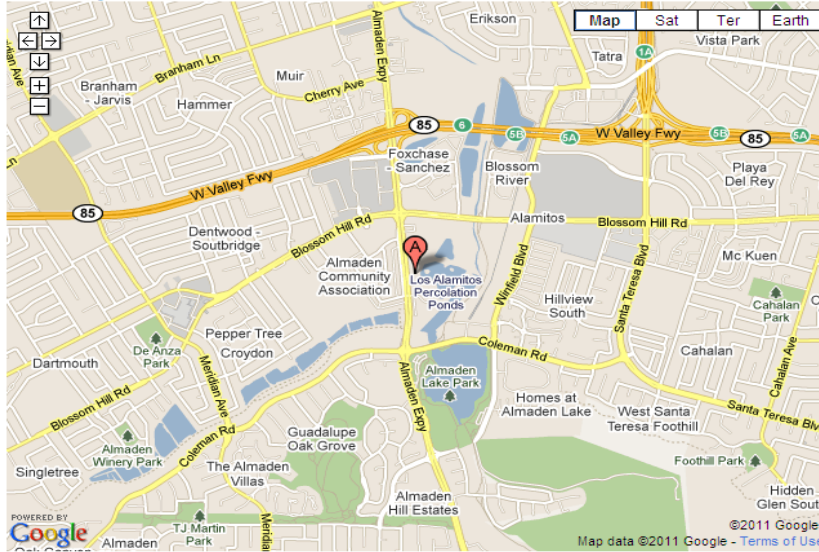
Members with two or more consecutive unexcused absences will be subject to rescinded membership.

Please confirm your attendance no later than **1:00 p.m., Thursday, January 2, 2020**, by contacting Ms. Glenna Brambill at 1-408-630-2408, or gbrambill@valleywater.org.

Enclosures



**Santa Clara Valley Water District - Headquarters Building,
5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, CA 95118**



From Oakland:

- Take 880 South to 85 South
- Take 85 South to Almaden Expressway exit
- Turn left on Almaden Plaza Way
- Turn right (south) on Almaden Expressway
- At Via Monte (third traffic light), make a U-turn
- Proceed north on Almaden Expressway approximately 1,000 feet
- Turn right (east) into the campus entrance

From Morgan Hill/Gilroy:

- Take 101 North to 85 North
- Take 85 North to Almaden Expressway exit
- Turn left on Almaden Expressway
- Cross Blossom Hill Road
- At Via Monte (third traffic light), make a U-turn
- Proceed north on Almaden Expressway approximately 1,000 feet
- Turn right (east) into the campus entrance

From Sunnyvale:

- Take Highway 87 South to 85 North
- Take Highway 85 North to Almaden Expressway exit
- Turn left on Almaden Expressway
- At Via Monte (third traffic light), make a U-turn
- Proceed north on Almaden Expressway approximately 1,000 feet
- Turn right (east) into the campus entrance

From San Francisco:

- Take 280 South to Highway 85 South
- Take Highway 85 South to Almaden Expressway exit
- Turn left on Almaden Plaza Way
- Turn right (south) on Almaden Expressway
- At Via Monte (third traffic light), make a U-turn
- Proceed north on Almaden Expressway approximately 1,000 feet
- Turn right (east) into the campus entrance

From Downtown San Jose:

- Take Highway 87 - Guadalupe Expressway South
- Exit on Santa Teresa Blvd.
- Turn right on Blossom Hill Road
- Turn left at Almaden Expressway
- At Via Monte (first traffic light), make a U-turn
- Proceed north on Almaden Expressway approximately 1,000 feet
- Turn right (east) into the campus entrance

From Walnut Creek, Concord and East Bay areas:

- Take 680 South to 280 North
- Exit Highway 87-Guadalupe Expressway South
- Exit on Santa Teresa Blvd.
- Turn right on Blossom Hill Road
- Turn left at Almaden Expressway
- At Via Monte (third traffic light), make a U-turn
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Santa Clara Valley Water District Agricultural Water Advisory Committee Meeting

**HQ Boardroom
5700 Almaden Expressway
San Jose, CA 95118**

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

**Monday, January 6, 2020
1:30 PM**

District Mission: Provide Silicon Valley safe, clean water for a healthy life, environment and economy.

All public records relating to an item on this agenda, which are not exempt from disclosure pursuant to the California Public Records Act, that are distributed to a majority of the legislative body will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Clerk of the Board at the Santa Clara Valley Water District Headquarters Building, 5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, CA 95118, at the same time that the public records are distributed or made available to the legislative body. Santa Clara Valley Water District will make reasonable efforts to accommodate persons with disabilities wishing to attend Board of Directors' meeting. Please advise the Clerk of the Board Office of any special needs by calling (408) 265-2600.

Note: The finalized Board Agenda, exception items and supplemental items will be posted prior to the meeting in accordance with the Brown Act.

**Santa Clara Valley Water District
Agricultural Water Advisory Committee
REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA**

Monday, January 6, 2020

1:30 PM

HQ Boardroom

1. CALL TO ORDER:

1.1. Roll Call.

2. TIME OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY ITEM NOT ON THE AGENDA.

Notice to the public: This item is reserved for persons desiring to address the Committee on any matter not on this agenda. Members of the public who wish to address the Committee on any item not listed on the agenda should complete a Speaker Form and present it to the Committee Clerk. The Committee Chair will call individuals in turn. Speakers comments should be limited to two minutes or as set by the Chair. The law does not permit Committee action on, or extended discussion of, any item not on the agenda except under special circumstances. If Committee action is requested, the matter may be placed on a future agenda. All comments that require a response will be referred to staff for a reply in writing. The Committee may take action on any item of business appearing on the posted agenda.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

3.1. Approval of Minutes.

[19-0893](#)

Recommendation: Approve the July 1, 2019, Meeting Minutes.

Manager: Michele King, 408-630-2711

Attachments: [Attachment 1: 070119 Ag Wtr DRAFT Mins](#)

Est. Staff Time: 5 Minutes

3.2. Approval of Minutes.

[19-1205](#)

Recommendation: Approve the October 07, 2019, Meeting Minutes.

Manager: Michele King, 408-630-2711

Attachments: [Attachment 1: 100719 Ag Wtr DRAFT Mins](#)

Est. Staff Time: 5 Minutes

3.3. Approval of Minutes. [20-0017](#)

Recommendation: Approve the December 16, 2019, Special Meeting Minutes.

Manager: Michele King, 408-630-2711

Attachments: [Attachment 1: 121619 Ag Wtr DRAFT Mins](#)

Est. Staff Time: 5 Minutes

4. ACTION ITEMS:

4.1. Election of Chair and Vice Chair. [19-1206](#)

Recommendation: Elect 2020 Chair and Vice Chair

Manager: Michele King, 408-630-2711

Est. Staff Time: 5 Minutes

5. ACTION ITEMS:

5.1. Review and Approve 2019 Annual Accomplishments Report for Presentation to the Board (Committee Chair) [19-1207](#)

Recommendation: A. Approve the 2019 Accomplishments Report for presentation to the Board; and
 B. Provide comments to the Committee Chair to share with the Board as part of the Accomplishments Report presentation pertaining to the purpose, structure, and function of the Committee.

Manager: Michele King, 408-630-2711

Attachments: [Attachment 1: 2019 Ag Water Accomplishments Report](#)

Est. Staff Time: 5 Minutes

5.2. Retain Open Space Credit Discussion Update [19-1208](#)

Recommendation: Discussion on updated information on Open Space Credit and provide comment to the Board as necessary.

Manager: Michele King, 408-630-2711

Est. Staff Time: 20 Minutes

- 5.3. Opportunities to Enhance and Update the Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program by Evaluating a Future Funding Measure. [19-1209](#)

Recommendation: A. Receive information on opportunities to strengthen and update the existing Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program;
B. Receive information on the feasibility of developing and placing a future funding measure on the November 2020 ballot; and
C. Provide input on new program development, including a community opinion survey tool.

Manager: Marta Lugo, 408-630-2237

Est. Staff Time: 20 Minutes

- 5.4. Review Agricultural Water Advisory Committee Work Plan, the Outcomes of Board Action of Committee Requests; and the Committee's Next Meeting Agenda. [19-1210](#)

Recommendation: Review the Committee work plan to guide the committee's discussions regarding policy alternatives and implications for Board deliberation.

Manager: Michele King, 408-630-2711

Attachments: [Attachment 1: 2020 Ag Water Work Plan](#)
[Attachment 2: 040620 Ag Wtr Draft Agenda](#)

Est. Staff Time: 5 Minutes

6. INFORMATION ITEMS:

- 6.1. Standing Items Report. [19-1211](#)

Recommendation: **Standing Items Reports**
This item allows the Agricultural Water Advisory Committee to receive verbal or written updates and discuss the Board's Fiscal Year 2020 Work Plan Strategies. These items are generally informational; however, the Committee may request additional information and/or provide collective input to the assigned Board Committee.

Manager: Michele King, 408-630-2711

Est. Staff Time: 5 Minutes

7. CLERK REVIEW AND CLARIFICATION OF COMMITTEE REQUESTS.

This is an opportunity for the Clerk to review and obtain clarification on any formally moved, seconded, and approved requests and recommendations made by the Committee during the meeting.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- 8.1. Director's Report

- 8.2. Manager's Report
- 8.3. Committee Member Report
- 8.4. Informational Link Reports

9. ADJOURN:

- 9.1. Adjourn to Regular Meeting at 1:30 p.m., on April 6, 2020, in the Santa Clara Valley Water District HQ Boardroom, 5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, California.



Santa Clara Valley Water District

File No.: 19-0893

Agenda Date: 10/7/2019
Item No.: 3.1.

COMMITTEE AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Agricultural Water Advisory Committee

SUBJECT:

Approval of Minutes.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the July 1, 2019, Meeting Minutes.

SUMMARY:

A summary of Committee discussions, and details of all actions taken by the Committee, during all open and public Committee meetings, is transcribed and submitted for review and approval.

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ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1: 070119 Draft Meeting Minutes.

UNCLASSIFIED MANAGER:

Michele King, 408-630-2711



AGRICULTURAL WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

DRAFT MINUTES

**MONDAY, JULY 1, 2019
1:30 PM**

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Agricultural Water Advisory Committee was held on July 1, 2019, in the Headquarters Building Boardroom at the Santa Clara Valley Water District, 5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, California.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Vice Chair Jan Garrod called the meeting to order at 1:32 pm.

Members in attendance were:

<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Representative</u>
District 1	Mitchell Mariani
District 2	James Provenzano
District 3	William Cilker
District 4	Brent Bonino
District 5	Jan Garrod
	Michael Miller
District 7	Sandra Carrico
Loma Prieta Resource Conservation District	George Fohner

Member not in attendance was:

<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Representative</u>
District 1	Russ Bonino
District 3	David Vanni
District 6	Robert Long
Private Well Owner (Non Retail)	Dhruv Khanna
Santa Clara County Farm Bureau	Sheryl O. Kennedy

Board members in attendance were: Director Nai Hsueh, Board Alternate, Director Richard P. Santos, and Director John L. Varela, Board Representatives.

Staff members in attendance were: Glenna Brambill, Jerry De La Piedra, Vanessa De La Piedra, Samantha Greene, Metra Richert, Ashley Shannon, Darin Taylor and Sunny Williams.

Guest in attendance was: Hon. Mike Flaughter from Open Space Authority Santa Clara Valley

2. TIME OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY ITEM NOT ON AGENDA

There was no one present who wished to speak.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Mr. James Provenzano, seconded by Mr. Michael Miller and unanimously carried to approve the April 8, 2019, Agricultural Water Advisory Committee meeting minutes, as presented.

4. STANDING ITEMS REPORT

Ms. Glenna Brambill and Director Nai Hsueh reviewed the new standing items report agenda item.

The Committee took no action.

5. ACTION ITEMS

5.1 UPDATE ON WATER SUPPLY MASTER PLAN

Ms. Metra Richert reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda. The Draft June 2019 Water Master Supply Plan was distributed.

Mr. Mitchell Mariani, Mr. George Fohner, Directors John L. Varela and Nai Hsueh spoke on the following: South County recharge/treatment plant possibility, raw water, Butterfield site-risk analysis-estimate yield, stormwater, expectation of water availability, State's water projections and the Board's standing items priorities.

Mr. Jerry De La Piedra and Ms. Samantha Greene were available to answer questions.

The Committee took no action.

5.2 DISCUSS PROPOSED COLLABORATIVE TO IDENTIFY SOURCES OF REVENUE TO SUBSIDIZE AGRICULTURAL WATER RATES

Director John L. Varela reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda.

Mr. Dhruv Khanna's email was distributed.

Mr. Mike Flaughner, Director John L. Varela, Mr. George Fohner, Mr. Jan Garrod, Ms. Sandra Carrico and Director Richard P. Santos spoke on the following: Open Space Authority's availability to assist with ag issues, Santa Clara County Agricultural Plan, solutions for sources of revenue , agricultural environmental benefits, flood protection and recharge, agricultural lands, urban agricultural paying the municipal and industrial rate charge, robotics and artificial intelligence (AI), funding needed to replace the open space credit and what the agricultural water rate could look like in two years.

Mr. Jerry De La Piedra, Ms. Samantha Greene and Mr. Darin Taylor were available to answer questions.

The Committee took the following action:

It was moved by Mr. George Fohner, seconded by Mr. Mitchell Mariani and unanimously carried to approve the formation of a team of stakeholders, farm bureau, ag businesses and other interested parties to discuss the Agricultural Plan, potential open space credit funding, agricultural lands, subsidy concerns, environmental and financial impacts and research available source agencies.

5.3 DISCUSS AGRICULTURAL WATER BASELINE STUDY

Ms. Ashley Shannon reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda

Mr. George Fohner, Mr. Jan Garrod and Director Richard P. Santos spoke on the following: UC Extension Salinas, Ag Commission, switching irrigation methods, grants, data gathering, top researchers, partners and farming areas.

Mr. Jerry De La Piedra and Ms. Samantha Greene were available to answer questions.

The Committee took no action.

5.4 REVIEW AGRICULTURAL WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE WORK PLAN, THE OUTCOMES OF BOARD ACTION OF COMMITTEE REQUESTS; AND THE COMMITTEE'S NEXT MEETING AGENDA

Ms. Glenna Brambill Committee Liaison reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda.

The Committee took no action.

6. CLERK REVIEW AND CLARIFICATION OF COMMITTEE REQUESTS TO THE BOARD

Ms. Glenna Brambill reported there was one action item for Board information.

Agenda Item 5.2:

The Committee unanimously approved the formation of a team of stakeholders, farm bureau, ag businesses and other interested parties to discuss the Agricultural Plan, potential open space credit funding, agricultural lands, subsidy concerns, environmental and financial impacts and research of potential source agencies.

Note: Mr. Jan Garrod will take the lead and begin making contacts.

7. REPORTS

7.1 Director's Report

None.

7.2 Manager's Report

Ms. Vanessa De La Piedra reported on the following:

- Water Supply and groundwater basins are in great shape
- Benefit Zone Study Update

Mr. Michael Miller left at 2:47 p.m. and did not return.

7.3 Committee Member Reports

None

7.4 Committee Member Reports

- The Committee received link to the June Water Tracker report

8. ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Jan Garrod adjourned at 2:48 pm to the next regular meeting on Monday, October 7, 2019, at 1:30 pm, in the Santa Clara Valley Water District Headquarters Building Boardroom.

Glenna Brambill
Board Committee Liaison
Office of the Clerk of the Board

Approved:



Santa Clara Valley Water District

File No.: 19-1205

Agenda Date: 1/6/2020
Item No.: 3.2.

COMMITTEE AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Agricultural Water Advisory Committee

SUBJECT:

Approval of Minutes.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the October 07, 2019, Meeting Minutes.

SUMMARY:

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ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1: 100719 Draft Meeting Minutes.

UNCLASSIFIED MANAGER:

Michele King, 408-630-2711



AGRICULTURAL WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

DRAFT MINUTES

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2019
1:30 PM**

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Agricultural Water Advisory Committee was held on October 7, 2019, in the Headquarters Building Boardroom at the Santa Clara Valley Water District, 5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, California.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Chair David Vanni called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m., there was no quorum.

Members in attendance were:

<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Representative</u>
District 1	Mitchell Mariani
District 2	James Provenzano
District 3	David Vanni
District 6	Robert Long
District 7	Sandra Carrico
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Santa Clara County Farm Bureau	Sheryl O. Kennedy

Member not in attendance was:

<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Representative</u>
District 1	Russ Bonino
District 3	William Cilker
District 4	Brent Bonino
District 5	Jan Garrod
	Michael Miller
Loma Prieta Resource Conservation District	George Fohner

Board members in attendance were: Director Nai Hsueh, Board Alternate, Director Richard P. Santos, and Director John L. Varela, Board Representatives.

Staff members in attendance were: Aaron Baker, Glenna Brambill, Jerry De La Piedra, Vanessa De La Piedra, Garth Hall and Darin Taylor.

2. TIME OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY ITEM NOT ON AGENDA

There was no one present who wished to speak.

Because there was no quorum, the Committee met without taking any action of the following agenda items:

4.1 STANDING ITEMS REPORT

Summary:

The Agricultural Water Advisory Committee received *verbal or written updates and reviewed the Board's Fiscal Year 2020 Work Plan Strategies*. These items are generally informational; however, the Committee may request additional information and/or provide collective input to the assigned Board Committee on the following subjects:

1. Finalize the Fisheries and Aquatic Habitat Collaborative Effort (FAHCE). (Assigned to FAHCE) *Nothing to report at this time!*
2. Actively Pursue Efforts to Increase Water Storage Opportunities. (Assigned to Water Storage Exploratory Committee) *Nothing to report at this time!*
3. Actively Participate in Decisions Regarding the California Delta Conveyance. (Assigned to California Delta Conveyance Working Group) *Nothing to report at this time!*
4. Lead Recycled and Purified Water Efforts with the City of San Jose and Other Agencies. (Assigned to Recycled Water Committee) *Nothing to report at this time!*
5. Engage and educate the community, local elected officials and staff on future water supply strategies in Santa Clara County. (Assigned to Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee) *Nothing to report at this time!*
6. Advance Anderson Dam Seismic Retrofit Project. (Assigned to Capital Improvement Program Committee) *Nothing to report at this time!*
7. Provide for a Watershed-Wide Regulatory Planning and Permitting Effort. (Assigned to FAHCE) *Nothing to report at this time!*
8. Attain net positive impact on the environment when implementing Valley Water's mission. *Nothing to report at this time!*
9. Promote the protection of creeks, bay, and other aquatic ecosystems from threats of pollution and degradation (E-4.1.3). (Assigned to Homeless Encampment Ad Hoc Committee) *See Attachment 1.*
10. Advance Diversity and Inclusion Efforts. Carry forward to FY20. (Assigned to Diversity and Inclusion Ad Hoc Committee) *Nothing to report at this time!*
11. Understand if the level of services Valley Water provides to the public are reasonable and the costs of providing services are affordable and effective. (Assigned to Financial Sustainability Group). *Nothing to report at this time!*

ACTION ITEMS:

5.1 UPDATE FROM STAKEHOLDERS ON EFFORTS TO IDENTIFY SOURCES OF REVENUE TO SUBSIDIZE AGRICULTURAL WATER RATES

8. ADJOURNMENT

Chair David Vanni adjourned to the special meeting with SCC Farm Bureau on Monday, December 16, 2019, at 1:30 pm, in the Santa Clara Valley Water District Headquarters Building Boardroom.

Glenna Brambill
Board Committee Liaison
Office of the Clerk of the Board

Approved:



Santa Clara Valley Water District

File No.: 20-0017

Agenda Date: 1/6/2020
Item No.: 3.3.

COMMITTEE AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Agricultural Water Advisory Committee

SUBJECT:

Approval of Minutes.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the December 16, 2019, Special Meeting Minutes.

SUMMARY:

A summary of Committee discussions, and details of all actions taken by the Committee, during all open and public Committee meetings, is transcribed and submitted for review and approval.

Upon Committee approval, minutes transcripts are finalized and entered into the District's historical records archives and serve as historical records of the Committee's meetings.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1: 121619 Draft Special Meeting Minutes.

UNCLASSIFIED MANAGER:

Michele King, 408-630-2711



JOINT AGRICULTURAL WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND SANTA CLARA COUNTY
(SCC) FARM BUREAU MEETING

DRAFT MINUTES

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2019
1:30 PM**

A special joint meeting of the Agricultural Water Advisory Committee and SCC Farm Bureau was held on December 16, 2019, in the Headquarters Building Boardroom at the Santa Clara Valley Water District, 5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, California.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Chair David Vanni called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m., there was no quorum.

Members in attendance were:

Jurisdiction

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Member not in attendance was:

Jurisdiction

District 5

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Loma Prieta Resource Conservation District

Santa Clara County Farm Bureau

Representative

Michael Miller

Sandra Carrico

George Fohner

Sheryl O. Kennedy

Board members in attendance were: Director Nai Hsueh, Board Alternate, Director Richard P. Santos, and Director John L. Varela, Board Representatives.

Staff members in attendance were: Hossein Ashktorab, Aaron Baker, Glenna Brambill, Vanessa De La Piedra, Samantha Greene, Garth Hall, Anthony Mendiola, Michael Potter, Metra Richert and Darin Taylor.

SCC Farm Bureau members in attendance were: Erin Gil and Paul Mirrasou.

Guests in attendance were: Andy Bonino, Doug Muirhead, Amy McElroy (for Assemblymember Robert Rivas), Hon. Mike Flaughner and Jake Smith of the Open Space Authority and Rich Firato of Morgan Hill Chamber of Commerce.

2. TIME OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY ITEM NOT ON AGENDA

There was no one present who wished to speak.

ACTION ITEM:

3. RETAIN OPEN SPACE CREDIT DISCUSSION

Director John L. Varela gave an overview of the Open Space Credit purpose.

Mr. Tim Chiala, Mr. Dhruv Khanna, Mr. Paul Mirassou, Hon. Mike Flaughner, Mr. Erin Gil, Director Richard P. Santos, Director Nai Hsueh and Director John L. Varela spoke on the following: policies and processes, Anderson Dam seismic issues and other projects, ways of finding financial resources/ballot measures, increases of agricultural rates/affordable rates, financial stability of maintaining open space credit, need financial comparison data, partnerships, discussions of continuing issues with growth development and meeting water supply demands.

The Committee took the following action:

The Agricultural Water Advisory Committee by unanimous vote, approved the recommendation that the Board consider endorsing the Collaborative Team, the SCC Farm Bureau along with the Open Space Authority efforts in exploring alternative funding for water projects in order to ensure the stability of groundwater agricultural rates through a measure patterned after Measure P adopted by the City of Mountain View voters in November 2018.

4. CLERK REVIEW AND CLARIFICATION OF COMMITTEE REQUESTS TO THE BOARD

Ms. Glenna Brambill reported there was one action item for Board consideration.

Agenda Item 3:

The Committee by unanimous vote, approved the recommendation that the Board consider endorsing the Collaborative Team, the SCC Farm Bureau along with the Open Space Authority efforts in exploring alternative funding for water projects in order to ensure the stability of groundwater agricultural rates through a measure patterned after Measure P adopted by the Mountain View voters in November 2018.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Chair David Vanni adjourned to the regular meeting on Monday, January 6, 2020, at 1:30 pm, in the Santa Clara Valley Water District Headquarters Building Boardroom.

Glenna Brambill
Board Committee Liaison
Office of the Clerk of the Board

Approved:



Santa Clara Valley Water District

File No.: 19-1206

Agenda Date: 1/6/2020
Item No.: 4.1.

COMMITTEE AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Agricultural Water Advisory Committee

SUBJECT:

Election of Chair and Vice Chair.

RECOMMENDATION:

Elect 2020 Chair and Vice Chair

SUMMARY:

Per the Board Resolution, the duties of the Chair and Vice-Chair are as follows:

The officers of each Committee shall be a Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson, both of whom shall be members of that Committee. The Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson shall be elected by the Committee, each for a term of one year commencing on January 1 and ending on December 31 and for no more than two consecutive terms. The Committee shall elect its officers at the first meeting of the calendar year. All officers shall hold over in their respective offices after their term of office has expired until their successors have been elected and have assumed office.

The Chairperson shall preside at all meetings of the Committee, and he or she shall perform other such duties as the Committee may prescribe consistent with the purpose of the Committee.

The Vice-Chairperson shall perform the duties of the Chairperson in the absence or incapacity of the Chairperson. In case of the unexpected vacancy of the Chairperson, the Vice-Chairperson shall perform such duties as are imposed upon the Chairperson until such time as a new Chairperson is elected by the Committee.

Should the office of Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson become vacant during the term of such office, the Committee shall elect a successor from its membership at the earliest meeting at which such election would be practicable, and such election shall be for the unexpired term of such office.

Should the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson know in advance that they will both be absent from a meeting, the Chair may appoint a Chairperson Pro-tempore to preside over that meeting. In the event of an unanticipated absence of both the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson, the Committee may elect a Chairperson Pro-tempore to preside over the meeting in their absence.

BACKGROUND:

The District Act provides for the creation of advisory boards, committees, or commissions by resolution to serve at the pleasure of the Board.

Accordingly, the Board has established Advisory Committees, which bring respective expertise and

community interest, to advise the Board, when requested, in a capacity as defined: prepare Board policy alternatives and provide comment on activities in the implementation of the District's mission for Board consideration. In keeping with the Board's broader focus, Advisory Committees will not direct the implementation of District programs and projects, other than to receive information and provide comment.

Further, in accordance with Governance Process Policy-3, when requested by the Board, the Advisory Committees may help the Board produce the link between the District and the public through information sharing to the communities they represent.

The Board may also establish Ad-hoc Committees to serve in a capacity as defined by the Board and will be used sparingly.

ATTACHMENTS:

None

UNCLASSIFIED MANAGER:

Michele King, 408-630-2711



Santa Clara Valley Water District

File No.: 19-1207

Agenda Date: 1/6/2020
Item No.: 5.1.

COMMITTEE AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Agricultural Water Advisory Committee

SUBJECT:

Review and Approve 2019 Annual Accomplishments Report for Presentation to the Board
(Committee Chair)

RECOMMENDATION:

- A. Approve the 2019 Accomplishments Report for presentation to the Board; and
- B. Provide comments to the Committee Chair to share with the Board as part of the Accomplishments Report presentation pertaining to the purpose, structure, and function of the Committee.

SUMMARY:

The Accomplishments Report summarizes the committee's discussions and actions to prepare Board policy alternatives and implications for Board deliberation throughout 2019. The Committee Chair, or designee, presents the Accomplishments Report to the Board at a future Board meeting.

The Committee may provide feedback to the Committee Chair, at this time, to share with Board as part of the Accomplishments Report presentation pertaining to the purpose, structure, and function of the Committee.

BACKGROUND:

Governance Process Policy-8:

The District Act provides for the creation of advisory boards, committees, or commissions by resolution to serve at the pleasure of the Board.

Accordingly, the Board has established Advisory Committees, which bring respective expertise and community interest, to advise the Board, when requested, in a capacity as defined: prepare Board policy alternatives and provide comment on activities in the implementation of the District's mission for Board consideration. In keeping with the Board's broader focus, Advisory Committees will not direct the implementation of District programs and projects, other than to receive information and provide comment.

Further, in accordance with Governance Process Policy-3, when requested by the Board, the Advisory Committees may help the Board produce the link between the District and the public through information sharing to the communities they represent.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1: Ag Water 2019 Accomplishments Report

UNCLASSIFIED MANAGER:

Michele King, 408-630-2711

2019 Annual Accomplishments Report: Agricultural Water Advisory Committee

Update: December 2019

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1	Election of Chair and Vice Chair for 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee Elects Chair and Vice Chair for 2019. (Action) 	<p><u>Accomplished January 7, 2019:</u> The Committee elected Mr. David Vanni as 2019 Committee Chair and Mr. Jan Garrod as 2019 Committee Vice Chair.</p>
2	Annual Accomplishments Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review and approve 2018 Accomplishments Report for presentation to the Board. (Action) Submit requests to the Board, as appropriate. 	<p><u>Accomplished January 7, 2019:</u> The Committee reviewed and approved the 2018 Accomplishments Report for presentation to the Board.</p> <p><i>The Board received the Committee's presentation at its March 26, 2019, meeting.</i></p>
3	Open Space Credit Policy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review the Open Space Credit Policy. (Action) Provide comment to the Board in the implementation of the District's mission as it applies to the Open Space Credit Policy. 	<p><u>Accomplished January 7, 2019:</u> The Committee reviewed and commented to the Board on the Open Space Credit Policy with the following action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>The Committee approved not to support staff's recommendation and would like to receive more analysis for them to make a more informed decision.</i> <p><u>Accomplished April 8, 2019:</u> The Committee reviewed and commented to the Board on the Open Space Credit Policy with the following action: The Committee approve submitting the following letter to the Board of Directors, April 8, 2019:</p>

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			<p>The AWAC opposes the proposed changes in the Open Space Credit policy at this time.</p> <p>Members of the AWAC currently have the understanding that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Valley Water apparently at this time does not have a precise, comprehensive valuation of the benefits that agricultural lands and open space provide in Santa Clara County with respect to mitigating flood risk, 2) Valley Water apparently at this time does not have precise estimates of the effect on flood risk that would result from various levels of urbanization of agricultural lands and open space in Santa Clara County, 3) Diverting funding from the Open Space Credit for the purpose of flood control may be counterproductive, and maintaining agricultural lands and open space may be among the most cost effective means of mitigating flood risk, 4) Agricultural land that is not under Williamson Act or conservation easement is the land that is most at risk for conversion to non-agricultural use. 5) At the moment when the County of Santa Clara has just launched a comprehensive Agricultural Plan with state and county funding to sustain agriculture and retain its many important benefits, this would be an unfortunate time to raise the cost of groundwater to most agricultural producers by almost 20%, and would undermine the hoped-for trust and collaborative spirit among diverse interests that will be needed for success of the plan.

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			<p>6) Headlines about the proposed reduction in Open Space Credit might well read: Valley Water hits farmers with 20% increase in water costs at time when county launches major effort to preserve threatened farming and open space and Valley Water's price hike to farmers in response to 2017 flooding may increase flood risks and costs.</p> <p><i>The Board received the Committee's information at its April 23, 2019, meeting.</i></p>
4	<p>Review of Agricultural Water Advisory Committee Work Plan, the Outcomes of Board Action of Committee Requests and the Committee's Next Meeting Agenda</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Receive and review the 2018 Board-approved Committee work plan. (Action) • Submit requests to the Board, as appropriate. 	<p><u>Accomplished January 7, 2019:</u> The Committee reviewed the 2019 work plan and took the following action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The Committee agreed to add updates on: Anderson Dam, CA WaterFix and One Water Plan.</i> <p><u>Accomplished April 8, 2019:</u> The Committee reviewed the 2019 work plan and took no action.</p> <p><u>Accomplished July 1, 2019:</u> The Committee reviewed the 2019 work plan and took no action.</p> <p><u>October 7, 2019:</u> There was no quorum, therefore the Committee took no action.</p>

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5	<p><u>Standing Items Reports/Fiscal Year 2019:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Finalize the Fisheries and Aquatic Habitat Collaboration Effort (FAHCE) (Report from the FAHCE Ad Hoc Committee) 2. Actively Pursue Efforts to Increase Water Storage Opportunities (Report from the Water Storage Exploratory Committee) 3. Actively Participate in Decisions Regarding the California WaterFix (Report from EWRC Board Representative) 4. Advance Recycled and Purified Water Efforts with the City of San Jose and Other Agencies (Report from the Recycled Water Committee) 5. Advance Anderson Dam Seismic Retrofit Project (Report from the Capital Improvement Program Committee) 6. Provide for a Watershed-Wide Regulatory Planning and Permitting Effort (Report from the Capital Improvement Program Committee) 7. Ensure Immediate Emergency Action Plans and Flood Protection are Provided for Coyote Creek (Report from the Coyote Creek Flood Risk Reduction Ad Hoc Committee) 8. Foster a Coordinated Approach to Environmental Stewardship Effort (Report from EWRC Board Representative) 9. Advance Diversity and Inclusion Efforts (Report from the Diversity and Inclusion Ad Hoc Committee) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Receive quarterly reports on standing items. (Information) 	<p><u>Accomplished April 8, 2019:</u> The Committee received report on the new standing items reports for Fiscal 2019 and took no action.</p>
6	<p>Review and Comment to the Board on the Fiscal Year 2019 - 2020 Proposed Groundwater Production Charges.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review and comment to the Board on the Fiscal Year 2020 Proposed Groundwater Production Charges. (Action) 	<p><u>Accomplished April 8, 2019:</u> The Committee reviewed and commented to the Board on the Fiscal Year 2020 Proposed Groundwater Production Charges as follows:</p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide comments to the Board, as necessary. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The motion failed: 3 Ayes, 5 Nays, 3 abstained.
7	<p><u>Standing Items Reports Fiscal Year 2020:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Finalize the Fisheries and Aquatic Habitat Collaborative Effort (FAHCE). (Assigned to FAHCE) Actively Pursue Efforts to Increase Water Storage Opportunities. (Assigned to Water Storage Exploratory Committee) Actively Participate in Decisions Regarding the California Delta Conveyance. (Assigned to California Delta Conveyance Working Group) Lead Recycled and Purified Water Efforts with the City of San Jose and Other Agencies. (Assigned to Recycled Water Committee) Engage and educate the community, local elected officials and staff on future water supply strategies in Santa Clara County. (Assigned to Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee) Advance Anderson Dam Seismic Retrofit Project. (Assigned to Capital Improvement Program Committee) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Receive quarterly reports on standing items. (Information) 	<p><u>Accomplished July 1, 2019:</u> The Committee received report on the new standing items reports for Fiscal 2020 and took no action.</p> <p><u>October 7, 2019:</u> There was no quorum, therefore the Committee took no action.</p>

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	<p>7. Provide for a Watershed-Wide Regulatory Planning and Permitting Effort. (Assigned to FAHCE)</p> <p>8. Attain net positive impact on the environment when implementing Valley Water’s mission.</p> <p>9. Promote the protection of creeks, bay, and other aquatic ecosystems from threats of pollution and degradation (E-4.1.3). (Assigned to Homeless Encampment Ad Hoc Committee)</p> <p>10. Advance Diversity and Inclusion Efforts. Carry forward to FY20. (Assigned to Diversity and Inclusion Ad Hoc Committee)</p> <p>11. Understand if the level of services Valley Water provides to the public are reasonable and the costs of providing services are affordable and effective. (Assigned to Revenue Working Group)</p>		
8	<p>Water Supply Master Plan Update <i>See Board Priority Standing item #5</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Receive an update on the Water Supply Master Plan. (Action). • Provide comments to the Board, as necessary. 	<p>Link to 1/18/19 Board Agenda https://scvwd.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=3833245&GUID=B2A7EFC8-34C3-4EF8-BF2A-FC11774B9CF1&Options=ID Text Attachments &Search=January+18%2c+2019</p> <p>Accomplished July 1, 2019: The Committee received an update on the Water Supply Master Plan and took no action.</p>

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10	Discuss Proposed Collaborative to Identify Sources of Revenue to Subsidize Agricultural Water Rates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss Proposed Collaborative to Identify Sources of Revenue to Subsidize Agricultural Water Rates (Action) • Provide comments to the Board, as necessary 	<p><u>Accomplished July 1, 2019:</u> The Committee discussed proposed collaborative to identify sources of revenue to subsidize agricultural water rates and took the following action: The Committee unanimously carried to approve the formation of a team of stakeholders, farm bureau, ag businesses and other interested parties to discuss the Agricultural Plan, potential open space credit funding, agricultural lands, subsidy concerns, environmental and financial impacts and research available source agencies.</p> <p><i>The Board received the Committee's information at its July 23, 2019, meeting.</i></p>
11	Discuss Agricultural Water Use Baseline Study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss Agricultural Water Use Baseline Study (Information) • Provide comments to the Board, as necessary 	<p><u>Accomplished July 1, 2019:</u> The Committee discussed the agricultural water use baseline study and took no action.</p>
12	Update from Stakeholders on Efforts to Identify Sources of Revenue to Subsidize Agricultural Water Rates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Receive update from Stakeholders on Efforts to Identify Sources of Revenue to Subsidize Agricultural Water Rates (Action) • Provide comments to the Board, as necessary 	<p><u>October 7, 2019:</u> There was no quorum, therefore the committee took no action.</p>

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13	Special Meeting with SCC Farm Bureau Retain Open Space Credit Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss retaining Open Space Credit 	<p>Accomplished December 16, 2019: The Committee discussed retaining Open Space Credit and took the following action: The Committee by unanimous vote, approved the recommendation that the Board consider endorsing the Collaborative Team, the SCC Farm Bureau along with the Open Space Authority efforts in exploring alternative funding for water projects in order to ensure the stability of groundwater agricultural rates through a measure patterned after Measure P adopted by the Mountain View voters in November 2018.</p> <p><i>The Board received the Committee's information at its January 14, 2020, meeting.</i></p>
14	One Water Plan Update <i>See Board Priority Standing item #8</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Receive information on One Water Plan. (Information) Provide comments to the Board, as necessary 	
15	California Delta Conveyance (formerly CA WaterFix)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Receive information on California Delta Conveyance. (Information) Provide comments to the Board, as necessary 	
16	Update on Anderson Dam	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Receive information on Anderson Dam. (Information) Provide comments to the Board, as necessary. 	

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17	Climate Change Mitigation – Carbon Neutrality by 2020 Program Update, Climate Change and Sea Level Rise Adaptation – Water Supply, Flood Protection, Ecosystems Protection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Receive information on climate change mitigation – carbon neutrality by 2020 program update. (Action) • Provide comments to the Board, as necessary. 	https://scvwd.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=3834299&GUID=3DE58FF2-BB43-4305-81C4-916B18DBE118&Options=&Search=

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Santa Clara Valley Water District

File No.: 19-1208

Agenda Date: 1/6/2020
Item No.: 5.2.

COMMITTEE AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Agricultural Water Advisory Committee

SUBJECT:

Retain Open Space Credit Discussion Update

RECOMMENDATION:

Discussion on updated information on Open Space Credit and provide comment to the Board as necessary.

SUMMARY:

At the July 1, 2019, meeting, the Agricultural Water Advisory Committee (Committee) approved the formation of a team of stakeholders - farm bureau, ag businesses and other interested parties, to discuss the Agricultural Plan, potential open space credit funding, agricultural lands, subsidy concerns, environmental and financial impacts and research of potential source agencies.

This item provides an opportunity for the Committee and Stakeholder groups to provide updates on the collaborative efforts to date.

Collaborative Lead: Director John Varela for Valley Water, and Jan Garrod, Committee Vice Chair.

Progress Report: The Committee members present received an update from the created collaborative and participated in a discussion on the collaborative process at a special joint meeting with the Agricultural Water Advisory Committee and the Santa Clara County Farm Bureau on December 16, 2019.

ATTACHMENTS:

None:

UNCLASSIFIED MANAGER:

Michele King, 408-630-2711



Santa Clara Valley Water District

File No.: 19-1209

Agenda Date: 1/6/2020
Item No.: 5.3.

COMMITTEE AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Agricultural Water Advisory Committee

SUBJECT:

Opportunities to Enhance and Update the Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program by Evaluating a Future Funding Measure.

RECOMMENDATION:

- A. Receive information on opportunities to strengthen and update the existing Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program;
- B. Receive information on the feasibility of developing and placing a future funding measure on the November 2020 ballot; and
- C. Provide input on new program development, including a community opinion survey tool.

SUMMARY:

The Safe, Clean Water team wishes to share information and receive input from Santa Clara Valley Water District's (Valley Water) Board advisory committees to keep them apprised of planning for future funding. It is recognized that the committees provide a valuable service to Valley Water with each member bringing expertise and insight that reflect the values of the community at large for their specific committee directives. The team sees this as the first step of many in engaging the committees as stakeholders in this process that is critical to the future of Valley Water and its projects and programs.

With the upcoming November 2020 elections, staff is exploring the opportunity to place a ballot measure to continue the existing special parcel tax for the Safe, Clean Water Program beyond its current expiration in 2028 in an effort to extend existing funding levels and address additional funding needs. Additionally, this new program could potentially include more multi-benefit projects and strategies to address Board priorities such as infrastructure reliability and climate change adaptation.

At the December 10 meeting, the Board of Directors provided direction to staff to continue exploring the feasibility of such a funding measure and to bring back information as it relates to what a new program would look like. Staff is now seeking input from the advisory committees.

Current Safe, Clean Water Program

Overwhelmingly approved by voters, the Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program (Safe, Clean Water Program) is a 15-year strategy to ensure uninterrupted water resources services in Santa Clara County. The program was developed through community collaboration and input from residents and stakeholders that identified five top community priorities:

- Priority A: Ensure a Safe, Reliable Water Supply
- Priority B: Reduce Toxins, Hazards, and Contaminants from our Waterways
- Priority C: Protect our Water Supply from Earthquakes and Natural Disasters
- Priority D: Restore Wildlife Habitat and Provide for Open Space
- Priority E: Provide Flood Protection to Homes, Business, Schools and Highways

In November 2012, Santa Clara County voters passed the Safe, Clean Water ballot measure by nearly 74%, extending the funding at the same parcel tax rate approved under the previous Clean, Safe, Creek and Natural Flood Protection Plan (Clean, Safe Creeks Plan).

Currently, the Safe, Clean Water Program special parcel tax includes five (5) types of parcels that cover categories for commercial/ industrial, institutional purposes such as churches, schools or multiple dwellings exceeding four units, single-family residential and multi-family units up to four, agricultural, and nonutilized urban and rural areas. A sixth category, parcels used exclusively as well sites for residential use, is exempt from the special parcel tax. An annual escalator is also included to account for the effects of inflation. Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water) Board of Directors may adjust the special tax amounts annually by the change in the San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers (CPI-U), or 3%, whichever is greater.

The current FY20 annual tax rate for the average single-family residence stands at \$67.67. In FY21, the Board may consider increasing the tax to \$69.70 based on the consumer price index increase in costs for performing the functions of the program.

Current Program Needs and Opportunities

In the face of new challenges due to climate change, population/economic growth and future uncertainties with imported water supplies, it is imperative for Valley Water to plan, adapt, build, and upgrade its water resources systems by investing in existing and new programs that will help meet the future challenges of tomorrow. Currently, there is an opportunity to put a ballot measure in front of voters to extend the Safe, Clean Water Program which sunsets on June 30, 2028, and funds approximately one-third of the existing watershed and stewardship budgeted programs.

The existing Safe, Clean Water Program has priorities that could be enhanced to address several existing and new challenges, including the opportunity to develop more multi-benefit projects that provide enhanced environmental benefits, and providing needed funding for several large infrastructure and flood protection projects.

Furthermore, with increased homeless encampments along our creeks and waterways, water quality will remain a top priority. A new program will enable Valley Water to adequately address such existing challenges that have significant impacts to our water quality, as well as new and emerging threats. Valley Water must remain well-equipped to address all water quality issues to continue providing safe, clean water to our entire community.

In addition, a new program would allow Valley Water to better adapt and meet the growing challenges that stem from climate change and extreme weather patterns, such as severe drought, flooding and wildfires. Climate change adaptation needs to be integrated across projects to include upgrading

aging infrastructure; expanding water storage; securing locally-controlled, reliable and sustainable water supplies; increasing and expanding flood protection for homes, businesses, and schools, as well as addressing sea-level rise. Each of these priorities will require significant mitigation, along with ongoing infrastructure maintenance and vegetation and sediment removal. This work is more critical than ever as we face increased flooding and wildfire threats.

Some of the key projects that have been identified as prime candidates for additional enhancements or funding under the new program are:

- *Anderson Dam Seismic Retrofit*
- *Pacheco Reservoir Expansion*
- *Almaden Valley Pipeline Replacement Project*
- *Coyote Creek Flood Protection Project*
- *Upper Penitencia Creek Flood Protection Project*
- *San Francisquito Creek Flood Protection Project*
- *Upper Llagas Creek Flood Protection Project*
- *Upper Guadalupe Flood Protection Project*
- *San Francisco Bay Shoreline Flood Protection*
- *Stevens Creek Fish Passage Barrier Removal*
- *Creek Cleanups and Homeless Encampments*

Project Priorities and Initial Gap Assessment

Staff has begun the process for a preliminary identification of needs and opportunities in November 2019. The identified needs and opportunities represent a range of candidate projects and programs that could be undertaken. The development of needs and opportunities is in effect the “gap” analysis to identify those areas where the current Safe, Clean Water Program could benefit from additional funding for existing projects over the next planning horizon, along with potential new projects that could benefit the community. The identified opportunities are included below and will be further refined. Staff is seeking input from the advisory committees on such priorities that they would like staff to investigate and consider.

Priority A: Ensure a Safe, Reliable Water Supply

- Safe Clean Water Partnerships and Grants - Continue and Enhance
- Pipeline Reliability Project - Continue and Enhance

Priority A Newly Identified Opportunities

Staff is exploring the feasibility of adding, replacing, enhancing or expanding the following new concepts:

- Pacheco Reservoir Expansion
- Water Conservation Rebate Program

Priority B: Reduce Toxins, Hazards, and Contaminates from our Waterways

- Impaired Water Bodies Improvement - Continue
- Interagency Urban Runoff Program - Continue

- Pollution Prevention Partnerships and Grants - Continue and Enhance
- Good Neighbor Program: Encampment Cleanup - Continue and Enhance
- Hazardous Materials Management and Response - Continue
- Good Neighbor Program: Remove Graffiti and Litter - Continue
- Support Volunteer Cleanup Efforts and Education - Continue and Enhance

Priority B Newly Identified Opportunities

Staff is exploring the feasibility of adding, replacing, enhancing or expanding the following new concepts:

- Green Stormwater Infrastructure Projects
- Good Neighbor Public Arts Program

Priority C: Protect our Water Supply from Earthquakes and Natural Disasters

- Anderson Dam Seismic Retrofit - Continue and Enhance
- Emergency Response Upgrades - Continue and Enhance

Priority C Newly Identified Opportunities

Staff is exploring the feasibility of adding, replacing, enhancing or expanding the following new concepts:

- Dam Safety Program Seismic Retrofit Projects
- Almaden Valley Pipeline Replacement Project

Priority D: Restore Wildlife Habitat and Provide for Open Space

- Management of Riparian Vegetation Projects - Continue and Enhance
- Revitalize Stream, Upland and Wetland Habitat - Continue and Enhance
- Grants and Partnerships to Restore Wildlife Habitat/ Provide Access to Trails - Continue and Enhance
- Fish Habitat and Passage Improvements
 - Almaden Creek-Lake Separation - Continue and Enhance
 - Fish Passage Improvements - Continue and Enhance
 - Install Large/Woody Debris and Gravel Augmentation - Continue and Enhance
- Ecological Data Collection and Analysis - Continue and Enhance
- Creek Restoration and Stabilization
 - Hale Creek - Continue and Enhance
- Partnerships for the Conservation of Habitat Lands - Continue and Enhance
- South Bay Salt Ponds Restoration Partnership - Continue

Priority D Newly Identified Opportunities

Staff is exploring the feasibility of adding, replacing, enhancing or expanding the following new concepts:

- Coyote Valley Partnership
- Lands Management - Land acquisition for strategic floodplain management, access for operations, mitigation efforts, and habitat connectivity.
- Calabazas - San Tomas Aquino Creeks Realignment Project
- Coyote Creek Riparian and Aquatic Enhancements
- Coyote Meadows Habitat and Floodplain Enhancements

Priority E: Provide Flood Protection to Homes, Business, Schools and Highways

- Vegetation Control and Sediment Removal for Flood Protection - Continue and Enhance
- Emergency Response Planning - Continue and Enhance
- Flood Risk Reduction Studies - Continue and Enhance
- Upper Penitencia Creek Flood Project - Additional funding
- San Francisquito Creek Flood Protection - Additional funding
- Upper Llagas Creek Flood Protection - Additional funding
- San Francisco Bay Shoreline Protection - Additional funding
- Upper Guadalupe River Flood Protection - Additional funding

Continued Clean, Safe Creeks Projects

- Sunnyvale East and Sunnyvale West Channels Flood Protection - Continue
- Coyote Creek Flood Protection - Additional funding

Priority E Newly Identified Opportunities

Staff is exploring the feasibility of adding, replacing, enhancing or expanding the following new concepts:

- Upper Silver Creek Flood Protection
- Ross Creek Flood Protection
- Upper Berryessa Creek (680 to Old Piedmont)
- 5-year O&M Plan identified activities
- Thompson Creek Sediment and Erosion Management
- Watersheds Asset Reliability Program - prioritize/ improve reaches in need of rehabilitation

NEXT STEPS

Program Development

Under the Board's direction, staff is exploring the feasibility of this effort, including how to enhance and update the program that is inclusive of the community's desire and values. As part of this effort, an agency-wide internal Steering Committee with functional task groups has been assembled and key program staff have been identified to assist with internal project teams to start developing an updated community plan to refine priorities. These priorities, along with financial analysis models to further refine program funding estimates, will be further developed between mid-December 2019 and

May 2020.

Community and Stakeholder Outreach

To achieve public consent on any future program, which may go to the voters, staff will lead a broad communications effort. This effort will allow for the public to provide input on their interests and values for the new program, including recommended project outcomes. This input will aid staff in developing a draft community preferred program.

Staff will fine tune the priorities and projects through a series of broad outreach efforts, such as Board advisory committees and a blue-ribbon stakeholder roundtable (anticipated to be held in February 2020).

Additionally, staff will develop other outreach tools and strategies to solicit programmatic input for the Board's consideration. Based on information gathered from the community and stakeholders, staff will prepare a report for the Board on the community preferred program, for the Board's consideration for the November 2020 ballot.

ATTACHMENTS:

None.

UNCLASSIFIED MANAGER:

Marta Lugo, 408-630-2237



Santa Clara Valley Water District

File No.: 19-1210

Agenda Date: 1/6/2020
Item No.: 5.4.

COMMITTEE AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Agricultural Water Advisory Committee

SUBJECT:

Review Agricultural Water Advisory Committee Work Plan, the Outcomes of Board Action of Committee Requests; and the Committee's Next Meeting Agenda.

RECOMMENDATION:

Review the Committee work plan to guide the committee's discussions regarding policy alternatives and implications for Board deliberation.

SUMMARY:

The attached Work Plan outlines the Board-approved topics for discussion to be able to prepare policy alternatives and implications for Board deliberation. The work plan is agendaized at each meeting as accomplishments are updated and to review additional work plan assignments by the Board.

BACKGROUND:

Governance Process Policy-8:

The District Act provides for the creation of advisory boards, committees, or commissions by resolution to serve at the pleasure of the Board.

Accordingly, the Board has established Advisory Committees, which bring respective expertise and community interest, to advise the Board, when requested, in a capacity as defined: prepare Board policy alternatives and provide comment on activities in the implementation of the District's mission for Board consideration. In keeping with the Board's broader focus, Advisory Committees will not direct the implementation of District programs and projects, other than to receive information and provide comment.

Further, in accordance with Governance Process Policy-3, when requested by the Board, the Advisory Committees may help the Board produce the link between the District and the public through information sharing to the communities they represent.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1: Agricultural Water Advisory Committee 2020 Work Plan

Attachment 2: Agricultural Water Advisory Committee April 2020 Draft Agenda

File No.: 19-1210

Agenda Date: 1/6/2020
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UNCLASSIFIED MANAGER:
Michele King, 408-630-2711

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4	Review of Agricultural Water Advisory Committee Work Plan, the Outcomes of Board Action of Committee Requests and the Committee's Next Meeting Agenda	January 6 April 6 July 6 October 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Receive and review the 2020 Board-approved Committee work plan. (Action) Submit requests to the Board, as appropriate. 	

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5	<u>Standing Items Reports Fiscal Year 2020:</u>	January 6 April 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Receive quarterly reports on standing items. (Information) 	
WATER SUPPLY: There is reliable, clean water supply for current and future generations				
<i>Board Strategy 1</i>	Finalize the Fisheries and Aquatic Habitat Collaborative Effort (FAHCE). <i>(Assigned to FAHCE)</i>			
<i>Board Strategy 2</i>	Actively Pursue Efforts to Increase Water Storage Opportunities. <i>(Assigned to Water Storage Exploratory Committee)</i>			
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2020 Work Plan: Agricultural Water Advisory Committee

Update: December 2019

ITEM	WORK PLAN ITEM BOARD POLICY	MEETING DATE	INTENDED OUTCOME(S) (Action or Information Only)	ACCOMPLISHMENT DATE AND OUTCOME
<i>Board Strategy 3</i>	Provide Affordable and Effective Level of Services (Assigned to Financial Sustainability Group)			
6	Opportunities to Enhance and Update the Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program by Evaluating a Future Funding Measure	January 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Receive information on opportunities to strengthen and update the existing Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program; And on the feasibility of developing and placing a future funding measure on the November 2020 ballot; • Provide input on new program development, including a community opinion survey tool. 	
7	Review and Comment to the Board on the Fiscal Year 2020 - 2021 Proposed Groundwater Production Charges.	April 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review and comment to the Board on the Fiscal Year 2021 Proposed Groundwater Production Charges. (Action) • Provide comments to the Board, as necessary. 	
8	One Water Plan Update <i>See Board Priority Standing item #8</i>	TBD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Receive information on One Water Plan. (Information) • Provide comments to the Board, as necessary 	

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Nai Hsueh, Alternate
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DRAFT AGENDA

AGRICULTURAL WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2020

1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

**Santa Clara Valley Water District
Headquarters Building Boardroom
5700 Almaden Expressway
San Jose, CA 95118**

Time Certain:

1:30 p.m. 1.

Call to Order/Roll Call

2. Time Open for Public Comment on Any Item Not on Agenda

Comments should be limited to two minutes. If the Committee wishes to discuss a subject raised by the speaker, it can request placement on a future agenda.

3. Approval of Minutes

3.1 Approval of Minutes – January 6, 2020, meeting

4. Action Items

4.1 Retain Open Space Credit Discussion Update

Recommendation: Discussion on updated information on Open Space Credit and provide comment to the Board as necessary.

4.2 Review and Comment to the Board on the Fiscal Year 2020 - 2021 Proposed Groundwater Production Charges (Darin Taylor)

Recommendation: Provide comment to the Board in the implementation of the District's mission as it applies to staff's groundwater production charge recommendation for FY 2020-2021.

4.3 Review Agricultural Water Advisory Committee Work Plan, the Outcomes of Board Action of Committee Requests and the Committee's Next Meeting Agenda (Committee Chair)

Recommendation: Review the Board-approved Committee work plan to guide the committee's discussions regarding policy alternatives and implications for Board deliberation.

5. Standing Items Reports

This item allows the Agricultural Water Advisory Committee to receive verbal or written updates and discuss the Board's Fiscal Year 2020 Work Plan Strategies. These items are generally informational; however, the Committee may request additional information and/or provide collective input to the assigned Board Committee.

WATER SUPPLY: There is reliable, clean water supply for current and future generations	
<i>Board Strategy 1</i>	Finalize the Fisheries and Aquatic Habitat Collaborative Effort (FAHCE). <i>(Assigned to FAHCE)</i>
<i>Board Strategy 2</i>	Actively Pursue Efforts to Increase Water Storage Opportunities. <i>(Assigned to Water Storage Exploratory Committee)</i>
<i>Board Strategy 3</i>	Actively Participate in Decisions Regarding the California Delta Conveyance. <i>(Assigned to California Delta Conveyance Working Group)</i>
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6. Clerk Review and Clarification of Committee Requests to the Board

This is a review of the Committee's Requests, to the Board (from Item 4). The Committee may also request that the Board approve future agenda items for Committee discussion.

7. Reports

Directors, Managers, and Committee members may make brief reports and/or announcements on their activities. Unless a subject is specifically listed on the agenda, the Report is for information only and not discussion or decision. Questions for clarification are permitted.

- 7.1 Director's Report
- 7.2 Manager's Report
- 7.3 Committee Member Reports
- 7.4 Links to Informational Reports

8. **Adjourn:** Adjourn to next regularly scheduled meeting at 1:30 p.m., **July 6, 2020**, in the Headquarters Building Boardroom, 5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, CA 95118

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Agricultural Water Advisory Committee Purpose and Duties

The Agricultural Water Advisory Committee of the Santa Clara Valley Water District (District) is established per the District Act to assist the District Board of Directors (Board) with policies pertaining to agricultural water supply and use.

The specific duties are:

- Providing input on policy alternatives for Board deliberation, when requested by the Board.
- Providing comment on activities in the implementation of the District's mission that the Board will consider or refer to staff.
- Producing and presenting to the Board an Annual Accomplishments Report that provides a synopsis of the Committee's discussions regarding specific topics and subsequent policy recommendations, comments, and requests that resulted from those discussions.

In carrying out these duties, the Board's Committees bring to the District their respective expertise and the interests of the communities they represent. In addition, Board Committee members may bring information regarding District activities to the communities they represent.



Santa Clara Valley Water District

File No.: 19-1211

Agenda Date: 1/6/2020
Item No.: 6.1.

COMMITTEE AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Agricultural Water Advisory Committee

SUBJECT:

Standing Items Report.

RECOMMENDATION:

Standing Items Reports

This item allows the Agricultural Water Advisory Committee to receive verbal or written updates and discuss the Board's Fiscal Year 2020 Work Plan Strategies. These items are generally informational; however, the Committee may request additional information and/or provide collective input to the assigned Board Committee.

SUMMARY:

The Agricultural Water Advisory Committee was established to assist the Board with policy review and development, provide comment on activities in the implementation of the District mission, and to identify Board-related issues.

On March 12, 2019, the Board of Directors approved aligning the Board Advisory Committees' agendas and work plans with the Board's yearly work plan.

The new agenda format will allow regular reports on the Board's priorities from the Board's committees and/or Board committee representative and identify subjects where the committees could provide advice to the Board on pre-identified subjects in a timely manner to meet the Board's schedule, and distribute information/reports that may be of interest to committee members.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1: Standing Items Report.

UNCLASSIFIED MANAGER:

Michele King, 408-630-2711

FY19-20 BOARD WORK PLAN – STANDING ITEMS REPORT
December 2019 Update

WATER SUPPLY There is reliable, clean water supply for current and future generations.	
Strategy 1:	Finalize the Fisheries and Aquatic Habitat Collaborative Effort (FAHCE)
FY20 Focus:	Expedite early implementation of feasibility studies, monitoring activities, and planning and construction of various fish passage improvements.
Update:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Valley Water hosted a third FAHCE Technical Work Group meeting on November 19, 2019. • A FAHCE Initiating Party Meeting was held on December 10, 2019 to clarify a path forward for the FAHCE Environmental Impact Report (EIR).
Strategy 2:	Actively Pursue Efforts to Increase Water Storage Opportunities
FY20 Focus:	Explore opportunities to develop surface and groundwater storage projects that align with Valley Water’s mission. Additionally, seek water exchange and transfer opportunities.
Update:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning documents are in development for Pacheco Dam and Valley Water is developing responses to the draft Environmental Impact Report. • A Joint Workshop of the Sites Project Authority and the Reservoir Committee was held at ACWA on December 3, 2019. The next Reservoir Committee meeting will be on December 19, 2019.
Strategy 3:	Actively participate in decisions regarding the California Delta Conveyance
FY20 Focus:	As a voice for Northern California, continue to engage and negotiate, through serving on the Delta Conveyance Design and Construction Authority and Finance Authority in adherence to Board approved Guiding Principles, to protect Santa Clara County’s interests.
Update:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Valley Water has continued executive partnering and targeted meetings with the Department of Water Resources (DWR) and the Delta Conveyance Authority (DCA) to chart the strategic path forward on Delta Conveyance. • The next meeting of the DCA will be on December 19, 2019. • The next meeting of the Delta Conveyance Finance Authority (DCFA) will be on December 19, 2019.
Strategy 4:	Lead Recycled and Purified Water Efforts with the City of San Jose and Other Agencies
FY20 Focus:	Develop a portfolio of advanced purified water and secure recycled water sources as identified in the 2040 Water Supply Master Plan.
Update:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On November 18, 2019, the Partnership Agreement between Valley Water, the City of Palo Alto, and the City of Mountain View to Advance Resilient Water Reuse Programs in Santa Clara County was approved unanimously by the city councils of Palo Alto and Mountain View. • On December 10, 2019, the Partnership Agreement was approved by the Valley Water Board of Directors.

Strategy 5:	Engage and educate the community, local elected officials and staff on future water supply strategies in Santa Clara County.
FY20 Focus:	Aggressively implement “No Regrets” package as identified in the 2040 Water Supply Master Plan, with emphasis on a leadership role in implementing the model ordinance.
Update:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On October 4, 2019 the Office of Government Relations conducted Valley Water’s annual Water Walk Tour, which educated and engaged 44 elected official and staff representing federal, state, regional, and local jurisdictions and key advocacy stakeholders on critical Valley Water projects. The application period for the Water 101 Academy closed on November 8, 2019. Community members from all seven districts apply to the Academy to become “Water Ambassadors” to learn about and become spokespeople around water issues. Participant selection will be made by January 2020 with the next Academy session starting February 2020.
Strategy 6:	Advance Anderson Dam Seismic Retrofit Project
FY20 Focus:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to work with appropriate regulatory agencies to review and obtain approval for all project design plans. Release for review and certify the Draft Environmental Report. Continue to inform the public and neighborhoods of the project progress and construction timeline (Project Delivery). Balance flood protection, water supply, and environmental flow requirements appropriately for annual operations prior to completion of the construction of Anderson Dam Seismic Retrofit (Rule Curve).
Update:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On December 4, 2019, Valley Water management participated in a meeting in Washington D.C. with U.S. Congresswoman Zoe Lofgren, various local elected officials, and representatives from FERC DHAC, FERC D2SI, NMFS, USACE, and USFWS to discuss the Anderson Dam project design and coordination, leading to the various groups represented agreeing to meet on a quarterly basis to continue to advance the project. On December 16, 2019, the Anderson Dam Seismic Retrofit (ADSR) Project Description and Geographic Scope was submitted to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC).

NATURAL FLOOD PROTECTION

There is a healthy and safe environment for residents, businesses and visitors, as well as for future generations.

Strategy 1:	Goal 1: Provide natural flood protection for residents, businesses and visitors and reduce the potential for flood damages
FY20 Focus:	FY20 Focus: Provide for Watershed-Wide regulatory planning and permitting effort and pursue other efforts at the state and federal level to expedite permit review.
Update:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Emergency Services and Security hosted the Winter Preparedness Workshop at Valley Water on December 05, 2019. The purpose of the workshop was to discuss the predicted weather forecast for the upcoming winter season, how agencies have prepared for the winter, resources for agencies and the public, and what a coordinated response to emergency situations would look like. Valley Water and external agencies delivered presentations on the different types of flooding, monitoring/response capabilities, and emergency management coordination. 71 participants were present during the workshop, which included representatives from the following external agencies: NASA Ames Moffett Field, Palo Alto OES, Santa Clara County Fire, Santa Clara County Office of Emergency Management, Santa Clara Kaiser, Sunnyvale Dpt. Of Public Safety, Town of Los Gatos, Kaiser Santa Clara, Morgan Hill CERT, Milpitas OES, Department of Water Resources, National Weather Service, Morgan Hill OES, Emergency Response Team NASA, American Red Cross, Cupertino OES, CAL Fire, County of Santa Clara Public Health Department, City of San Jose OES, Mt. View Fire, Palo Alto Public Works, and the cities of: Morgan Hill, Mountain View, Palo Alto, San Jose, and Santa Clara.

ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

There is water resources stewardship to protect and enhance watersheds and natural resources and to improve the quality of life in Santa Clara County.

Strategy 1:	Attain net positive impact on the environment when implementing flood protection and water supply projects.
FY20 Focus:	Provide regular project updates to the Board on One Water’s Watershed Plans.
Update:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One Water Countywide Framework is nearing completion as staff considers additional Board input on levels of service. • One Water Watershed Plans are under development with a draft Coyote Watershed Plan complete and progress continuing on the remaining four watershed plans.
Strategy 2:	Promote the protection of creeks, bay, and other aquatic ecosystems from threats of pollution and degradation.
FY20 Focus:	Continue efforts to protect the ecosystem and water quality of our waterbodies, the integrity of our infrastructure, and ensure our employees have a safe work environment. Such efforts include preventing stormwater pollution, increased implementation of green stormwater infrastructure, addressing mercury pollution, and homeless encampment clean ups.
Update:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On November 14, 2019, Valley Water staff held a conference call with staff and management from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Regional Water Quality Control Board, and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to educate these agencies about our environmental mission. The meeting included a presentation that outlined Valley Water’s restoration goals, the Safe, Clean Water program, our project development process, and desire to identify multi-benefit project opportunities. Following the presentation, participants participated in a brief brainstorming session to identify ways to facilitate the permitting process for restoration projects, in addition to answering project-specific questions from agency staff.

BUSINESS MANAGEMENT Provide Affordable and Effective Cost Level of Services.	
Advance Diversity and Inclusion	
FY20 Focus:	Ensure a work environment that is diverse, inclusive, free of discrimination and harassment, and that provides equal opportunity employment.
Update:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On September 25, 2019, Valley Water was recognized for the 2nd year in a row as the “Heathiest Employer in the San Francisco Bay Area” among companies with 500-1,999 employees. • Valley Water was a top ten finalist in the Partnerships for Industry and Education (PIE) Contest at the California Economic Summit hosted by California Forward. The PIE Contest honors innovative partnerships achieving success for students and communities. Valley Water was recognized for its partnership with Gavilan College’s Water Resource Management internship program. • Valley Water Employee Resource Groups (ERGs) hosted several events including: Asian Pacific Resources Group (APRG) Mid-Autumn Festival, Organization for Latino Affairs and Association of Black Employees joint Hispanic Heritage Month event, Ability Awareness Vision event, Association of Women Employees and Classic Vinyl Movie Night, Green Team Vegetarian Thanksgiving, Indo-American Association Diwali event, Santa Vists Alviso Foundation Event, Veterans ERG and APRG collected Toys For Tots, and an ERG-wide Holiday Potluck and Ornament Exchange.
Maintain Appropriate Staffing Levels and Expertise	
FY20 Focus:	Ensure there are capable employees with knowledge and subject-matter expertise to accomplish Valley Water’s mission.
Update:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Analyst Certificate Program was launched in the Fall of 2019 to provide a series of practical courses that support the roles and responsibilities of a successful analyst. • On November 6, 2019, 20 staff graduated from the Fall 2019 Lead Worker Academy to provide Lead Workers with skills to lead teams without possessing formal authority held by supervisors. • On November 19, 2019, 22 employees graduated from the 2019 Facilitator Academy and gained skills including meeting design, participation strategies and facilitation tools.
Provide Affordable and Effective Level of Services	
FY20 Focus:	Continue to research and pursue feasible revenue sources allowed by the District Act.
Update:	<p>The Financial Sustainability Group has conducted the following activities this quarter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviewed opportunities to assess fees related to city/county development plans. • Reviewed and discussed flood protection related ends policies. • Reviewed Redevelopment Agency (RDA) Successor Agency revenue historical actuals and forecast. • Discussed potential Safe Clean Water renewal effort.

Handouts

HANDOUT: AGENDA ITEM 5.3

Safe Clean Water & Natural Flood Protection Program

Community Input Survey 2020

Fields: * City: _____; *Zip code: _____; Name/ Email: _____ (optional)

Please rate each of the following items in importance, on a scale from 1 to 7, with "1" meaning Not Important At All and "7" meaning "Extremely Important to Me" (Mandatory)

	NOT AT ALL IMPORTANT (1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	EXTREMELY IMPORTANT (7)	Average
A. Ensuring a safe, reliable drinking water supply for the future by improving and maintaining dams, pipelines, water storage, treatment systems, and aging infrastructure to avoid disruptions in service.								
B. Reducing and removing toxins, hazards and contaminants like mercury or pharmaceuticals from local creeks, streams and reservoirs.								
C. Protecting our water supply, water quality, dams and flood protection channels from earthquakes, natural disaster, and climate change.								
D. Restoring fish, bird and wildlife habitat in and around local creeks streams and the Bay to ensure a healthy environment.								
E. Providing flood protection to protect local homes, businesses, schools, streets and highways from flooding.								

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Safe Clean Water & Natural Flood Protection Program

Community Input Survey 2020

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F. Providing creek cleanups, vegetation management and tree removal near creeks to lessen the threat of flooding and wildfires.								
G. Building sustainable, locally-controlled water supply projects that are drought resilient.								
H. Increasing public recreational access in and around local creeks, streams and the Bay.								

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