MEETING NOTICE

SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
ENVIRONMENTAL CREEK CLEANUP COMMITTEE
(Formerly Homeless Encampment Committee)

Members of the Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee:
District 3 Director Richard Santos, Committee Chair
District 4 Director Jim Beall
District 7 Director Rebecca Eisenberg

Staff Support of the Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee:
Rick Callender, Esq., Chief Executive Officer
Juan Carlos Orellana, District Counsel
Michele King, Clerk of the Board
Melanie Richardson, Assistant Chief Executive Officer
Rechelle Blank, Chief Operating Officer - Watersheds
Aaron Baker, Chief Operating Officer – Water Utility
Rachael Gibson, Chief of External Affairs
Anthony Fulcher, Sr. Assistant District Counsel
Andrew Gschwind, Assistant District Counsel
Audrey Beaman, Assistant District Counsel
Brian Hopper, Assistant District Counsel
Kirsten Struve, Assistant Officer
Marta Lugo, Assistant Officer
Lisa Bankosh, Assistant Officer
Jennifer Codianne, Deputy Operating Officer
Donald Rocha, Deputy Administrative Officer
Vincent Gin, Deputy Operating Officer
Jay Lee, Watersheds Field Operations Unit Manager
Kathy Bradley, Real Estate Services Manager
John Chapman, Integrated Vegetation Manager
Sherilyn Tran, Civic Engagement Manager
Meenakshi Ganjoo, Supervising Program Administrator
Roseryn Bhudsabourg, Program Administrator
Raymond Fields, Project Manager
Mark Bilski, Senior Management Analyst

A Santa Clara Valley Water District Regular Environmental Creek Cleanup Meeting has been scheduled to occur at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 21, 2023 in the Headquarters Building Boardroom located at the Santa Clara Valley Water District, 5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose.

Members of the public may join the meeting via Zoom Teleconference at: https://valleywater.zoom.us/j/88314500886.

The meeting agenda and corresponding materials are located on our website: https://www.valleywater.org/how-we-operate/committees/board-committees.
Santa Clara Valley Water District
Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee Meeting

Headquarters Building Boardroom
5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, CA 95118

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SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, February 21, 2023
2:00 PM

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

BOARD COMMITTEE MEMBERS:
Committee Chair:
Director Richard P. Santos, District 3
Committee Member:
Director Rebecca Eisenberg, District 7
Director Jim Beall, District 4

Committee Liaison:
Jennifer Codianne

Committee Clerk:
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Assistant Deputy Clerk II
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Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee

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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: Members of the public who wish to address the Committee on any item not listed on the agenda should access the "Raise Hand" tool located in Zoom meeting link listed on the agenda. Speakers will be acknowledged by the Committee Chair in order requests are received and granted speaking access to address the Committee. Speakers comments should be limited to three 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. **ELECTION OF OFFICERS:**

February 21, 2023
3.1. Elect 2023 Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee Officers.  
(Continued from January 17, 2023.)
Recommendation: Nominate and elect the 2023 Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee Chairperson and Vice Chairperson.
Manager: Candice Kwok-Smith, 408-630-3193
Est. Staff Time: 5 Minutes

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

4.1. Approval of the January 17, 2023 Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee Meeting Minutes.
Recommendation: Approve the minutes.
Manager: Candice Kwok-Smith, 408-630-3193
Attachments: Attachment 1: 011723 ECCC Minutes
Est. Staff Time: 5 Minutes

5. REGULAR AGENDA:

5.1. Receive Updates on Valley Water’s Encampment Cleanup Operations.
Recommendation: Receive updates and provide feedback on the following topics:
A. Encampment cleanup schedule.
B. Encampment cleanup costs and funding.
C. Recent encampment cleanups.
D. Fence repairs update.
E. Effort to Map Valley Water Lands for Interim Housing.
F. Comprehensive Services MOA with City of San Jose.
G. Creek Safety Issues Report.
H. Update from Sergeant Scott Williams, Special Operations - Street Crimes Unit.
Manager: Jennifer Codianne, 408-630-3876
Attachments: Attachment 1: PowerPoint
Est. Staff Time: 15 Minutes

5.2. Receive Information on the Potential for Valley Water to Offer Portable Toilet Facilities in Heavily Encamped Creek Areas.
Recommendation: Receive information on the potential for Valley Water to offer portable toilet facilities in heavily encamped creek areas and provide recommendations to staff.
Manager: Jennifer Codianne, 408-630-3876
Attachments: Attachment 1: Site Maps
Est. Staff Time: 10 Minutes
5.3. Review 2023 Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee Work Plan.

**Recommendation:**

A. Review the 2023 Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee Work Plan, and make adjustments as necessary; and

B. Confirm date and time of next Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee meeting.

**Manager:** Candice Kwok-Smith, 408-630-3193

**Attachments:** [Attachment 1: ECCC 2023 Work Plan](#)

**Est. Staff Time:** 5 Minutes

6. **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.*

7. **ADJOURN:**

7.1. Adjourn to Regular Meeting at 2:00 p.m., on April 18, 2023.
COMMITTEE AGENDA MEMORANDUM
Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee

Government Code § 84308 Applies: Yes ☐ No ☒
(If “YES” Complete Attachment A)

SUBJECT:
Elect 2023 Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee Officers.  
(Continued from January 17, 2023.)

RECOMMENDATION:
Nominate and elect the 2023 Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee Chairperson and Vice Chairperson.

SUMMARY:
The Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee was established to discuss homelessness and encampment issues, and bring discussion and recommendations back to the Board.

The Committee is comprised of the Committee Chairperson and Vice Chairperson, who serve as the Committee’s primary and secondary facilitators, and Committee representatives. The Committee Chairperson and Vice Chairperson are elected by the Committee annually.

The following is a summary of the Homeless Encampment Committee officer terms since the Committee’s 2017 enactment by the Board of Directors.

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ATTACHMENTS:
None.

UNCLASSIFIED MANAGER:
Candice Kwok-Smith, 408-630-3193
COMMITTEE AGENDA MEMORANDUM
Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee

Government § 84308 Applies: Yes ☐ No ☒
(If “YES” Complete Attachment A)

SUBJECT:
Approval of the January 17, 2023 Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee Meeting Minutes.

RECOMMENDATION:
Approve the 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: 011723 ECCC Meeting Minutes

UNCLASSIFIED MANAGER:
Candice Kwok-Smith, 408-630-3193
1. CALL TO ORDER.

A regular meeting of the Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water) Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee (Committee) was held on January 17, 2023, in the Headquarters Building Boardroom at the Santa Clara Valley Water District, 5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, California and by Zoom teleconference at 2:02 p.m.

1.1 Roll Call.

Committee members in attendance were District 1 Director John L. Varela, District 2 Director Barbara F. Keegan, and District 3 Director Richard P. Santos, Chairperson presiding, constituting a quorum of the Committee.

Staff members in attendance were: Lisa Bankosh, Ricardo Barajas, Audrey Beaman, Mark Bilski, Rechelle Blank, Roseryn Bhudsabourg, Kathy Bradley, Glenna Brambill, Rick Callender, Jennifer Codianne, Ray Fields, Meenakshi Ganjoo, Rachael Gibson, Nick Ingram, Michele King, Loyd Kinsworthy, Candice Kwok-Smith, Emelia Lamas, Jay Lee, Marta Lugo, Robert Marmito, Shanika Medina, Tony Mercado, Nicole Merritt, Rene Moreno, Carlos Orellana, James Randol, Melanie Richardson, Don Rocha, Ronald Snyder, Ryan Tregoning, Sherilyn Tran, Jose Villarreal, and Beckie Zisser.

Guests in attendance were: Director Jim Beall (District 4), Todd Langton (Agape Silicon Valley & Coalition for the Unhoused of Silicon Valley), Ray Solick, (Seeds of Hope), Jamie Marcil and Ed Ramirez (Beautify San Jose), Omar Passons (City of San Jose), and Katja Irvin (Sierra Club-Loma Prieta Chapter).

Public in attendance were: John Davis, Deb K, and Shaunn.

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

Chairperson Santos declared time open for public comment on any item not on the agenda.

Don Rocha reported Valley Water’s Safe, Clean Water Grants and Partnership program is currently accepting applications for the standard grant cycle with grant funding of $1.4
million available to support water conservation, wildlife habitat restoration projects, access to trails and open space, pollution prevention, volunteer creek cleanups and education.

Ray Solick and Todd Langton recently appointed to the City of San Jose’s Unhoused Task Force, informed the Committee of possible options of permanent and transitional housing developments and support services for chronically unhoused individuals.

John Davis expressed support for creating housing developments for unhoused veterans.

3. **ELECTION OF OFFICERS:**

3.1. Elect 2023 Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee Officers.

Recommendation: Nominate and elect the 2023 Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee Chairperson and Vice Chairperson.

The Committee deferred Item 3.1 to the next meeting.

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

4.1. Approval of October 18, 2022 Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee Meeting Minutes.

Recommendation: Approve the minutes.

The Committee considered the attached minutes of the October 18, 2022 Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee meeting. It was moved by Director Keegan, seconded by Director Varela, and approved as presented.

5. **ACTION ITEMS:**

5.1. Updates on Valley Water’s Encampment Cleanup Operations.

Recommendation: Receive updates and provide feedback on the following topics:
   A. Encampment cleanup schedule.
   B. Encampment cleanup costs and funding.
   C. Creek Safety Issues Report.
   D. Recent encampment cleanups.
   E. Fence repairs update.
   F. Creekside property owner outreach.
   G. Heavily Encamped Creek Reaches.
   H. Outreach Services MOA with Santa Clara County

Jennifer Codianne, reviewed the information on this item, per the attached Committee agenda memo, and per the information contained in Attachment 1.

The Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee noted the following without formal action:
   - Regular report on creek safety issues, including recent statistics from the San José Police Department’s Stream Stewardship Law Enforcement program and Coyote Creek Trail Patrol.
• Discussion of recent cleanups along West Branch Llagas Creek from Monterey Road to Highway 152, along Los Gatos Creek from Bascom Avenue to Leigh Avenue, and along Coyote Creek from downstream of Berryessa Avenue to Granite Rock.
• GIS map showing footprint of heavily encamped reaches of creek countywide.
• Recommendation to not proceed with MOA with Santa Clara County due to limited encampments outside of the City of San Jose and unreasonable indemnification provision.

Public Comments:
Shaunn expressed support for providing trash pick-up services and porta potties and more agencies working together to create solution to assist the unhoused.

Jamie Marcil reported that the City of San Jose had success with providing porta potties and handwashing stations for the unhoused but experienced an increase in illegal dumping around the trash pickup areas.

The Committee requested the following without taking formal action:

• Receive a report regarding trail enforcement statistics and their impact on the utilizations of trails and their impact on the public's safety concerns;
• Receive an analysis reflecting the impact of environmental, social, and budget costs for the cleanups associated with the unhoused population; and
• Continue ongoing discussions regarding toilet facilities for the unhoused at future meetings.

5.2. Receive Information on the Proposed Valley Water Clean Camps, Clean Creeks Program and Provide Recommendations to Staff.

Recommendation: Receive information on the proposed Valley Water Clean Camps, Clean Creeks Program and provide Recommendations to staff.

Jennifer Codianne reviewed the information on this item, per the attached Committee agenda memo.

The Committee noted the following without taking formal action:

• Potential benefits of a Valley Water Clean Camps, Clean Creeks Program
• Survey of Potential Program Models
• Consideration of Program Costs
• Program Options

Public comments:
Jamie Marcil reported Cash for Trash is the most successful program in Beautify San Jose while collecting over 120 tons of trash in the past two quarters.

John Davis expressed concern regarding the porta potties negatively
affecting the creek banks and the environment; and requested Valley Water to work on solutions that focus on keeping the creeks and environment safe and clean.

Shaunn expressed opposition to not allowing porta potties for the unhoused; requested all rewards programs to be offered to all the unhoused; requested to not have the police involved to encourage program participation; reported the unhoused did not receive Federal Emergency Management Agency assistance and evacuation centers were at capacity during the recent flooding; and requested housing be put in place that do not shuffle the unhoused from place to place that are dry and safe while protecting nature.

The Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee requested the following without taking formal action:

- Staff to research new ideas and concepts of reducing debris in waterways while building relationships with the unhoused;
- Staff to pursue new Field Operations Administrator position to assist with running Clean Camps, Clean Creeks Program; and
- Receive a recent flood report reflecting impacts on the unhoused.

5.3. Receive Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee 2022 Accomplishments Report.

Recommendation: Receive and accept the Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee 2022 Accomplishments Report.

Glenna Brambill reviewed the information on this item, per the attached Committee agenda memo and per the information contained in Attachment 1.

The Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee discussed and requested the following without taking formal action:

- Received confirmation of no current outreach negotiations with the County regarding the Memorandum of Agreement.
- Reaching out to County representatives for future attendance for Committee meetings and collaborations;

Public Comments:
John Davis expressed support to build transitional housing on available County land and noted the importance of obtaining the County’s input on this matter.

Shaunn expressed opposition to building housing at the fairgrounds due to the potential of mixing volatile unhoused groups, isolation of the unhoused from the community, and lack of access to support services.

5.4. Review 2022 and 2023 Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee Work Plan and 2023 Meeting Schedule.

Recommendation: A. Review the 2023 Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee Work Plan and make adjustments as necessary; and

B. Confirm date and time of next environmental Creek Cleanup Committee meeting.
The Committee confirmed to meet more frequently starting in February 2023.

6. CLERK REVIEW AND CLARIFICATION OF COMMITTEE REQUESTS.
   None.

7. ADJOURN.
   Chairperson Santos adjourned the meeting at 3:14 p.m., to the next special meeting on February 21, 2023.

Nicole Merritt
Assistant Deputy Clerk II

Approved:
COMMITTEE AGENDA MEMORANDUM
Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee

Government Code § 84308 Applies: Yes ☐ No ☒
(If “YES” Complete Attachment A - Gov. Code § 84308)

SUBJECT: Receive Updates on Valley Water’s Encampment Cleanup Operations.

RECOMMENDATION:
Receive updates and provide feedback on the following topics:

A. Encampment cleanup schedule.
B. Encampment cleanup costs and funding.
C. Recent encampment cleanups.
D. Fence repairs update.
E. Effort to Map Valley Water Lands for Interim Housing.
F. Comprehensive Services MOA with City of San Jose.
G. Creek Safety Issues Report.
H. Update from Sergeant Scott Williams, Special Operations - Street Crimes Unit.

SUMMARY:
Staff will brief the Committee and provide up-to-date information on issues related to encampment cleanups:

A. **Encampment Cleanup Schedule**: Discussion of currently scheduled encampment cleanups.
B. **Encampment Cleanup Costs & Funding**: Update on Fiscal Year 2023 cleanup expenditures and a prior-year comparison.
C. **Recent Encampment Cleanups**: Discussion of recent cleanups along Guadalupe River from Blossom Hill Road to Branham Lane, along Sunnyvale East downstream of Wolfe Road and along Coyote Creek downstream of Berryessa Avenue.
D. **Fence Repairs Update**: Regular update on Valley Water’s fencing repairs and recent repair work on Sunnyvale East downstream of Wolfe Road and Guadalupe River upstream of Capitol Expwy.
E. Effort to Map Valley Water Lands for Interim Housing: GIS staff have created a web map showing Valley Water lands that lie outside of the 100 Year FEMA Floodplain that could be used for interim housing. The Lands Management Unit is currently creating an inventory of these lands that can be shared with cities and the County for their consideration.

F. Comprehensive Services MOA with San Jose: Negotiating draft MOA with City of San José to provide outreach services, vehicle towing, temporary housing, and relocation of encampments within the Coyote Creek Flood Mitigation Measures Project.

G. Creek Safety Issues Report: Regular report on creek safety issues, including recent statistics from the San José Police Department’s Stream Stewardship Law Enforcement program and Coyote Creek Trail Patrol.

H. Update from Sergeant Scott Williams, Special Operations - Street Crimes Unit: The primary mission of Street Crimes is to improve the quality of life in neighborhoods throughout the City of San José (City), with an emphasis on areas that are most impacted by nuisance crime problems, including but not limited to illegal drug activity, trespass violations, prostitution, vandalism, blighted property, and other related crimes. Street Crimes Unit members utilize a combination of Community Policing, high-visibility uniformed patrols, plainclothes enforcement, and bicycle patrols to proactively seek out and prevent criminal activity. Street Crimes Unit members are expected to work collaboratively with other City Departments, businesses and community organizations as needed with an emphasis on education and the connection of City services.

ATTACHMENTS:
Attachment 1: PowerPoint

UNCLASSIFIED MANAGER:
Jennifer Codianne, 408-630-3876
Encampment Cleanup Update
49.49 Tons Removed January 17– February 2
Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee
February 21, 2023
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## Encampment Cleanup Costs & Funding

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Guadalupe River – Blossom Hill Road to Branham Lane

Accomplishment:
• 14.9 Tons Removed
• 19.56 Acres
Sunnyvale East – D/S Wolfe Road

Accomplishment:
• 11.31 Tons Removed
• 0.50 Acres
Coyote Creek – D/S Berryessa Avenue

Accomplishment:
- 12.30 Tons Removed
- 2.0 Acres
Fence Repairs

- Fence repairs completed by Watersheds Operations and Maintenance staff.
- Fence Repair AVW requests responded to within 24 hours, work completed on average of 5 business days.
- 440 LF installed.
Effort to Map Valley Water Lands for Interim Housing
Comprehensive Services MOA with CSJ

• Staff currently negotiating Comprehensive Services MOA:
  • Provide outreach services, vehicle towing, temporary housing and relocation of unhoused persons within the Coyote Creek Flood Mitigation Measures Project.
  • MOA is scheduled to go to City Council in late March.
  • Encampment relocation & cleanup scheduled in May.
  • CCFMM Project will be handed over to contractor June 1.
Safety Issues: Coyote Creek Trail Patrol

- **December 2022 Statistics:** 1 arrest made, 12 warrant arrests, 19 criminal citations, 2 traffic citations, 0 parking citations, 29 impounds, 56 unhoused assistance contacts & 161 citizen contacts.

- **January 2023 Statistics:** 4 arrests made, 10 warrant arrests, 27 criminal citations, 0 traffic citations, 1 parking citation, 25 impounds 77 unhoused assistance contacts & 217 citizen contacts.
Stream Stewardship Law Enforcement: (SSLE)

• **December 2022 Statistics:** No SSLE patrols due to SJPD staffing/scheduling issues.

• **January 13, 23 Statistics:** 1 arrest; 14 citations; 3 warrants associated to the individuals arrested/cited.

• **January 20, 23 Statistics:** 6 arrests; 3 citations; 12 warrants associated to the individuals arrested/cited; one arrest was for a felon in possession of a firearm along Guadalupe Creek.
Special Operations - Street Crimes Unit

• Mission of the Street Crimes Unit is to improve the quality of life in San Jose neighborhoods.

• Utilize a combination of Community Policing, high-visibility uniformed patrols, plainclothes enforcement, and bicycle patrols.

• Work collaboratively with other City Departments, businesses and community.
QUESTIONS
Valley Water

Clean Water • Healthy Environment • Flood Protection
SUBJECT: Receive Information on the Potential for Valley Water to Offer Portable Toilet Facilities in Heavily Encamped Creek Areas.

RECOMMENDATION: Receive information on the potential for Valley Water to offer portable toilet facilities in heavily encamped creek areas and provide recommendations to staff.

SUMMARY: At the January 17, 2023, meeting of the Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee, the Committee requested that staff explore the potential for providing portable toilet facilities on Valley Water property for use by unhoused campers.

Currently, the City of San José provides rented portable toilets and handwashing stations for unhoused residents at its Services, Outreach, Assistance and Resources (SOAR) program sites throughout San José. At one point the City provided nearly 120 portable toilet units, but the current number is closer to 80. Deployment of these facilities has been considered successful and City staff believe these are effective tools to help reduce environmental pollution from biological waste. While it is expected that Valley Water’s provision of portable toilets might reduce the amount of encampment-generated human waste that enters the waterways, one potential downside is the possibility that providing this service may act as a draw that results in even more encampments near some creeks. In this way, Valley Water could experience an unintended consequence of larger amounts of trash and debris due to the potential increase in the number of encampments on its land.

Valley Water staff gathered information about City of San José’s efforts and have identified 20 Valley Water-owned sites that could most benefit from the presence of portable toilets (see Attachment 1). Valley Water estimates that around 760 acres of its lands are impacted by encampment activity; because of this it would be impracticable to provide toilet facilities in every location where they may be needed. The proposed sites were identified as having the greatest need while also providing the necessary access for contractors to come in and service the toilets. Staff would recommend a total of
32 portable toilet units across the 20 sites.

If Valley Water were to proceed in providing portable toilets with hand sanitizer stations, the costs would consist of daily rental fees (which includes daily service), estimated at $55.00 per toilet per day, plus any actual costs to replace damaged toilets. Intentional damage to the toilets is a real concern--City staff have cited frequent instances of damage, vandalism, theft, or misuse as trash receptacles. With staff’s proposal of 32 units, the estimated rental cost would be more than $53,000 per month, or close to $643,000 annually irrespective of any cost to replace damaged units. Annual replacement costs for damaged units is estimated to be $15,000 based on discussion with City staff.

The sites would also require oversight by a Valley Water employee to ensure cleaning services are performed and sites remain in good condition, which may require the addition of a new fulltime position. It is possible this new position could support both this program and the Clean Camps, Clean Creeks initiative currently under consideration. At the present time, Valley Water does not have any budget allocated for provision of these services.

ATTACHMENTS:
Attachment 1: Site Maps

UNCLASSIFIED MANAGER:
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Attachment 1: Proposed Valley Water Site Locations for Portable Toilet Facilities

Guadalupe River – Blossom Hill to Branham

2 sites – 4 Portable Toilet Units
Guadalupe River – Alma to Willow

1 Site – 1 Portable Toilet Unit
Los Gatos Creek – Bascom to Meridian

2 Sites – 4 Portable Toilet Units
Upper Penitencia Creek – Jackson Ave to Capitol Ave

2 Sites – 2 Portable Toilet Units
Coyote Creek – Julian St to Hwy 101

1 Site – 2 Portable Toilet Units
Lower Silver Creek – King Rd to Hwy 101

1 Site – 1 Portable Toilet Unit
Lower Silver Creek – San Antonio to Kammerer

1 Site – 2 Portable Toilet Units
Lower Silver Creek – Capitol Expy to
1 Site – 1 Portable Toilet Unit
Thompson Creek – Quimby Rd to Aborn Rd

2 Sites – 4 Portable Toilet Units
Saratoga Creek – Prospect Rd to Bollinger Rd

1 Site – 1 Portable Toilet Unit
Saratoga Creek – Homestead Rd to Kiley Blvd

1 Site – 1 Portable Toilet Unit
Calabazas Creek – El Camino Real to Warburton Ave

1 Site – 1 Portable Toilet Unit
Calabazas Creek – Mission College Blvd to Tasman Dr

1 Site – 1 Portable Toilet Unit
West Branch Llagas Creek – Monterey Rd to Murray Ave

1 Site – 3 Portable Toilet Units
West Branch Llagas Creek – Murry Ave to Leavesley Rd

1 Site – 2 Portable Toilet Units
West Branch Llagas Creek – Leavesley Rd to Hwy 101

1 Site – 2 Portable Toilet Units
COMMITTEE AGENDA MEMORANDUM
Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee

Government Code § 84308 Applies: Yes ☐ No ☒
(If “YES” Complete Attachment A)

SUBJECT:
Review 2023 Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee Work Plan.

RECOMMENDATION:
A. Review the 2023 Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee Work Plan, and make adjustments as necessary; and
B. Confirm date and time of next Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee meeting.

SUMMARY:
Work Plans are created and implemented by all Board Committees to increase Committee efficiency, provide advanced public notice of intended Committee discussions, and enable staff to prepare for meetings and respond to Committee direction. Work Plans are dynamic documents managed by Committee Chairs and are subject to change. Committee Work Plans also serve to assist in the preparation of Annual Committee Accomplishments Reports.

The 2023 Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee (ECCC) Work Plan contains topics for discussion based on information from the following sources:

- Items referred to the Committee by the Board;
- Items requested by the Committee to be brought back by staff;
- Items scheduled for presentation to the full Board of Directors; and
- Items identified by staff.

The 2023 ECCC Work Plan contained in Attachment 1 is presented for the Committee’s review and to discuss and determine additional topics for discussion in 2022.

The next meeting of the ECCC is scheduled to occur on Tuesday, April 18, 2023 at 2:00 p.m., or at the call of the Committee Chair. Confirming the meeting schedule or any change to the meeting schedule is necessary to provide staff a basis for meeting planning, coordination of logistics and preparation of agenda items.
ATTACHMENTS:
Attachment 1: 2023 ECCC Work Plan

UNCLASSIFIED MANAGER:
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### 2023 ENVIRONMENTAL CREEK CLEANUP COMMITTEE WORKPLAN

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