



## **Santa Clara Valley Water District Santa Clara Valley Water Commission Meeting**

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### **REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

**Wednesday, April 9, 2025  
12:00 PM**

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

COMMISSION:  
Hon. Pete Daily, Chairperson  
Hon. Karen Hardy, Vice Chairperson

BOARD REPRESENTATIVES:  
Chairperson Tony Estremera  
Vice Chairperson Richard Santos  
Director Nai Hsueh

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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.**

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**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**



- 3.1. Approval of January 22, 2025 Santa Clara Valley Water Commission Minutes. [25-0309](#)  
Recommendation: Approve the minutes.  
Manager: Candice Kwok-Smith, 408-630-3193  
Attachments: [Attachment 1: 01222025 WC Minutes](#)  
Est. Staff Time: 5 Minutes

#### 4. REGULAR AGENDA:

- 4.1. Review Proposed Fiscal Year 2025-26 Groundwater Production Charges and Provide Feedback. [25-0325](#)  
Recommendation: Review proposed Fiscal Year 2025-26 Groundwater Production Charges and provide feedback.  
Manager: Darin Taylor, 408-630-3068  
Attachments: [Attachment 1: PowerPoint](#)  
Est. Staff Time: 45 Minutes
- 4.2. Receive an Overview of the Water Conservation Program. [25-0274](#)  
Recommendation: Receive an overview of the Water Conservation Program.  
Manager: Kirsten Struve, 408-630-3138  
Attachments: [Attachment 1: PowerPoint](#)  
[Attachment 2: Water Conservation Flyer](#)  
Est. Staff Time: 45 Minutes
- 4.3. Receive Report regarding Valley Water's Role in Emergency Preparedness and Response. [25-0315](#)  
Recommendation: Receive report regarding Valley Water role in emergency preparedness and response.  
Manager: Alexander Gordon, 408-630-2637  
Attachments: [Attachment: PowerPoint](#)  
Est. Staff Time: 45 Minutes
- 4.4. Review 2025 Santa Clara Valley Water Commission Work Plan, the Outcomes of Board Action of Commission Requests; and the Commission's Next Meeting Agenda. [25-0334](#)  
Recommendation: Review the Commission work plan to guide the commission's discussions regarding policy alternatives and implications for Board deliberation.  
Manager: Candice Kwok-Smith, 408-630-3193  
Attachments: [Attachment 1: Water Commission 2025 Work Plan](#)

**5. 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.*

**6. REPORTS:**

6.1. Directors Report

6.2. Managers Report

6.3. Committee Member Report

6.4. Information Links:

<https://www.valleywater.org/how-we-operate/committees/board-committees>

- *Board Policy and Monitoring Committee (BPMC) - formerly Board Policy and Planning Committee & Diversity and Inclusion Ad Hoc Committee*

- *Environmental Creek Cleanup Committee (ECCC) - formerly Homeless Encampment Committee*

- *Water Supply and Demand Management (WSDM) - formerly Water Storage Exploratory Committee & Water Conservation & Demand Management Committee*

- *Water Tracker:*

<https://www.valleywater.org/your-water/water-supply-planning/monthly-water-tracker>

**7. ADJOURN:**

7.1. Adjourn. The next Regular Meeting is 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 23, 2025.



# Santa Clara Valley Water District

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**File No.:** 25-0309

**Agenda Date:** 4/9/2025  
**Item No.:** 3.1.

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## **COMMITTEE AGENDA MEMORANDUM Santa Clara Valley Water Commission**

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

### **SUBJECT:**

Approval of January 22, 2025 Santa Clara Valley Water Commission 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.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE AND EQUITY IMPACT:**

The approval of minutes is not subject to environmental justice and equity analysis.

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment 1: 01222025 WC Minutes.

### **UNCLASSIFIED MANAGER:**

Candice Kwok-Smith, 408-630-3193

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SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER COMMISSION MEETING

# DRAFT MINUTES

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**REGULAR MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2025**  
**12:00 PM**

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(Paragraph numbers coincide with agenda item numbers)

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

A regular meeting of the Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water) Santa Clara Valley Water Commission (Commission) was called to order by Hon. Vice Chairperson Candelas in the Valley Water Headquarters Building Boardroom at 5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, California, and by Zoom teleconference, at 12:07 p.m.

A quorum of 11 was established of Commission members present in person.

1.1 Roll Call.

**Members in attendance were:**

**Municipality**

**Representative**

**Alternate**

City of Campbell

Hon. Member Terry Hines

City of Cupertino

Hon. Member Lian Chao

City of Los Altos

Hon. Member Pete Daily

Town of Los Gatos

Hon. Member Rob Rennie

City of Mountain View

Hon. Member Lucas Ramirez

City of Palo Alto

Hon. Member Keith Reckdahl

City of San José

Hon. Member Domingo Candelas

City of Santa Clara

Hon. Member Karen Hardy

City of Saratoga

Hon. Member Chuck Page (Late)

City of Sunnyvale

Hon. Member Murali Srinivasan

County of Santa Clara

Hon. Member Sylvia Arenas (Late)

Open Space Authority

Santa Clara Valley

Hon. Member Calvin Gill

Midpeninsula Regional

Open Space District

Hon. Member Jed Cyr

**Members not in attendance were:**

<b><u>Municipality</u></b>	<b><u>Representative</u></b>	<b><u>Alternate</u></b>
City of Campbell		Hon. Member Elliot Scozzola
City of Cupertino		Hon. Member Kitty Moore
City of Gilroy	Hon. Member Dion Bracco	Hon. Member Terence Fugazzi
City of Los Altos Hills	Hon. Member Stanley Mok	
Town of Los Gatos		Hon. Member Maria Ristow
City of Milpitas	Hon. Member Carmen Montano	Hon. Member Gary Barbadillo
City of Monte Sereno	Hon. Member Lisa Shannon	Hon. Member Bryan Mekechuk
City of Morgan Hill	Hon. Member Yvonne Martinez-Beltran	
City of Mountain View		Hon. Member Pat Showalter
City of Palo Alto		Hon. Member Vicki Veenker
City of San José		Hon. Member Lori Mitchell
City of Santa Clara		Hon. Member Suds Jain
City of Saratoga		Hon. Member Tina Walia
City of Sunnyvale	Hon. Member Alysa Cisneros	
County of Santa Clara		Hon. Member Betty Dương
Open Space Auth. SCV	Hon. Member Mike Flaughner	
Midpeninsula Regional OSA		Hon. Member Yoriko Kishimoto

Valley Water Board Representatives in attendance were Vice Chairperson Richard Santos (District 3) and Director John Varela (District 1). Director Nai Hsueh (District 5) arrived at 12:39 p.m. during Item 4.3.

Staff members in attendance were: Gina Adriano, Aaron Baker, Roseryn Bhudsabourg, Rita Chan, Enrique De Anda, Gavin Downs, Rachael Gibson, Andrew Gschwind, Candice Kwok-Smith, Emelia Lamas, Nicole Merritt, Carmen Narayanan, Max Overland, Michelle San Miguel, Desiree Sausele, Stephanie Simunic, Kirsten Struve, Darin Taylor, Jing Wu, and Genevieve Yip.

Public in attendance were: Valley Water Director Rebecca Eisenberg (District 7), Elizabeth Flegel, Katja Irvin, (Sierra Club), Victoria Lam, (County of Santa Clara), Larry Lang, Nancy Le, Brendan McCarthy, and Tee.

- 2. TIME OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY ITEM NOT ON THE AGENDA:**  
Vice Chairperson Candelas declared time open for public comment on any item not on the agenda. There was no one who wished to speak.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- 3.1. Approval of October 23, 2024 Santa Clara Valley Water Commission Meeting Minutes.

Recommendation: Approve the minutes.

The Commission considered the attached minutes of the October 23, 2024 meeting.

Public Comments: None.

It was moved by Hon. Member Ramirez, seconded by Hon. Member Hardy, and carried by a vote of 10-0 to approve the October 23, 2024 Santa Clara Valley Water Commission Meeting Minutes approved as submitted. Hon. Member Gill abstained.

#### **4. REGULAR AGENDA:**

##### **4.1 Election of Chair and Vice Chair.**

Hon. Member Page nominated Hon. Member Daily for Chairperson, seconded by Hon. Member Ramirez. Hon. Vice Chairperson Candelas nominated Hon. Member Hardy for Vice Chairperson, seconded by Hon. Member Chao.

Public Comments: None

Both motions were considered concurrently and approved unanimously by a vote of 11-0.

##### **4.2. Review and Approve 2024 Annual Accomplishments Report for Presentation to the Board (Commission Chair).**

The Commission received the report without a staff presentation. Staff confirmed that an upcoming tour of the purified water plant is pending scheduling.

Public Comments: None

Hon. Member Rennie and Hon. Member Arenas arrived at 12:19 p.m.

It was moved by Hon. Member Ramirez, seconded by Hon. Member Candelas, and approved by a unanimous vote of 13-0, that the 2024 annual Accomplishments Report be presented to the Board.

##### **4.3 Receive Information and Provide Feedback on Valley Water's Development of its Water Supply Master Plan 2050.**

Jing Wu reviewed the information on this item, per the attached Commission Agenda Memo; and per the information contained in the Attachments.

Director Hsueh arrived at 12:39 p.m.

The Commission discussed the following with staff input: Valley Water

efforts to provide robust public information to cities and retailers relating to water conservation and rates, the irrigation schedule for water savings and educational material, Valley Water's drought plan that includes using historical data, Valley Water Board of Directors receiving updates on the Pacheco Reservoir Expansion project, which are published on the project's website, the ongoing Valley Water desalination feasibility project study, the Recycled Water Committee input on the Board Adopted Potable Reuse Goals of 2035, and lower cost options under strategies for water supply reliability.

Public Comments: None

The Commission received the information and took no formal action.

4.4 Review and Provide Comment to the Board on Staff's Preliminary Fiscal Year 2025 - 2026 Groundwater Production Charges.

Carmen Narayanan reviewed the information on this item, per the attached Commission Agenda Memo; and per the information contained in the Attachments.

The Commission discussed the following with staff input: Valley Water's desire to work with public officials relating to outreach regarding rate projections, the water demand, elasticity, and affordability study for Santa Clara County for next fiscal year's rate setting cycle, different geographic groundwater rates that include benefits provided within zones, updating infrastructure and climate change impacts, receipt and pursuit of grants and other funding, staff's research into the open space credit relating to agricultural water charges, water rate projections relating to debt financing, rebound rate of preliminary FY 25-26 water charges, Water Supply Master Plan 2050 projections including scenarios for annual groundwater rate setting and costs if water use increases or decreases, water portfolios, and the wholesale water costs.

Public Comments: None

Hon. Member Candelas left his seat at 1:33 p.m.

Hon. Member Arenas made requests for a separate briefing with her on Valley Water groundwater rates and information relating to staffing and efficiencies as they relate to Valley Water's budget.

The Commission received the information, took no formation action and noted concern for rate payers absorbing rate increases and how that will impact long-range rate affordability.

4.5 Review and Approve the Proposed 2025 Santa Clara Valley Water Commission Work Plan, the Outcomes of Board Action of Commission



Requests; and the Commission's Next Meeting Agenda, and Recommend the Proposed 2025 Water Commission Work Plan to the Board.

The Commission discussed the following with staff input: Valley Water's Watershed Division handles unhoused issues, the Water Resource Protection Zones Ordinance took effect last year and outreach has started to all 15 cities and the County; the Recycled Water Committee receives desalination updates that can be shared with the Commission; the July meeting can be moved to August to accommodate a Valley Water facility tour, and information relating to creek usage for trails of pedestrians and bikes to requesting Commission members.

The Committee requested that staff add the following to the 2025 work plan or include the information in an existing item:

- Information relating to flood control.
- Information relating to desalination plans within the Water Supply Master Plan 2050.
- Community outreach/messaging of groundwater rates.

It was moved by Vice Chairperson Hardy, seconded by Hon. Member Ramirez, and approved by a unanimous vote of 12-0, the Proposed 2025 Commission Work Plan, the Outcomes of Board Action of Commission Requests; the Commission's Next Meeting Agenda, and Recommend the Proposed 2025 Water Commission Work Plan to the Board.

## **5. INFORMATIONAL ITEM(S):**

### **5.1 Standing Items Report.**

Stephanie Simunic noted the materials as outlined in the agenda attachments and was available to answer questions.

Public Comments: None

The Commission received the information and took no formal action.

## **6. CLERK REVIEW AND CLARIFICATION OF COMMISSION REQUESTS:**

Stephanie Simunic confirmed the following:

- The Commission approved Hon. Member Daily as Chairperson and Hon. Member Hardy as Vice Chairperson.
- Item 4.4 was received. Hon. Member Arenas made requests for a separate briefing with her on Valley Water groundwater rates and information relating to staffing and efficiencies as they relate to Valley Water's budget.
- Item 4.5 was received with additions to the work plan.

**7. REPORTS:**

7.1. Directors Report  
No report was received.

7.2. Managers Report  
Rachael Gibson provided water bottles containing purified water from the Advanced Water Purification Center to the Commission.

7.3. Committee Member Report  
Hon. Member Hines stated that his company has a small contract for IT outsourcing services with South County Regional Wastewater Authority, also known as SCRWA.

7.4. Informational Links  
Links noted on agenda.

**8. ADJOURN**

Adjourn to Regular Meeting at 12:00 p.m. on January 22, 2025.

Chairperson Daily adjourned the meeting at 2:08 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled at 12:00 p.m. on April 9, 2025.

Stephanie Simunic,  
Assistant Deputy Clerk II

Date approved:



# Santa Clara Valley Water District

**File No.:** 25-0325

**Agenda Date:** 4/9/2025

**Item No.:** 4.1.

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## COMMITTEE AGENDA MEMORANDUM Santa Clara Valley Water Commission

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

### SUBJECT:

Review Proposed Fiscal Year 2025-26 Groundwater Production Charges and Provide Feedback.

### RECOMMENDATION:

Review proposed Fiscal Year 2025-26 Groundwater Production Charges and provide feedback.

### SUMMARY:

#### Why Groundwater Production Charges Are Necessary

The proposed groundwater production charges for FY 2025-26 are necessary to pay for ongoing operations and maintenance of the existing water utility system, investments in water supply infrastructure rehabilitation and upgrades, and new water supply reliability investments. Investing in key rehabilitation and upgrade projects and securing new water supply has resulted in a multi-year era of investment for the water utility. Investing now remains the prudent path to ensure that our water utility projects continue to do their job of providing safe, clean, and reliable water to all of Santa Clara County.

The proposed groundwater production charges for FY 2025-26 that are detailed below are necessary to (1) advance the Anderson Dam Seismic Retrofit project; (2) to fund key baseline projects such as the Rinconada Water Treatment Plant reliability improvement and the 10-year Pipeline Rehabilitation Program; (3) to participate in the B.F. Sisk Dam Raise project, which would provide additional water storage capacity, and conduct planning work related to the Pacheco Reservoir Expansion; and, (4) to pay for general inflation.

The groundwater production charge recommendations are detailed in the Annual Report on the Protection and Augmentation of Water Supplies that was filed with the Clerk of the Board on February 28, 2025. The public hearing on groundwater production charges is scheduled to open on April 8, 2025 and will continue on April 25, 2025 with a focus on South County (pending Board approval). It is anticipated that the Board would set the FY 2025-26 groundwater production charges by May 27, 2025, with an effective date of July 1, 2025.

The FY 2025-26 groundwater production charge and surface water charge setting process will be conducted consistent with the District Act, and Board resolutions 99-21 and 12-10.

### **Groundwater Production and Treated Water Charge Recommendations**

Staff proposes a 9.9% increase in the North County Zone W-2 Municipal and Industrial (M&I) groundwater production charge, from \$2,229.00 per acre foot (AF) to \$2,450.00/AF. Staff recommends making no change to the treated water surcharge on treated water delivered under the contracts with retail agencies by maintaining it at \$115/AF, and also maintaining the non-contract treated water surcharge at \$200/AF. The proposal equates to a monthly bill increase for the average household of \$7.60 or about 25 cents a day.

In the South County Zone W-5, staff proposes a 7.9% increase in the M&I groundwater production charge from \$579.00/AF to \$624.50/AF. The proposal equates to a monthly bill increase for the average household of \$1.58 or about 5 cents per day.

In the South County Zone W-7, staff proposes an 11.2% increase in the M&I groundwater production charge from \$750.50/AF to \$834.50/AF. The proposal equates to a monthly bill increase for the average household of \$2.89 or about 10 cents per day.

In the South County Zone W-8, staff proposes an 8% increase in the M&I groundwater production charge from \$430.00/AF to \$464.00/AF. The proposal equates to a monthly bill increase for the average household of \$1.18 or about 4 cents per day.

Customers in both areas of North and South County may also experience additional charge increases enacted by their retail water providers.

For agricultural groundwater users, staff proposes an increase of 8 percent from the prior year, which equates to setting the agricultural groundwater charge at 9.25 percent of the lowest M&I rate (Zone W-8). The proposed agricultural groundwater production charge in any groundwater benefit zone would change from \$39.80/AF to \$43.00/AF, or roughly a \$0.53 increase per month per acre, assuming two acre-feet of water usage per acre per year.

### **Surface Water and Recycled Water Charge Recommendations**

Staff recommends a 9.9% increase to the surface water master charge from \$61.00/AF to \$67.00/AF to align revenues with costs related to managing, operating and billing for surface water diversions. This increase results in a proposed 9.9% increase to the North County (Zone W-2) M&I surface water charge, to \$2,517.00/AF. For South County zones, staff proposes the following M&I surface water charge increases: for Zone W-5, an 8 percent increase to \$691.50/AF; for Zone W-7, an 11.1 percent increase to \$901.50/AF; for Zone W-8, an 8.1 percent increase to \$531.00/AF. Staff recommends that the total agricultural surface water charge be increased 9.1 percent in all zones, to \$110.00/AF.

For recycled water (Zone W-5), staff recommends increasing the M&I charge by 8.1 percent, to

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\$604.50/AF, and increasing the agricultural charge by 4.6 percent, to \$73.35/AF. The increase ensures cost recovery while concurrently providing an economic incentive to use recycled water. This pricing is consistent with the provisions of the “Wholesale-Retailer Agreement for Supply of Recycled Water Between Santa Clara Valley Water District and City of Gilroy.”

### **State Water Project Tax and Additional Details**

Staff recommends setting the State Water Project Tax at \$28 million for FY 2025-26. This translates to a property tax bill for the average single-family residence of roughly \$42.00 per year. This tax amount is necessary to pay for State Water Project costs. If the recommended FY 2025-26 State Water Project Tax is not approved, the impact translates to a needed increase in the M&I groundwater production charge of an additional \$162/AF in North County Zone W-2 and in South County an additional \$31/AF in Zone W-5, \$50/AF in Zone W-7 and \$31/AF in Zone W-8 in South County. The open space credit would increase by roughly \$689,316.

Santa Clara Valley Water District’s (Valley Water) 54<sup>th</sup> Annual Report on the Protection and Augmentation of Water Supplies, among other information, contains a financial analysis of the Valley Water’s water utility system and additional details about the above recommendations. This report can be found at [www.valleywater.org](http://www.valleywater.org) <<http://www.valleywater.org>>.

Staff is seeking the Commission’s feedback, or input, with regard to these proposed groundwater production charges for FY 2025-26.

A PowerPoint presentation will be provided at the meeting.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE AND EQUITY IMPACT:**

There are no Environmental Justice impacts associated with this item.

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment 1: PowerPoint

### **UNCLASSIFIED MANAGER:**

Darin Taylor, 408-630-3068

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FISCAL YEAR 2025-26

# Water Charge Recommendations

Santa Clara Valley Water Commission Meeting

Presented by:  
Carmen Narayanan, Financial Planning and Revenue Unit Manager

April 9, 2025

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# 54<sup>th</sup> Annual Report Released

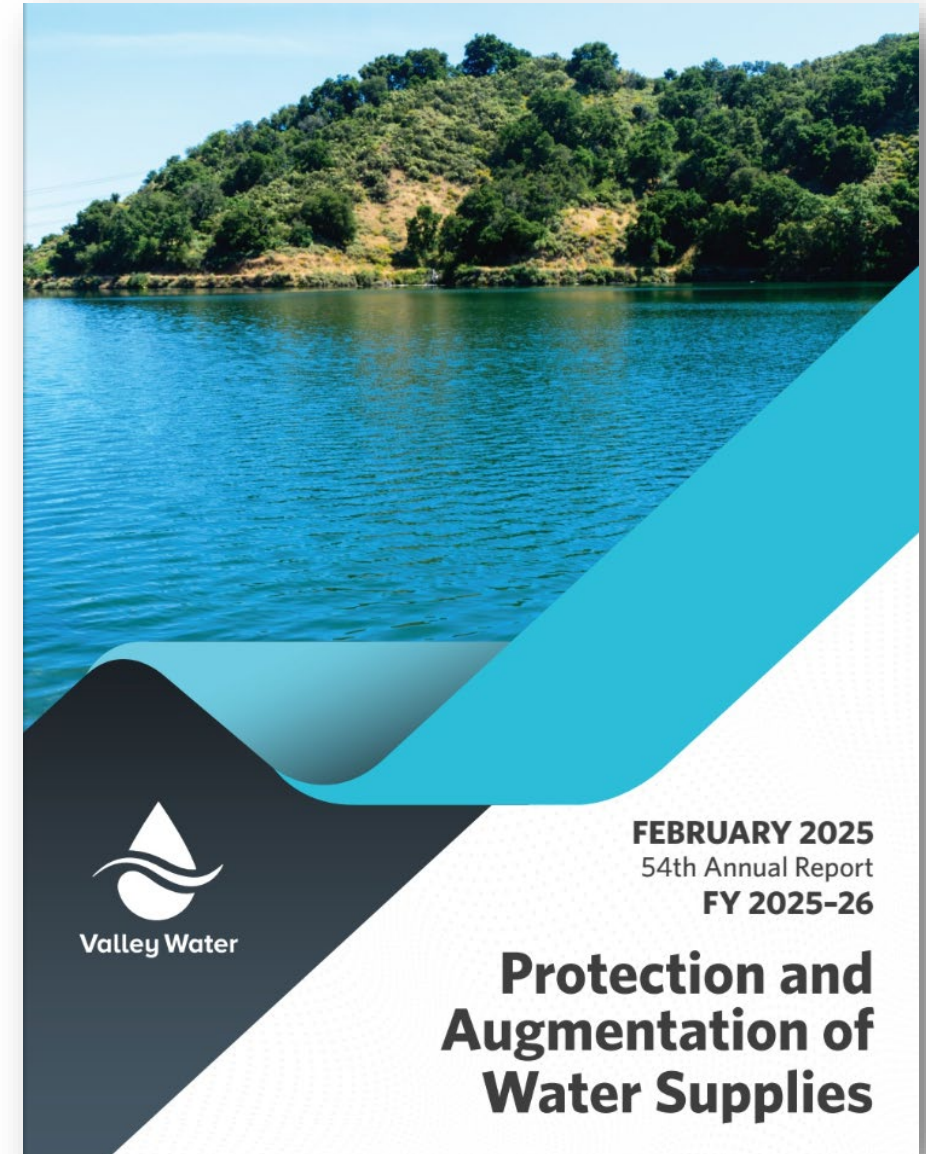
**Annual Protection and Augmentation of Water Supplies Report (PAWS) provides information & accountability**

Filed February 28, 2025

Available Online: <https://www.valleywater.org/ProposedWaterCharges>

The PAWS supports the proposed groundwater production charges for FY 2025-26, which are necessary to pay for ongoing operations and maintenance of the existing water utility system, investments in water supply infrastructure rehabilitation and upgrades, and new water supply reliability investments.

Investing now remains the prudent path to ensure that our water utility projects continue to do their job of providing safe, clean, and reliable water to all of Santa Clara County.





# A comprehensive, flexible water system serving over 2 million people

## Santa Clara Valley Water District Infrastructure



### Water Utility:

- 393 ACRES OF RECHARGE PONDS
- 142 MILES OF PIPELINES
- 10 RESERVOIRS
- 3 WATER TREATMENT PLANTS
- 3 PUMP STATIONS
- 1 WATER PURIFICATION CENTER

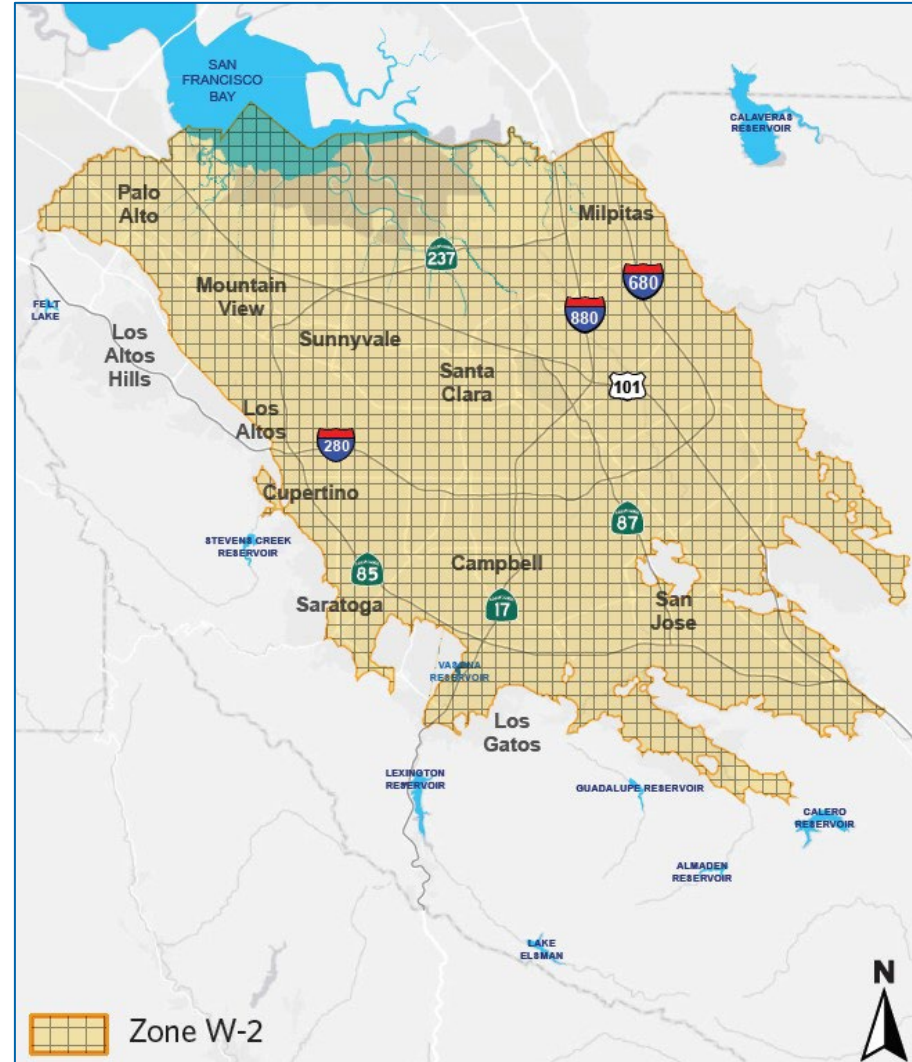
**Water Sources**  
55% Imported  
30% Local  
5% Recycled  
10% Conservation

# Valley Water Groundwater Charge Zones of Benefit

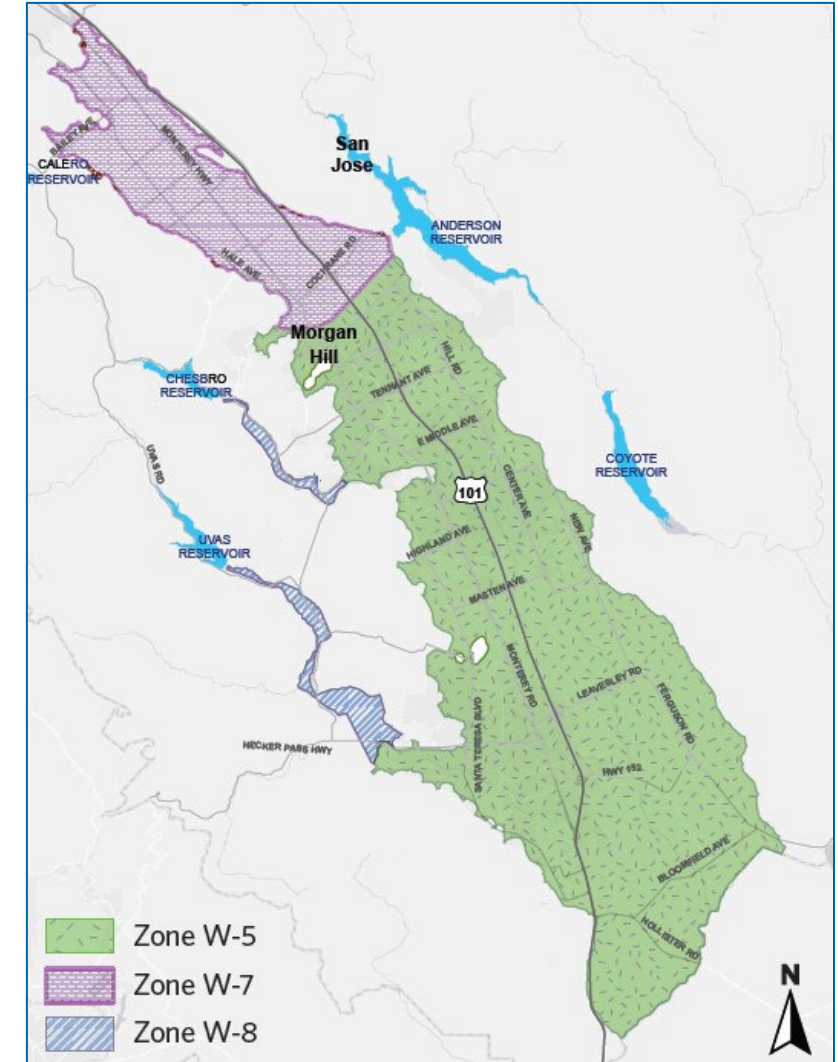
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## Board Pricing Policy Summary

- Groundwater charges are levied within a zone for benefits received
- All water sources and water facilities contribute to common benefit within a zone regardless of cost, known as “pooling” concept
  - Helps maximize effective use of available resources
- Agricultural water charge shall not exceed 10% of M&I water charge



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# Infrastructure

## DRIVES DIFFERENT GROUNDWATER PRODUCTION CHARGES IN EACH ZONE

### North County

- 3 water treatment plants
- Reservoirs –
  - Almaden
  - Calero
  - Guadalupe
  - Lexington
  - Stevens Creek
  - Vasona
- Silicon Valley Advanced Water Purification Center
- Imported Water – State Water Project

### Shared

- Reservoirs –
  - Anderson
  - Coyote
  - Pacheco
- Imported Water –
  - Central Valley Project
- *Shared facilities do not benefit Zone W-8*

### South County

- Reservoirs –
  - Chesbro
  - Uvas
    - *Does not benefit Zone W-7*
- SCRWA Recycled Water System
  - *Benefits Zone W-5 only*

# Impact of Shortage

## WHAT WOULD WATER SHORTAGE MEAN DURING A FUTURE MULTI-YEAR DROUGHT?

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Annual Water Supply Shortage in AF (6-year drought in 2050)	Moderately Impacted Imported Water in AF		Severely Impacted Imported Water in AF	
	Supply	Shortage	Supply	Shortage
High Demand: 350,000	<b>316,000</b> (19,000 GWB)	<b>34,000</b>	<b>278,000</b> (3,000 GWB)	<b>72,000</b>
Stable Demand: 330,000	<b>328,000</b> (33,000 GWB)	<b>2,000</b>	<b>282,000</b> (11,000 GWB)	<b>48,000</b>

AF: Acre Feet (1 AF equals 325,851 gallons or enough water for 10 people for an entire year)

GWB: Groundwater Banking water transfers

### During a 6-year drought in 2050:

- All four potential future conditions **show some level of water supply shortfall.**
- Assumptions: Reliance on existing supplies and infrastructure only & water conservation goals are met, including short- term drought reductions. Future supply and demand conditions may vary.

# Impact of Shortage

## COMMUNITY DISRUPTION AND POTENTIALLY STAGGERING ECONOMIC IMPACT

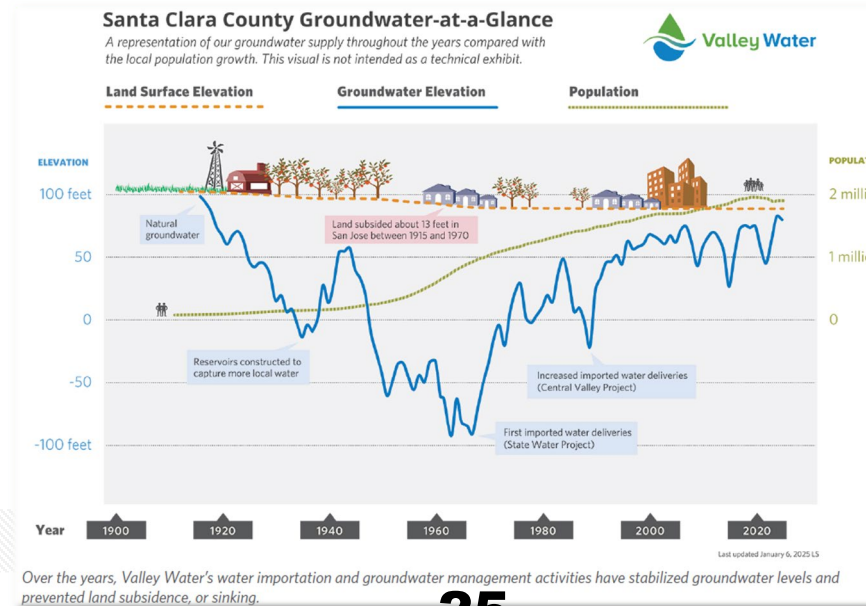
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### Potential Impacts of Lower Levels of Service:

- Quality of Life due to Water Rationing
- Economic Impact
- Irrigation for Parks & Trees
- Declining Agricultural Production
- Irreversible Subsidence

### Estimated Costs of Water Supply Shortages (2023\$):

- **Residential**     *\$1.6 – \$2.8 Billion*
- **Agricultural**     *\$220 – \$280 Million*
- **Commercial**     *\$1.2 – \$14.2 Billion*
- **Subsidence**     *Potentially Billions*



# Rate Setting Strategy for FY 2025-26

## CONSISTENT WITH WATER SUPPLY MASTER PLAN 2050

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**Reduced water use projection versus prior year rate cycle (FY 26 water use slightly lower than FY 25 budget)**

### Secure Existing Supplies and Infrastructure

- Baseline Projects <sup>1</sup>
- Anderson Dam Seismic Retrofit with WIFIA loan (up to 49% of TPC)
- Dam Safety Program for Almaden, Calero, Coyote, and Guadalupe Dams
- Master Plan Projects Placeholder <sup>2</sup>: Assumes \$377M from FY27-FY35
- SWP Tax pays for 100% of SWP costs (excludes SWP portion of Delta Conveyance)
- Delta Conveyance SWP portion continues at 3.23% <sup>3</sup>

### Expand Conservation and Reuse

- Purified Water Program with City of San Jose: Phase 1 Demonstration Facility & Phase 2 Full Scale Facility (as a placeholder)

### Increase System Reliability & Flexibility

- Pacheco Reservoir Expansion Project (PREP) with \$504M Proposition 1 grants, WIFIA loan (up to 49% of TPC) and Partnership Participation at 35% of TPC
- Sisk Dam Raise at San Luis Reservoir with around 60,000 AF Storage <sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Includes but not limited to dam seismic retrofits, Rinconada WTP reliability improvement, 10-year pipeline rehabilitation program.

<sup>2</sup> Master Plan Project Placeholder includes anticipated costs for new pipelines, pipeline rehabilitations, treatment plant upgrades & SCADA implementation projects.

<sup>3</sup> Project costs are reflected as Operations & Maintenance costs.

**Note:** Participation in the Los Vaqueros Reservoir Expansion project has been eliminated from baseline case assumptions.

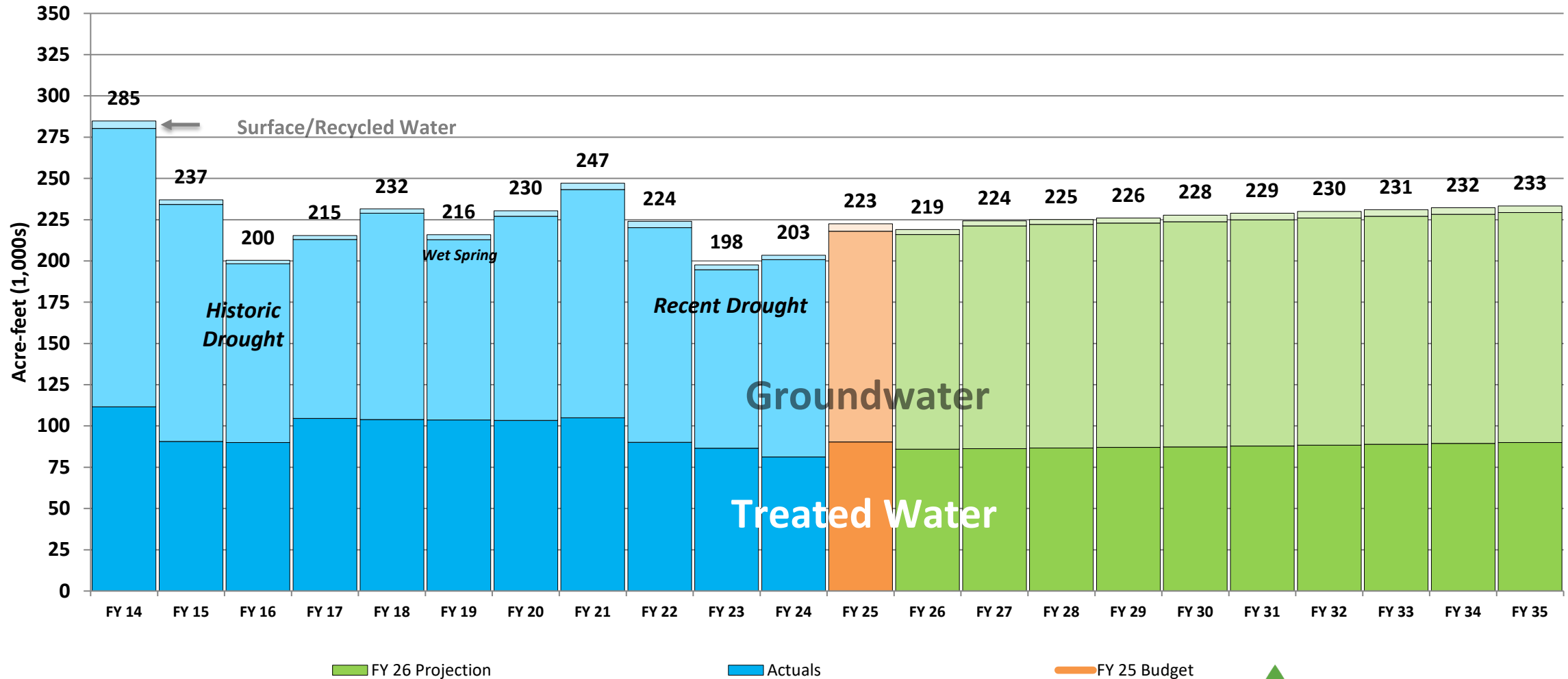
**TPC:** Total Project Cost

**SWP:** State Water Project

# District Managed Water Usage

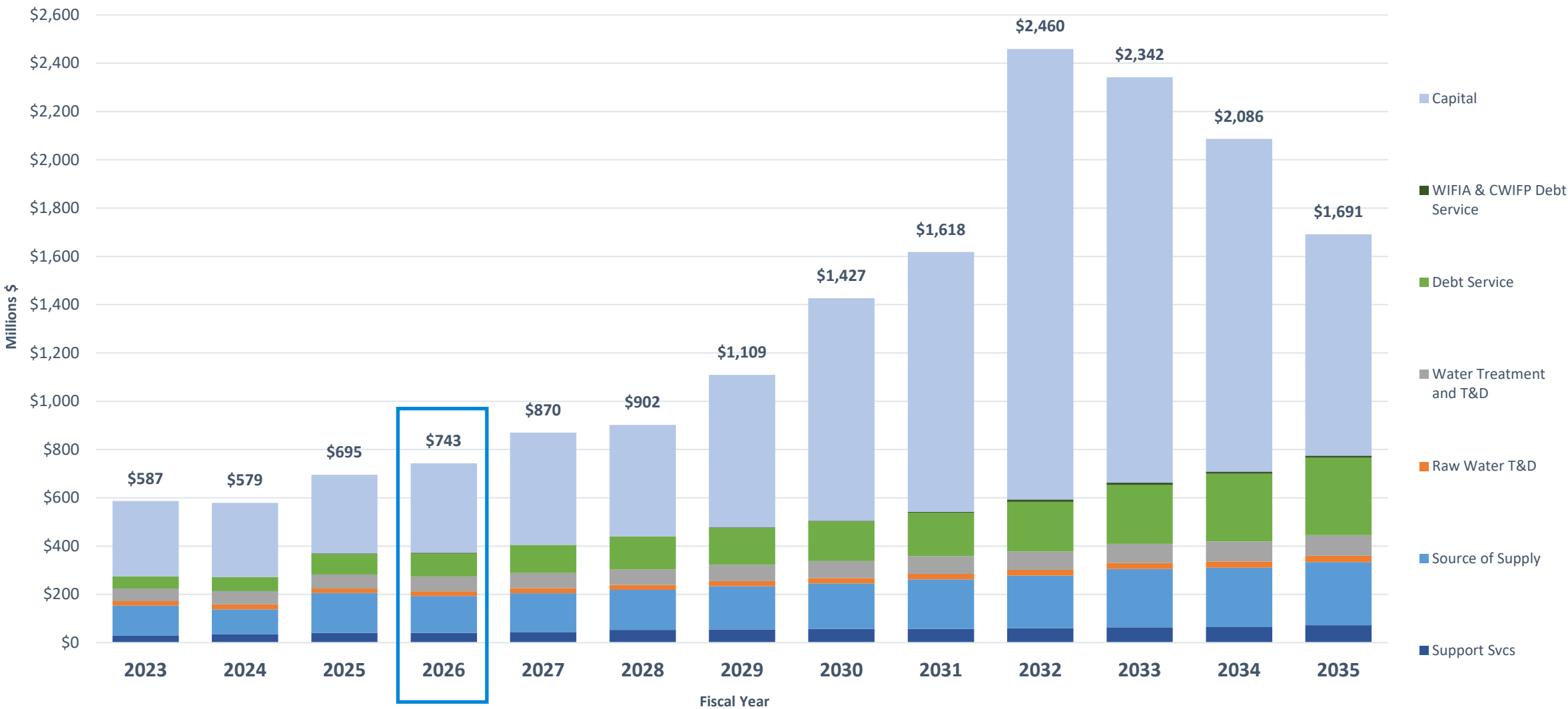
REFLECTS MORE MODERATE REBOUND FROM 2023 DROUGHT

District Managed Water Usage (TAF)



# Long Term Cost Projection

REFLECTS PERIOD OF NEEDED CAPITAL INVESTMENT



Cost Projection reflects Baseline Assumptions.



# Groundwater Charge Increase Projection

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## M&I Groundwater Charge Year to Year Growth %

Baseline Scenario	FY26	FY27	FY28	FY29	FY30	FY31	FY32	FY33	FY34	FY35
North County Zone W-2	9.9%	9.9%	9.9%	9.9%	9.9%	9.9%	9.9%	9.9%	9.9%	7.0%
Prior Year	9.9%	9.9%	9.9%	9.9%	9.9%	9.9%	9.9%	9.9%	7.0%	
South County Zone W-5	7.9%	7.9%	7.9%	7.9%	7.9%	7.9%	7.9%	7.9%	7.9%	7.9%
Prior Year	6.6%	6.6%	6.6%	6.6%	6.6%	6.6%	6.6%	6.6%	6.6%	
South County Zone W-7	11.2%	11.2%	11.2%	11.2%	11.2%	11.2%	11.2%	11.2%	11.2%	11.2%
Prior Year	14.2%	14.2%	14.2%	14.2%	14.2%	14.2%	14.2%	14.2%	14.2%	
South County Zone W-8	8.0%	8.0%	8.0%	8.0%	8.0%	8.0%	8.0%	8.0%	8.0%	8.0%
Prior Year	8.0%	8.0%	8.0%	8.0%	8.0%	8.0%	8.0%	8.0%	8.0%	

# Groundwater Charge Increase Projection

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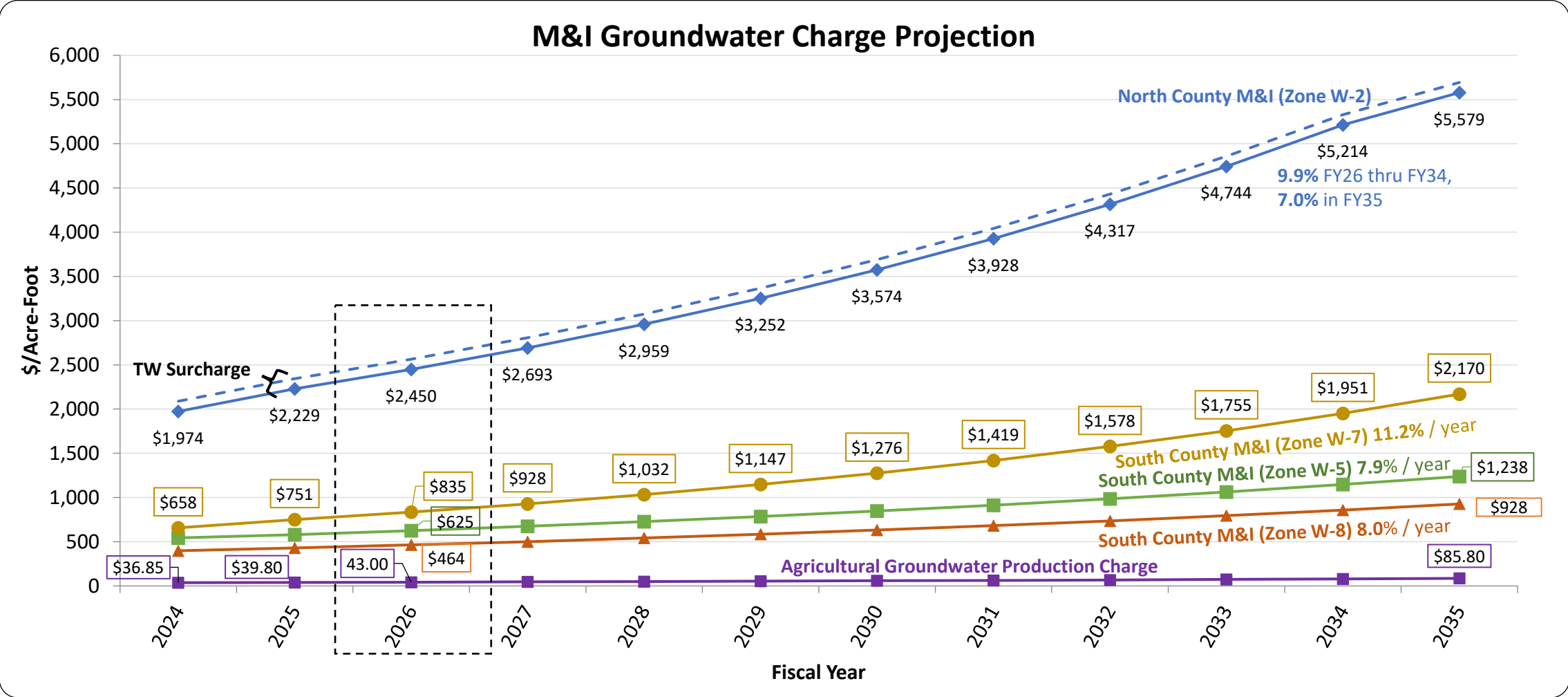
## M&I Groundwater Charge – Monthly Impact To Average Household

Baseline Scenario	FY26	FY27	FY28	FY29	FY30	FY31	FY32	FY33	FY34	FY35
North County Zone W-2	\$7.60	\$8.35	\$9.18	\$10.09	\$11.09	\$12.19	\$13.39	\$14.72	\$16.18	\$12.57
South County Zone W-5	\$1.58	\$1.70	\$1.83	\$1.98	\$2.13	\$2.30	\$2.49	\$2.68	\$2.89	\$3.12
South County Zone W-7	\$2.89	\$3.22	\$3.58	\$3.98	\$4.43	\$4.92	\$5.47	\$6.09	\$6.77	\$7.53
South County Zone W-8	\$1.18	\$1.28	\$1.38	\$1.49	\$1.61	\$1.74	\$1.88	\$2.03	\$2.19	\$2.37

*Does not include any additional increases a Retailer may add.*

# Groundwater Production Charge Projection

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# FY 2025-26 North County Zone W-2 Proposed Charges

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Zone W-2 (North County)	Dollars Per Acre Foot		
	FY 2023–24	FY 2024–25	Proposed FY 2025–26
<b>Basic User/Groundwater Production Charge</b>			
Municipal & Industrial	1,974.00	2,229.00	2,450.00
Agricultural	36.85	39.80	43.00
<b>Surface Water Charge</b>			
Surface Water Master Charge	54.00	61.00	67.00
Total Surface Water, Municipal & Industrial*	2,028.00	2,290.00	2,517.00
Total Surface Water, Agricultural*	90.85	100.80	110.00
<b>Treated Water Charges</b>			
Contract Surcharge	115.00	115.00	115.00
Total Treated Water Contract Charge**	2,089.00	2,344.00	2,565.00
Non-Contract Surcharge	200.00	200.00	200.00
Total Treated Water Non-Contract Charge***	2,174.00	2,429.00	2,650.00



\* The total surface water charge is the sum of the basic user charge (which equals the groundwater production charge) plus the water master charge

\*\* The total treated water contract charge is the sum of the basic user charge (which equals the groundwater production charge) plus the contract surcharge

\*\*\* The total treated water non-contract charge is the sum of the basic user charge (which equals the groundwater production charge) plus the non-contract surcharge

M&I Increase approximately \$7.60 per month increase to the average household user.

Note: Does not include any increase that a retailer would layer on top

# FY 2025-26 South County Zone W-5 Proposed Charges

Zone W-5 (Llagas Subbasin)	Dollars Per Acre Foot		
	FY 2023–24	FY 2024–25	Proposed FY 2025–26
<b>Basic User/Groundwater Production Charge</b>			
Municipal & Industrial	543.50	579.00	624.50
Agricultural	36.85	39.80	43.00
<b>Surface Water Charge</b>			
Surface Water Master Charge	54.00	61.00	67.00
Total Surface Water, Municipal & Industrial*	597.50	640.00	691.50
Total Surface Water, Agricultural*	90.85	100.80	110.00
<b>Recycled Water Charges</b>			
Municipal & Industrial	523.50	559.00	604.50
Agricultural	67.20	70.15	73.35



\* The total surface water charge is the sum of the basic user charge (which equals the groundwater production charge) plus the water master charge

M&I Increase approximately \$1.58 per month increase to the average household user.  
Note: Does not include any increase that a retailer would layer on top

# FY 2025-26 South County Zone W-7 Proposed Charges

Zone W-7 (Coyote Valley)	Dollars Per Acre Foot		
	FY 2023–24	FY 2024–25	Proposed FY 2025–26
Basic User/Groundwater Production Charge			
Municipal & Industrial	657.50	750.50	834.50
Agricultural	36.85	39.80	43.00
Surface Water Charge			
Surface Water Master Charge	54.00	61.00	67.00
Total Surface Water, Municipal & Industrial*	711.50	811.50	901.50
Total Surface Water, Agricultural*	90.85	100.80	110.00

M&I Increase approximately \$2.89 per month increase to the average household user.  
Note: Does not include any increase that a retailer would layer on top



\* The total surface water charge is the sum of the basic user charge (which equals the groundwater production charge) plus the water master charge

# FY 2025-26 South County Zone W-8 Proposed Charges

Zone W-8 (Uvas / Chesbro)	Dollars Per Acre Foot		
	FY 2023–24	FY 2024–25	Proposed FY 2025–26
Basic User/Groundwater Production Charge			
Municipal & Industrial	398.00	430.00	464.00
Agricultural	36.85	39.80	43.00
Surface Water Charge			
Surface Water Master Charge	54.00	61.00	67.00
Total Surface Water, Municipal & Industrial*	452.00	491.00	531.00
Total Surface Water, Agricultural*	90.85	100.80	110.00

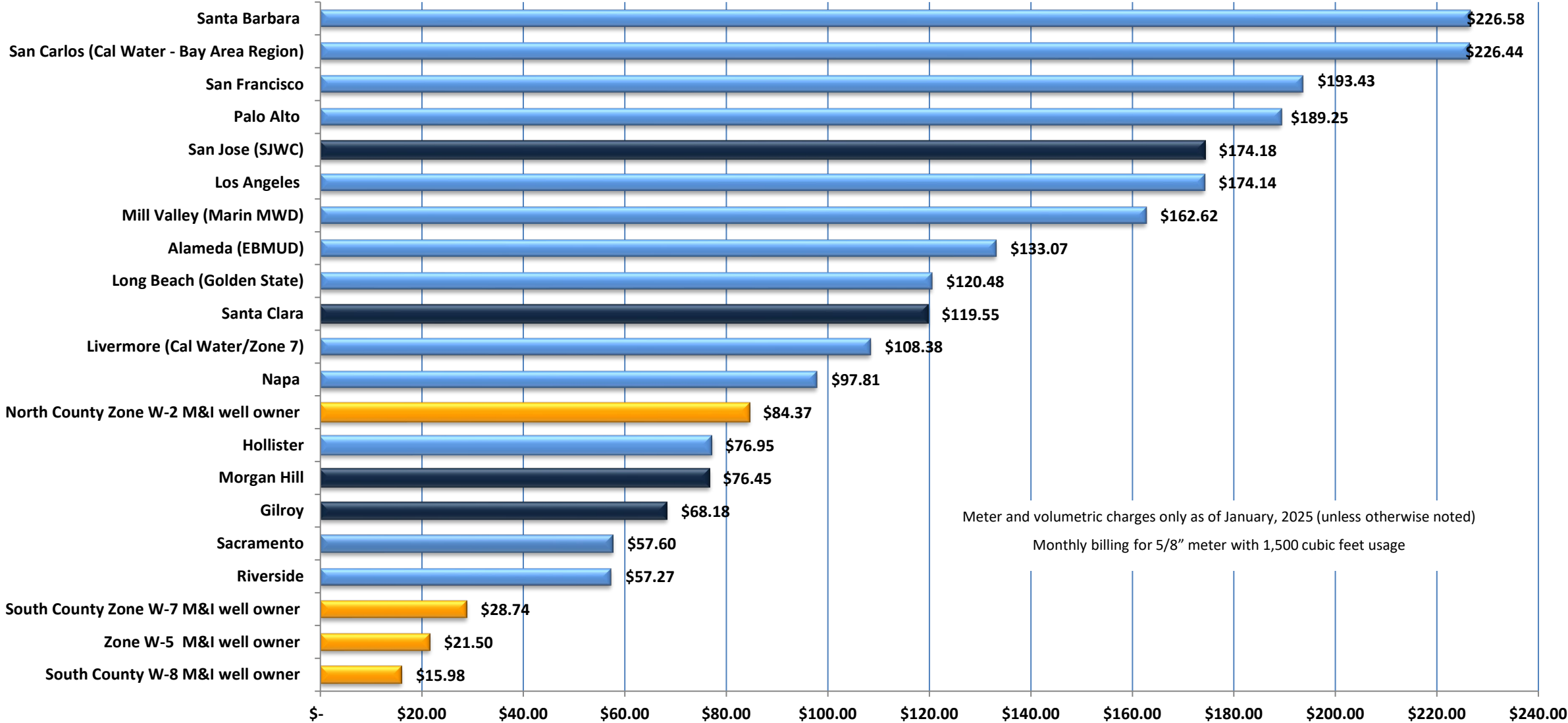
M&I Increase approximately \$1.18 per month increase to the average household user.  
Note: Does not include any increase that a retailer would layer on top



\* The total surface water charge is the sum of the basic user charge (which equals the groundwater production charge) plus the water master charge

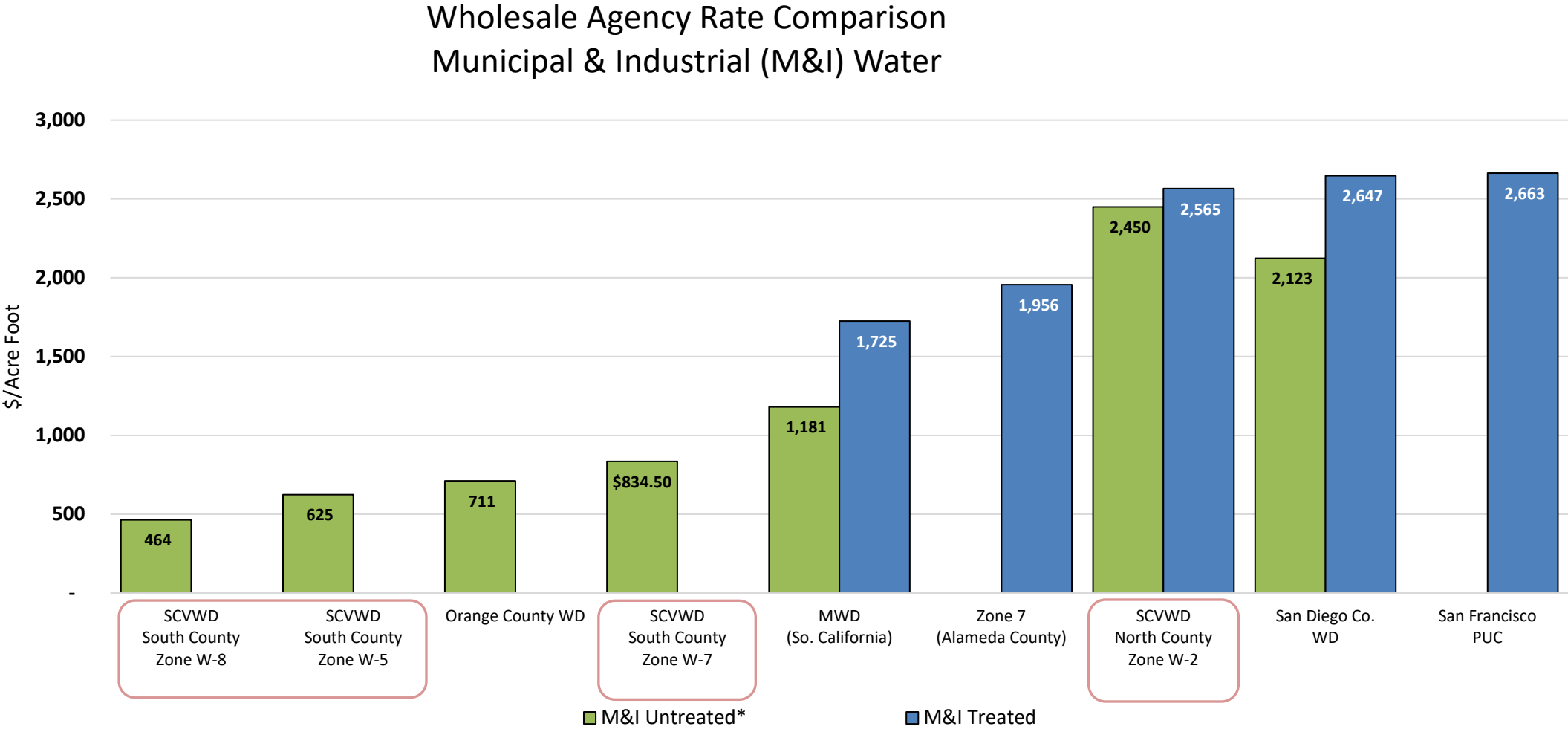


# Retail Agency Benchmarks





# Wholesale Agency Rate Comparison



\* SCVWD groundwater production charge is equivalent to SCVWD raw surface water basic user charge  
Note: some rates rounded to the nearest dollar.

Valley Water FY 26 Proposed Shown versus FY26 projected comparator rates.

# Local Assistance Programs

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Multiple Retailers offer Customer Assistance Programs (CAP) to help residents with their water bills.

Valley Water's Water Rate Assistance Program (WRAP) will also be renewed this year.



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# FY 2025-26 State Water Project Tax Recommendation

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- Staff recommends maintaining the SWP tax at \$28M (current FY 2024-25 SWP tax is \$28M)
- The annual SWP tax bill for the average single-family residence would be about \$42.00
- Impact if SWP tax not approved:

- \$162/AF additional increase in terms of North County M&I groundwater production charge
- In terms of South County M&I groundwater production charge, additional increases of:
  - \$31/AF for Zone W-5
  - \$50/AF for Zone W-7
  - \$31/AF for Zone W-8
- Placing all SWP expenses on groundwater rates would impact affordability
- \$689,316 additional increase in terms of Open Space Credit

TAXING AGENCY	VALUE	RATES (%)	PRORATION (%)	AMOUNT
LAND, IMPROVEMENTS, PERSONAL PROPERTY				
1% MAXIMUM LEVY	1,718,310	1.000000		
CO BOND 2008 HOSP FAC	1,718,310	0.006900		
CO LIBRARY RETIREMENT	1,718,310	0.002400		
CO RETIREMENT LEVY	1,718,310	0.038800		
CO. HOUSING BOND 2016	1,718,310	0.010000		
COMM COLLEGE BONDS	1,718,310	0.019900		
ELEM OR UNIF SCH BONDS	1,718,310	0.104600		
TOTAL ASSESSED VALUE TAXES	1,718,310	1.182600	50.00	10,160.37
LAND AND IMPROVEMENTS				
SCVWD-STATE WATER PROJ	1,718,310	0.004100	50.00	35.23
TOTAL LAND & IMPROVEMENT TAXES	1,718,310	0.004100		
ROUNDING ADJUSTMENT				0.00
TAXES DUE				\$10,195.60

# 2025 Schedule

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- Jan 6 Agricultural Water Advisory Committee
- Jan 14 Board Meeting: Preliminary Groundwater Charge Analysis
- Jan 15 Water Retailers Meeting: Preliminary Groundwater Charge Analysis
- Jan 22 Water Commission Meeting: Prelim Groundwater Charge Analysis

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- Feb 11 Board Meeting: Set time & place of Public Hearing
- Feb 28 Mail notice of public hearing and file PAWS report

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- Mar 11 Board Meeting: Budget development update
- Mar 19 Water Retailers Meeting: FY 26 Groundwater Charge Recommendation
- Mar 25 Long Range Financial Forecast Review

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- Apr 7 Agricultural Water Advisory Committee
- Apr 8 Open Public Hearing
- Apr 9 Water Commission Meeting
- Apr 23-24 Board Meeting: Budget work study session
- Apr 25 \* Continue Public Hearing in South County (Morgan Hill)

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- May 16 \* Conclude Public Hearing
- May 27 Adopt budget & groundwater production and other water charges

*\* Adjusted from original schedule; pending Board approval.*

## Valley Water remains in an era of investment

- Needed infrastructure repair coupled with climate change driving planning efforts for investments

## Water Supply Master Plan 2050 is nearly finished

- Includes adaptive management framework to provide Board with flexibility to make incremental investment decisions and refine them over time

## Water Utility Enterprise diligently implementing cost containment measures

- Vacant positions remain unfilled and operations & maintenance costs remain nearly flat year-over-year
- Holding rate projections to prior years to greatest extent possible

## Proposed FY 26 Groundwater Production Charge for North County in terms of average household increase are:

- Increase of \$7.60 per month in Zone W-2 for groundwater and treated water

## Proposed FY 26 Groundwater Projection Charges for South County in terms of average household increase are:

- Increase of \$1.58 per month in Zone W-5
- Increase of \$2.83 per month in Zone W-7
- Increase of \$1.18 per month in Zone W-8

***Staff seeking Commission endorsement of proposal***



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# Santa Clara Valley Water District

**File No.:** 25-0274

**Agenda Date:** 4/9/2025

**Item No.:** 4.2.

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## COMMITTEE AGENDA MEMORANDUM Santa Clara Valley Water Commission

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

### SUBJECT:

Receive an Overview of the Water Conservation Program.

### RECOMMENDATION:

Receive an overview of the Water Conservation Program.

### SUMMARY:

Valley Water has provided our community with a robust water conservation program (Program) since 1992. The Program supports the following conservation goals (relative to 1992 water use) established by Valley Water's Board of Directors through the Water Supply Master Plan (WSMP):

- 99,000 acre-feet per year (AFY) by 2030;
- 110,000 AFY by 2040; and
- 126,000 AFY by 2050.

In addition, the Program supports Valley Water's Board Resolution 23-52 to Make Water Conservation a Way of Life in Santa Clara County. With a budget of \$13.4 million in fiscal year (FY) 2025, Valley Water's water conservation budget more than doubled compared to FY 2021.

Valley Water staff tracks progress towards the long-term conservation goals using a custom, Water Conservation Savings Model (Savings Model). In FY 2024, long-term water conservation increased by 3,022 acre-feet to 85,204 AFY from the 1992 baseline. This continues a positive 5-year trend beginning in FY 2020; on average between FY 2020 and FY 2024, water savings have increased by 2,620 AFY annually. This makes Santa Clara County the 10<sup>th</sup> lowest residential water user in the state. Additionally, if this trend continues, Valley Water is on track to meet its 2030 goal.

Valley Water runs over 20 different water conservation and demand management programs to ensure every sector contributes towards achieving the Board's goals; we provide outreach and educational material and host the annual Landscape Summit which is attended by over 150 industry professionals. Information about current conservation programs is detailed in the attached flyer (Attachment 2) and can be found at [www.watersavings.org](http://www.watersavings.org).

### Cost Sharing Agreements

To increase participation in Valley Water's rebate programs and to encourage water conservation through Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) and Water Use Reports, Valley Water has entered into cost-sharing agreements with several cities and water retailers, currently including:

- City of Gilroy
- City of Milpitas
- City of Morgan Hill
- City of Palo Alto
- City of Santa Clara
- San Jose Municipal Water System

Cost-sharing agreements include funds paid by retailers and cities to Valley Water and funds paid by Valley Water to retailers. Currently, Valley Water has agreements with six retailers and cities to increase the rebate rates for their customers participating in one or more of the following Valley Water rebate programs:

- Landscape Rebate Program
  - Landscape Conversion
  - Large Landscape Lawn to Mulch
  - Rainwater Capture
- Laundry-to-Landscape Graywater
- Submeters
- Water Efficient Technology (WET)

Cost-sharing contributions vary by retailer. For the Landscape Rebate Program, for example, cost-sharing partners increase available rebates for their customers by \$1,000-\$3,000 for single-family sites and \$10,000-\$35,000 for commercial, institutional, and multi-family sites.

AMI is an important tool for reaching our water conservation goals. Valley Water provides cost-sharing funding to public agencies in the county to implement AMI in their service area and helps fund Water Use Reports, which provide customized water consumption information, messaging, and water-saving recommendations to customers. As of July 2024, Valley Water has cost-sharing agreements for AMI in the following service areas:

- City of Morgan Hill (approx. 17,000 AMI meters funded),
- City of Milpitas (approx. 16,700 AMI meters funded), and
- City of Palo Alto (approx. 21,000 AMI meters funded).

In addition to the AMI cost-sharing agreements listed above, Valley Water is also actively developing an agreement with the City of Mountain View for the installation of approximately 19,000 AMI meters.

### Model Water Efficiency New Development Ordinance

The Model Water Efficiency New Development Ordinance (MWENDO), developed in 2015 by the Santa Clara County Water Efficient New Development Task Force, composed of representatives from Santa Clara County, several cities, Valley Water, Sustainable Silicon Valley, and Joint Venture Silicon

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Valley, is intended to be adopted by jurisdictions in Santa Clara County to ensure water use efficiency in new development. The ordinance is designed to be customizable depending on cities' needs and includes a variety of water efficiency measures for new developments such as:

- Single-Family Residential
- Multi-Family Residential and Nonresidential Projects
- Commercial Facilities

To advance water efficiency and conservation efforts, Valley Water continues to promote and monitor actions related to the adoption of MWENDO, which would ensure that new developments meet strong water efficiency standards. Valley Water has actively advocated with the County and all 15 cities to adopt all or parts of MWENDO and continues to provide support to municipalities to advance the County's and cities' interests in expanding water efficiency measures. To assist jurisdictions with MWENDO adoption, Valley Water has offered technical support to city staff by developing a template staff/Council agenda report, providing a cost-effectiveness study, and instructions for filing reach codes with the California Building Standards Commission (CBSC) and California Energy Commission (CEC).

While the 2022 version of California's Title 24 building code update was effective January 1, 2023, jurisdictions may consider water efficiency measures to be included as part of the building code adoption cycle in 2025 and can adopt additional reach codes like MWENDO at any time. While no jurisdictions have adopted the actual ordinance, cities such as Mountain View and Palo Alto already have existing municipal codes that align with portions of MWENDO.

MWENDO has been revised in preparation for the upcoming building code adoption cycle and reflects the most up-to-date water efficiency standards and water conservation reach code best practices. The revised ordinance also includes a supplemental provision related to decorative, non-functional turf on commercial, industrial, and institutional (CII) sites, which complements the recently passed legislation, AB 1572 (Chapter 849, Statutes of 2023), that phases out the use of potable water for irrigation of non-functional turf on CII landscapes on some State-owned properties and properties owned by local government agencies. Several cities have expressed interest and staff continue to work on promoting adoption of MWENDO.

#### Outreach Campaign

Valley Water's Office of Communications works with water retailers to cross-promote our water conservation programs in English, Spanish, Mandarin, and Vietnamese. Our multilingual advertising campaigns target diverse populations through digital and social media channels. During FY24, we worked with various cities to distribute creative materials to promote water conservation, graywater, Landscape Rebates and Outdoor Water Surveys. Valley Water also shares a partner toolkit for our water conservation campaigns, featuring our ads, digital banners, animations and suggested messaging for social media platforms.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE AND EQUITY IMPACT:**

Environmental justice and equity impacts on local communities are expected/likely to result from

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implementation of the water conservation program toward meeting the long-term water conservation 2030, 2040, and 2050 goals. Water conservation offers a range of environmental justice benefits by equitable access to clean water, reducing pollution, protecting ecosystems, mitigating climate change, saving costs for vulnerable communities, enhancing drought resilience, and empowering residents with knowledge and skills for sustainable water use. Valley Water provides such water conservation information in multiple languages and via various outreach techniques to reach all members of our community. Valley Water acknowledges that during drought, disadvantaged communities may be disproportionately impacted. To address these impacts, Valley Water promotes access to equitable and affordable water supplies (Water Supply Goal 2.6). Valley Water offers specific programs, such as the Landscape Direct Installation Program to provide water-efficient landscapes to low-income residents.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment 1: PowerPoint

Attachment 2: Water Conservation Flyer

**UNCLASSIFIED MANAGER:**

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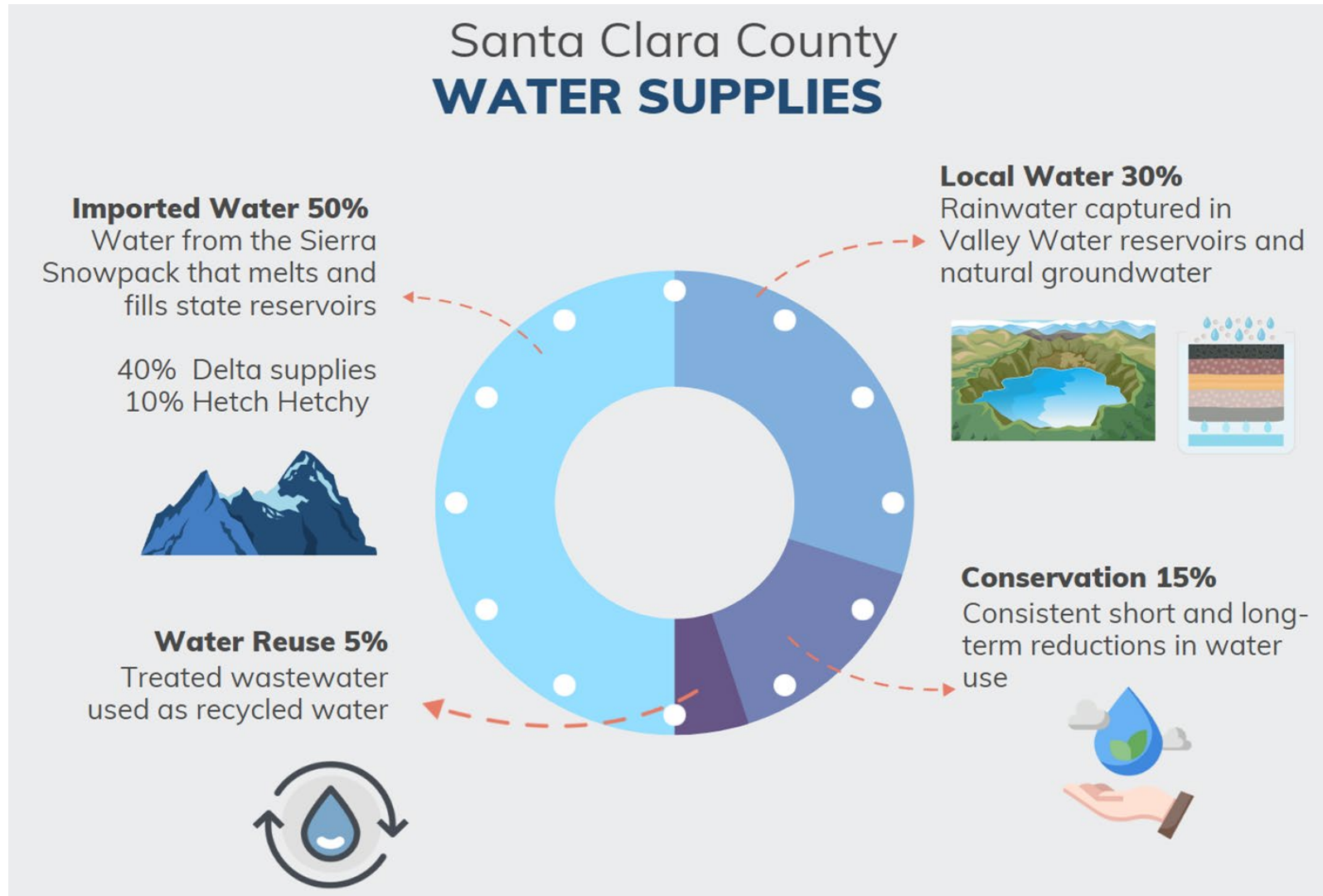


# Water Conservation Program

Presented by: Metra Richert, Unit Manager  
Water Commission Meeting – April 9, 2025



# A Diverse Portfolio Builds Resilience





# Water Conservation Targets & Progress

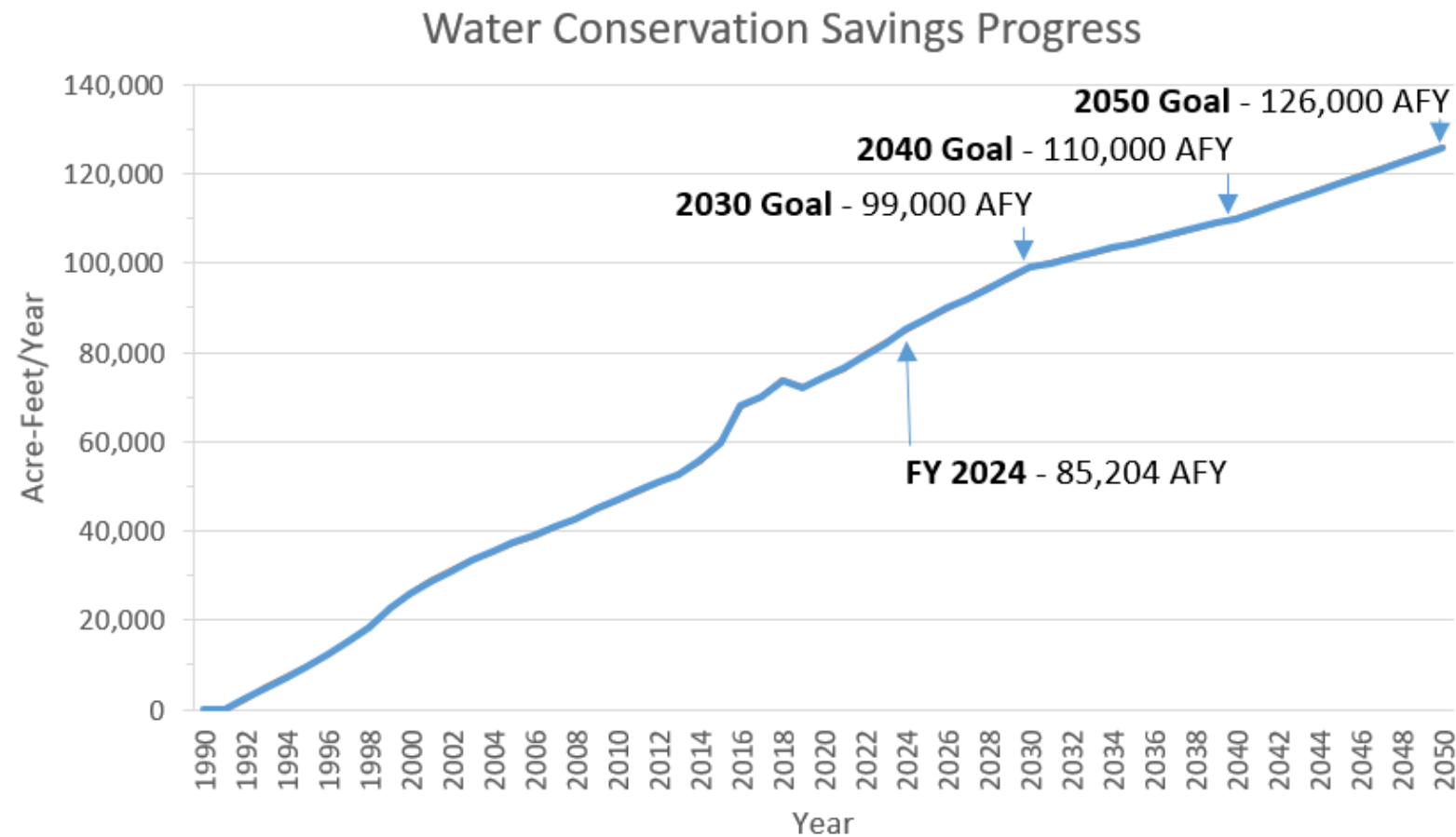
## Board Targets

2030 - 99 TAFY

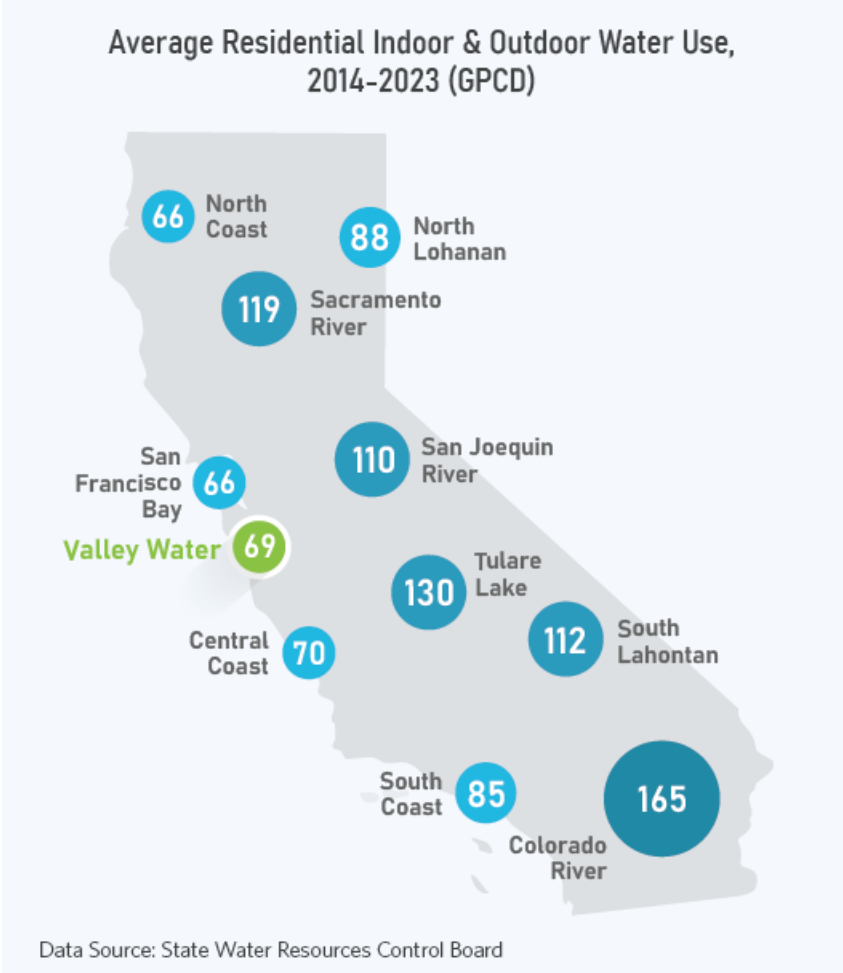
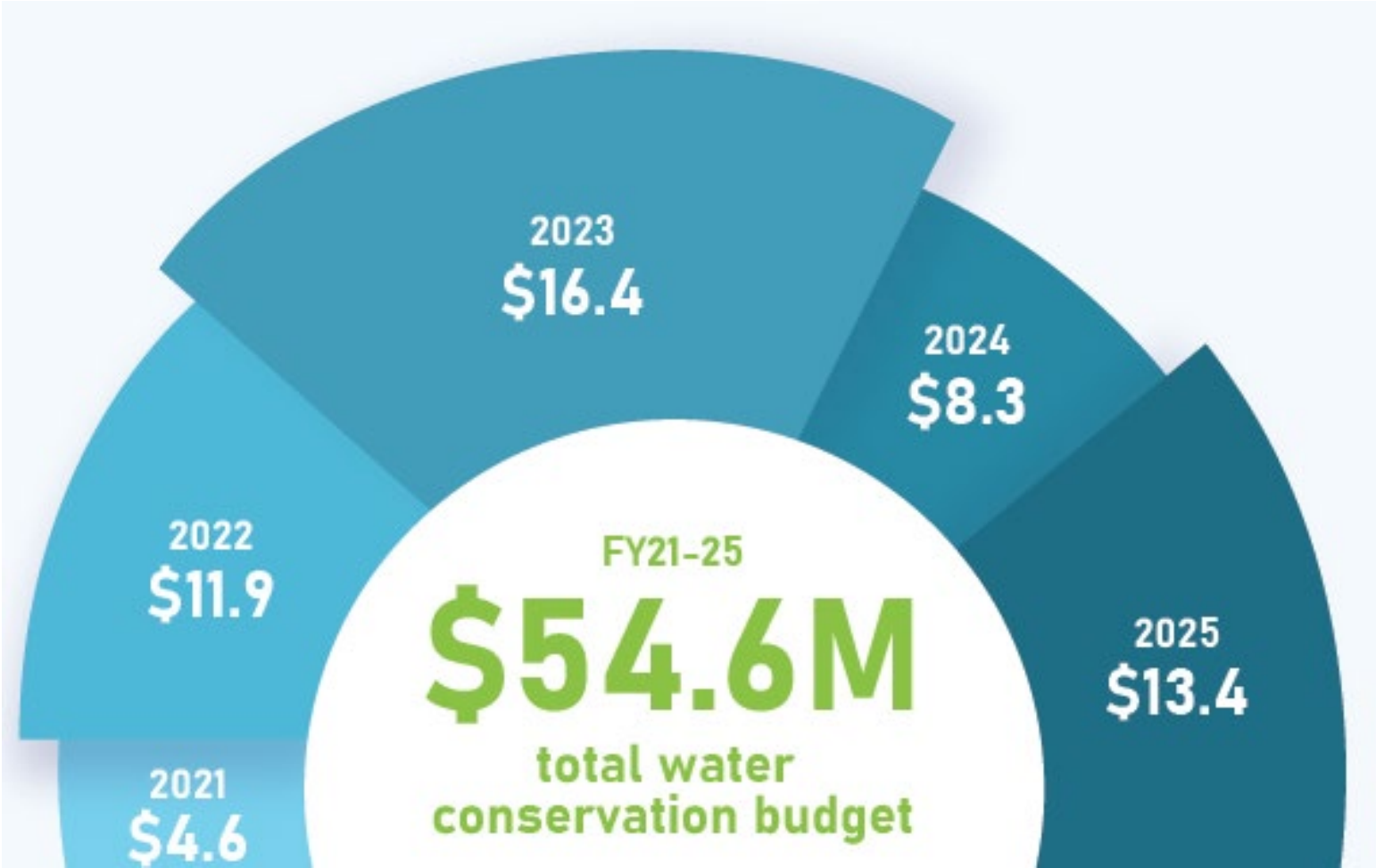
2040 - 110 TAFY

2050 - 126 TAFY

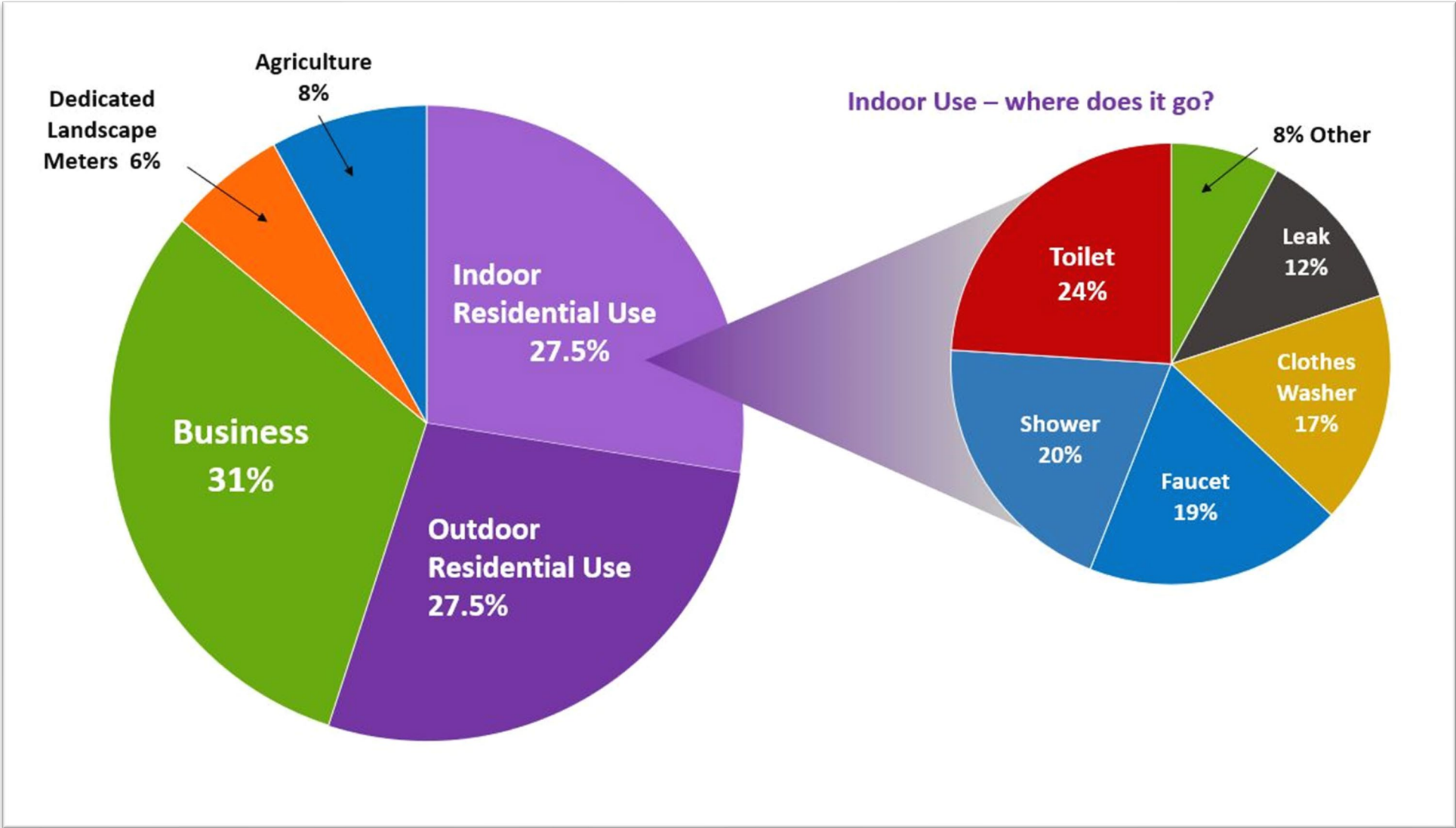
TAFY – thousand acre-feet/year



# Water Conservation Funding & Success



# Water Usage Breakdown



# Water Conservation Program

*“Making water conservation a California way of life.”*

## Rebates

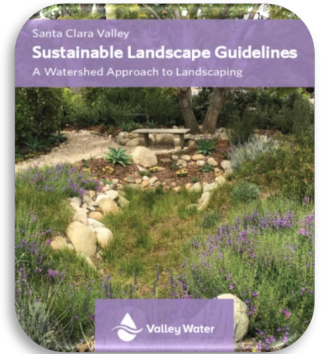
- **Landscape Rebate Program**
- **Landscape Design Assistance**
- **Graywater Laundry-to-Landscape**
- **Water Efficient Technology (WET)**
- **Submeter Rebate Program**

## Programs & Services

- **Large Landscape Survey Program**
- **Water Wise Outdoor Surveys**
- **Water Waste Enforcement**
- **Agricultural Mobile Irrigation Lab**
- **Free water-saving devices (eCart)**
- **Fixture Replacement Program**

## Outreach and Education

- **Webinars**
- **Landscape professional training**
- **Literature**
- **Online resources**
- **Landscape Summit**



# Cost Share Agreements with Retailers

Tools offered to water retailers to incentivize program participation through enhanced rebate incentives or acquire funding for AMI.

- **Partner agencies contribute funding for:**
  - Landscape conversion
  - Residential graywater
  - Residential submeters
  - CII equipment upgrades
- **VW provides funding to partner agencies for:**
  - AMI implementation
  - Water Use Reports




# Model Water Efficiency New Development Ordinance (MWENDO)


- Developed in 2015 through a collaboration of various Santa Clara County organizations
- Intended to ensure water use efficiency in new developments
- Designed to be customizable depending on cities' needs
- Every jurisdiction in the county has been approached
- Finalizing updates to the ordinance to reflect the latest Title 24 updates, water conservation reach code best practices, and Valley Water ordinance.



# Outreach Success

## Water Conservation Campaign




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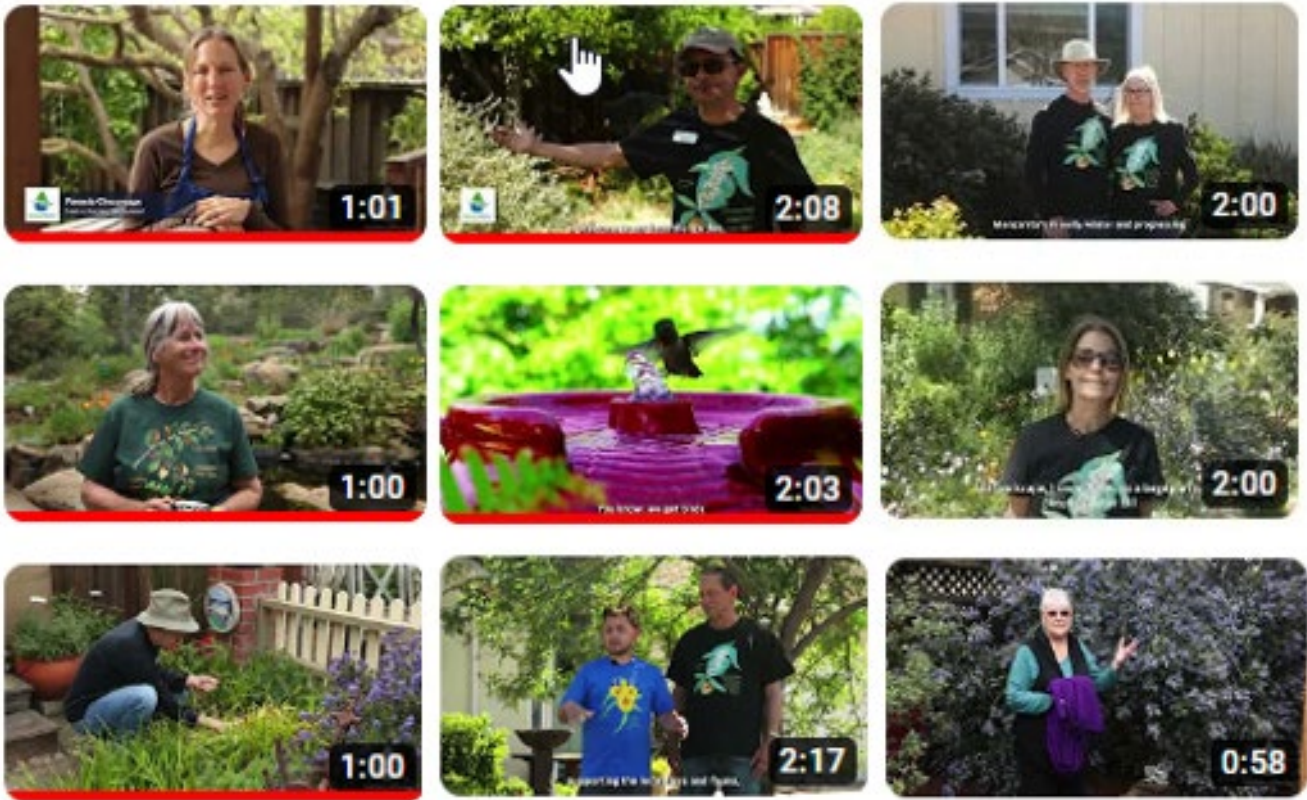
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## Landscape Transformation Stories



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# Water Conservation Rebates and Programs



## Say YES to Saving Water!

Valley Water's water conservation rebates and programs are designed to make water conservation easier, helping you say YES to saving water. Learn more about all of our conservation programs and resources by visiting [watersavings.org](https://watersavings.org).

## Online Shopping Cart

Valley Water offers free water conservation devices that can help you save water. You can request free water efficient devices and free resources to evaluate your water use efficiency. Visit [cloud.valleywater.org/shopping-cart](https://cloud.valleywater.org/shopping-cart) to order your FREE gear and literature today!

## Landscape Rebate Program

The Landscape Rebate Program can help you create beautiful drought resilient landscapes. Get started by finding more information at [valleywater.dropletportal.com](https://valleywater.dropletportal.com). Make sure you submit an online application for approval and schedule a pre-inspection **before beginning any work** on your project.

### ■ Rebate Caps

The following landscape rebate site caps apply to the combined program components, including Landscape Conversion, Large Landscape Lawn to Mulch, Irrigation Equipment Upgrade and Rainwater Catchment.

- \$3,000 for single-family or multi-family residential properties (4 or fewer units)
- \$100,000 for all commercial, industrial, institutional properties or multi-family residential properties (5 or more units)

**Rebate rates and caps may be higher in some areas.** Other programs are capped separately.

### ■ Landscape Conversion

Any property with qualifying high-water using landscapes (i.e., lawn or functional swimming pools) can receive a rebate of at least \$2 per square foot (sq. ft.) for converting to a drought resilient landscape.

### ■ Large Landscape Lawn to Mulch

Any commercial, industrial, institutional properties or multi-family residential properties can receive a rebate of at least \$1 per sq. ft. for converting a qualifying lawn to a minimum of 3 inches of mulch (minimum 15,000 sq. ft. lawn area). The irrigation system watering any trees in the converted lawn area needs to be converted to a low-flow irrigation system. Golf course options are offered.



*A converted low-water use garden featuring California poppies in bloom.*

### ■ Irrigation Equipment Upgrade

Rebates are offered for replacing old, inefficient irrigation equipment with new, qualifying high-efficiency equipment, including:

- High-efficiency nozzles (up to \$5 each)
- Rotor sprinklers or spray bodies with pressure regulation and or check valves (up to \$20 each)
- Rain Sensors (up to \$50)
- Flow sensors, hydrometers, and dedicated landscape meters (up to \$1,000)
- Smart irrigation controllers (up to \$300-\$2,000 each)
- Sprinkler to In-Line Drip Conversion (\$0.25 per sq. ft.)

### ■ Rainwater Capture

Rainwater capture or diversion projects collecting rainwater from existing downspouts can receive rebates for the following:

- Rain barrels up to 199 gallons (up to \$35 per barrel)
- Cisterns 200 gallons or more (\$0.50 per gallon)
- Rain gardens (\$1 per sq. ft. of roof area diverted, up to \$300)

## Graywater Rebate Program

Receive at least \$200 per home for transforming your clothes washer into a graywater system. Plants don't need drinking water to thrive: reuse graywater in your yard! Apply online and find how-to videos at [watersavings.org](https://watersavings.org). No pre-inspection is required but **wait for approval before beginning any work**.



## Landscape Surveys

Request to have your landscape and irrigation system surveyed by a trained irrigation professional for FREE. Following the survey, the specialist will provide you with a customized report, outlining any apparent leaks or inefficiencies, suggestions for irrigation scheduling, and recommendations for money-saving landscape rebates. Whether your landscape is small or large, we have a program to fit your needs.

### Water Wise Outdoor Survey Program

A Water Wise Outdoor Survey is for landscapes at single-family, small commercial, industrial, institutional properties or multi-family residential sites up to half an acre. To get started, have a recent copy of your water bill on hand and submit a request at [valleywater.org/outdoor-survey](http://valleywater.org/outdoor-survey).

Call **408-630-2000** or email [waterwise@valleywater.org](mailto:waterwise@valleywater.org) with questions. If you are a customer of San Jose Water Company, please contact them directly to schedule a CATCH survey at **408-279-7900** or [customer.service@sjwater.com](mailto:customer.service@sjwater.com).

### Large Landscape Program

A Large Landscape Survey is for landscapes at commercial, industrial, institutional properties or multi-family residential common areas with over half an acre. Also, free landscape water budgets are available for some properties, which compare your actual irrigation use to a property specific budget. Visit [waterfluence.com](http://waterfluence.com) to see if your property already receives this free benefit. Request a survey at [watersavings.org](http://watersavings.org).

## Commercial and Facility Rebates

Receive up to \$100,000 for replacing or updating equipment with water-efficient technology that results in measurable water savings. This custom rebate based on the measured amount of water saved is available to qualifying facilities including facilities like businesses, schools, hospitals and government buildings. The rebate is \$4 per 100 cubic ft. of water saved per year, or 100% of the project cost (excluding labor and taxes), whichever is less.

## Fixture Replacement Program

Replace old qualifying fixtures for FREE! Inefficient fixtures can be replaced for free by licensed plumbers at qualifying commercial, industrial, institutional properties or multi-family residential properties. Inefficient fixtures that qualify include toilets, urinals, showerheads, faucet aerators, and pre-rinse spray valves. Sign up at [blusinc.com](http://blusinc.com), call **800-597-2835**, or [customerservice@blusinc.com](mailto:customerservice@blusinc.com).

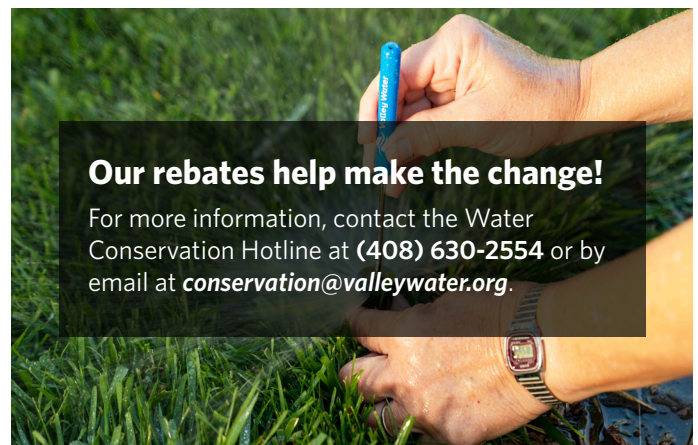
## Submeter Rebate Program

Submeters can save 10-30% of water used! Received at least \$150 per installed water submeter by upgrading from a single meter. Accessory dwelling units (ADUs or granny units), mobile home parks, apartments, and condominium complexes can qualify. There is no rebate cap when all eligibility requirements are met.

## Report Water Waste

Help local residents and businesses preserve our shared water supply by confidentially reporting water waste and violations of outdoor water-use restrictions. Any specific notes like location, date and time, or frequency will help our inspectors follow up. To report water waste, you may do one of the following:

- Use our Access Valley Water app (by downloading or using the QR code)
- Email [waterwise@valleywater.org](mailto:waterwise@valleywater.org)
- Call **408-630-2000**



## CONTACT US

To find out the latest information on Valley Water projects or to submit questions or comments, use our **Access Valley Water** customer request system at [access.valleywater.org](http://access.valleywater.org).



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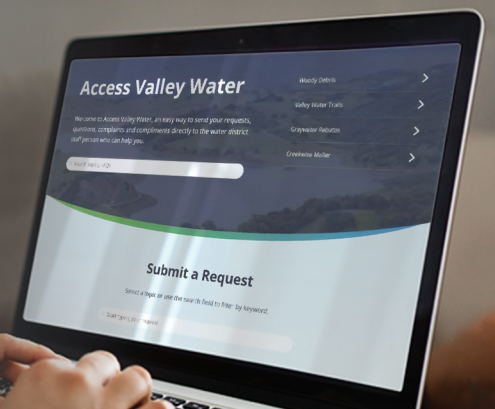
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# Santa Clara Valley Water District

**File No.:** 25-0315

**Agenda Date:** 4/9/2025

**Item No.:** 4.3.

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## COMMITTEE AGENDA MEMORANDUM Santa Clara Valley Water Commission

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

### SUBJECT:

Receive Report regarding Valley Water's Role in Emergency Preparedness and Response.

### RECOMMENDATION:

Receive report regarding Valley Water role in emergency preparedness and response.

### SUMMARY:

Valley Water is a California Special District serving Santa Clara County. It provides wholesale water supply and watershed flood control and stewardship. Valley Water's role in emergency preparedness and response is driven by its responsibilities and authorities as a government flood control agency and wholesale water supplier. Some emergencies require Valley Water to play a significant role. In other scenarios, Valley Water provides a support role. In yet other areas, Valley Water's role is the continuity of ongoing operations and services as a unit of government with critical infrastructure.

Valley Water develops and maintains Emergency Action Plans (EAPs) for flooding and for dams. The Flood EAPs are developed by Valley Water's Office of Emergency Services (OES) in coordination with the impacted jurisdictions where flood hotspots are identified. Roles, responsibilities, response actions, and communication protocols are included in the Flood EAPs. Valley Water Flood EAPs can be found at [www.valleywater.org](http://www.valleywater.org). The Dam EAPs are for Valley Water's 10 dams and focus on emergencies related to these assets. These plans also include roles, responsibilities, response actions, and communication protocols. Downstream agencies for each dam are identified in the EAP, with specific notification information included for each agency. The Dam EAPs are shared with the downstream agencies and maintained by Valley Water's Dam Safety Unit.

Valley Water's OES leads the internal emergency training and exercise programs and manages the Emergency Operations Center (EOC). OES also conducts internal staff emergency training and supports interagency training. OES also coordinates and conducts internal and interagency emergency exercises.

The type of emergency determines Valley Water's role in preparedness and response. Below are some examples that provide details on Valley Water's role in these areas:

### Flood

Valley Water has a significant response role in watershed flood emergencies, providing the status of creeks and reservoirs as well as flood projections. Watersheds operations for sandbags and field response are significant. For preparedness, Valley Water leads the development of Flood and Dam EAPs and provides interagency training and exercises. Valley Water also conducts an annual Flood Awareness campaign that includes a multilingual Flood Awareness Mailer and a multitude of outreach activities. Please see Valley Water's Get Flood Ready webpage for flood preparedness resource.

### Drought or Wholesale Water Supply Disruption

Valley Water has a significant response role for droughts and wholesale water supply disruptions. For drought, conservation and supply management is led by Valley Water. Wholesale water supply disruptions involving wholesale water supply facilities are responded to and managed by Valley Water. For preparedness, Valley Water conducts significant planning efforts for future droughts and wholesale water supplies. Drought and Saving Water resources can be found at [www.valleywater.org](http://www.valleywater.org).

### Wildfire

Valley Water has a support role in wildfires with respect to water supply. During wildfires, fire agencies can pull water resources directly from our reservoirs to support aerial fire response. Residential and business area fire hydrants are not connected to Valley Water infrastructure, as this is owned by water retailers. Valley Water provides water to retailers, and the retailers distribute water to residents and businesses. For preparedness, Valley Water meets with CalFire on a semi-annual basis to discuss water supply and coordinate emergency response communication.

### Public Safety Power Shutoff and Extended Power Outage

Valley Water has a continuity role during Public Safety Power Shutoff and extended power outages. During extended power outages, Valley Water has backup power resources to ensure the continued operations of critical facilities. Updates regarding impacted Valley Water facilities may be provided to the Santa Clara County Operational Area as requested. For preparedness, Valley Water maintains its backup power resources and trains staff to ensure resources are operational.

### COVID-19 and Public Health Emergencies

Valley Water has a continuity role in COVID-19 and Public Health Emergencies, with a focus on maintaining critical infrastructure operations and services. Mitigation practices such as telework, social distancing, personal protective equipment, and monitoring staff absenteeism contributed to Valley Water's success in managing COVID-19. For preparedness, Valley Water has a Pandemic and Infectious Disease Plan, a COVID-19 Prevention Program, and other health and safety Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).

### Earthquake

Valley Water's role during an earthquake is determined by damage caused to Valley Water



facilities or infrastructure. Continuity of critical infrastructure operations and services is the focus during this emergency. Damaged facilities and infrastructure require repairs. Supply chain disruptions will be managed. Information sharing would occur with the Santa Clara County Operational Area. For preparedness, Valley Water has SOPs for assessment and response to damaged facilities. Valley Water also supports City of San Jose and County of Santa Clara County earthquake exercises in 2025.

Valley Water will continue to work with our partner jurisdictions in emergency preparedness and response efforts as appropriate.

**ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE AND EQUITY IMPACT:**

There are no Environmental Justice impacts associated with this item. This report identifies Valley Water's role in emergency preparedness and response. Valley Water acknowledges that disadvantaged communities are disproportionately impacted by the effects of emergencies. To address these impacts of flood and drought/water disruption, Valley Water communicates and performs extensive, diverse outreach to all communities living in floodplains and works to secure a reliable water supply for all communities.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment 1: PowerPoint

**UNCLASSIFIED MANAGER:**

Alexander Gordon, 408-630-2637

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# Valley Water's Role in Emergency Preparedness and Response

Santa Clara Valley Water Commission, April 9, 2025

Presented by: Alexander Gordon, Assistant Officer for Emergency, Safety and Security

# Valley Water – California Special District 2

## Responsibility and Authority

- Wholesale Water Supply
- Watershed Flood Control
- Environmental Stewardship

## Role in Emergencies

- Significant/Lead
- Support
- Continuity of Government Critical Infrastructure



**Santa Teresa Water Treatment Plant**

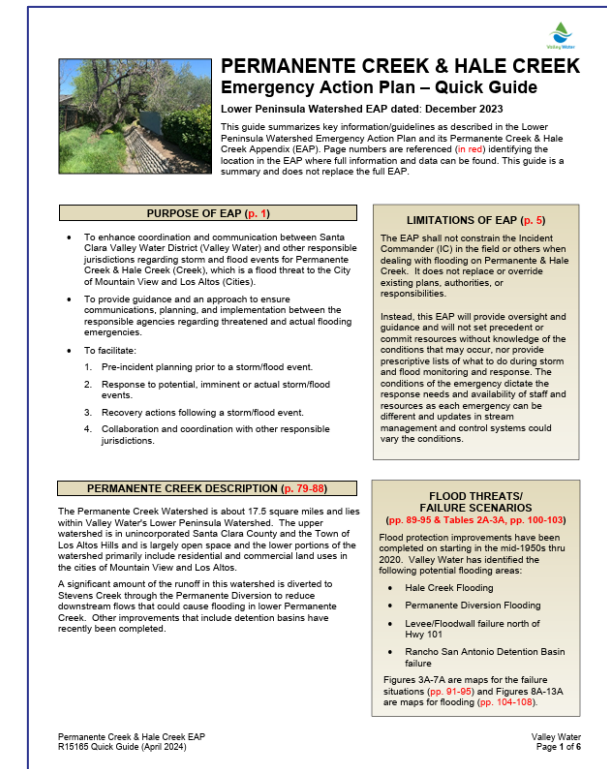
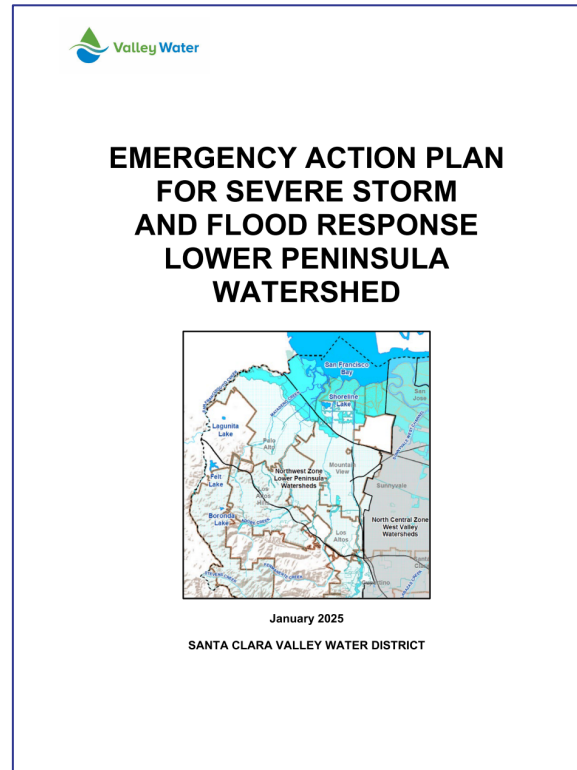
# Valley Water Emergency Preparedness

## Emergency Action Plans

- Flood
- Dam

## Training and Exercise

- Internal
- Inter-agency





# Flood

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## Response Role

- Significant
- Intelligence, status, flood projections, field response

## Preparedness Role

- EAP development, training and exercise
- Flood awareness and education





# Drought or Wholesale Water Supply Disruption

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## Response Role

- Significant/Lead
- Conservation, wholesale water supply mgmt., facility repair

## Preparedness Role

- Drought and wholesale water supply planning
- Education and awareness for drought and saving water



**Water Conservation Infographic**

<https://www.valleywater.org/water-conservation-infographic>

# Wildfire

## Response Role

- Support
- Reservoir water supply for aerial response (fire hydrants managed by water retailer)

## Preparedness Role

- CalFire coordination for water supply and emergency communication



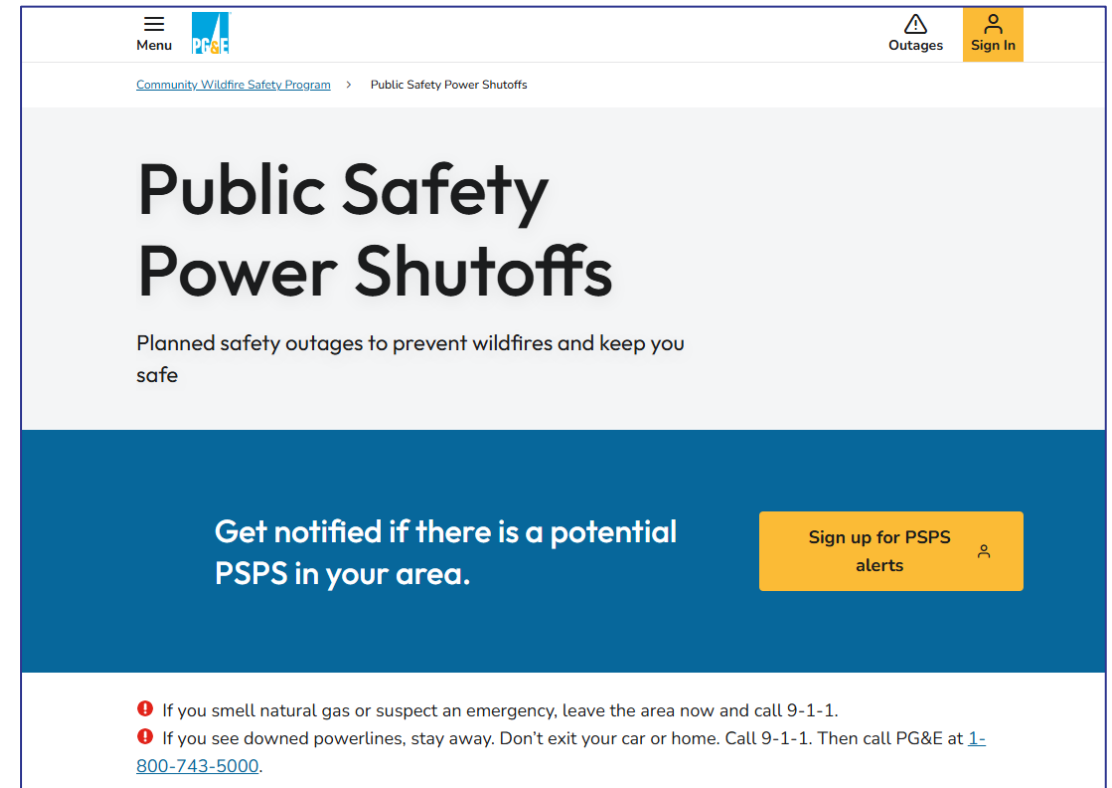
# PG&E Public Safety Power Shutoff and Extended Power Outage

## Response Role

- Continuity
- Critical facilities updates for Santa Clara County Operational Area (SCCOA)

## Preparedness Role

- Backup power resources
- Staff training to implement backup power resources



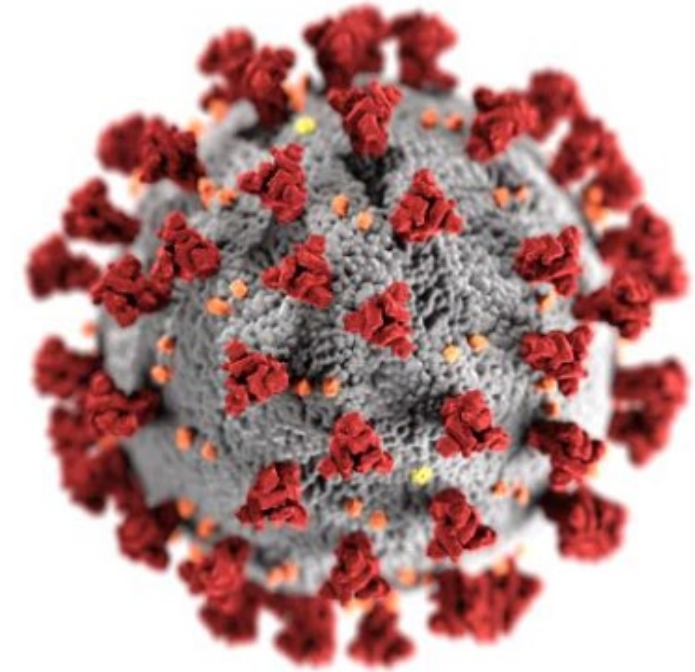
# COVID-19 and Public Health Emergencies 8

## Response Role

- Continuity
- Telework, social distancing, PPE, monitoring absenteeism

## Preparedness Role

- Pandemic and Infectious Disease Plan
- COVID-19 Prevention Program
- Health and Safety SOPs



# Earthquake

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## Response Role

- Continuity
- Determined by damage
- Updates to SCCOA

## Preparedness Role

- SOPs for assessment and response
- Support external Earthquake Exercises (City of San Jose, County of Santa Clara)





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# Valley Water

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# Santa Clara Valley Water District

**File No.:** 25-0334

**Agenda Date:** 4/9/2025

**Item No.:** 4.4.

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## COMMITTEE AGENDA MEMORANDUM Santa Clara Valley Water Commission

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

### SUBJECT:

Review 2025 Santa Clara Valley Water Commission Work Plan, the Outcomes of Board Action of Commission Requests; and the Commission's Next Meeting Agenda.

### RECOMMENDATION:

Review the Commission work plan to guide the commission'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 or Commissions, 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

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Advisory Committees or Commissions may help the Board produce the link between the District and the public through information sharing to the communities they represent.

**ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE AND EQUITY IMPACT:**

The review of the Commission's Work Plan is not subject to an environmental justice and equity impact analysis.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment 1: Water Commission 2025 Work Plan

**UNCLASSIFIED MANAGER:**

Candice Kwok-Smith, 408-630-3193

## 2025 Work Plan: Santa Clara Valley Water Commission

Update: April 2025

The annual work plan establishes a framework for committee discussion and action during the annual meeting schedule. The Committee work plan is a dynamic document, subject to change as external and internal issues impacting the District occur and are recommended for committee discussion. Subsequently, an annual committee accomplishments report is developed based on the work plan and presented to the District Board of Directors.

ITEM	WORK PLAN ITEM BOARD POLICY	MEETING DATE	INTENDED OUTCOME(S) (Action or Information Only)	ACCOMPLISHMENT DATE AND OUTCOME
1	Election of Chair and Vice Chair for 2025	January 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Commission Elects Chair and Vice Chair for 2025. <b>(Action)</b></li> </ul>	<b><u>Accomplished January 22, 2025</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Motion by Hon. Member Page, seconded by Hon. Member Ramirez, for Hon. Member Daily as Chairperson.</li> <li>Motion by Hon. Member Candelas, seconded by Hon. Member Chao for Hon. Member Hardy as Vice Chairperson.</li> </ul> Both motions carried on a majority roll call vote.
2	2024 Accomplishments Report	January 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review and approve 2024 Accomplishments Report for presentation to the Board. <b>(Action)</b></li> <li>Submit requests to the Board, as appropriate. <b>(Action)</b></li> </ul>	<b><u>Accomplished January 22, 2025</u></b> Motion by Hon. Member Ramirez, seconded by Hon. Member Candelas, and unanimously approved for the Commission to approve 2024 Annual Accomplishments Report for Presentation to the Board on the Consent Calendar under one motion and by roll call vote. <i>Approved at March 11, 2025 BOD meeting</i>
3	2025 Work Plan: Review of Santa Clara Valley Water Commission Work Plan, the Outcomes of Board Action of Commission Requests and the Commission's Next Meeting Agenda, and Recommend the Proposed 2025 Water Commission Work Plan to the Board	January 22 April 9 July 23 October 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Receive and review the FY2024-2025 Board-approved Committee work plan. <b>(Information)</b></li> <li>Submit requests to the Board, as appropriate. <b>(Action)</b></li> </ul>	<b><u>Accomplished January 22, 2025</u></b> Motion by Hon. Member Hardy, seconded by Hon. Member Ramirez, with several additions requested, and unanimously approved as amended the 2025 Commission Work Plan under one motion and by roll call vote. <i>Approved at March 11, 2025 BOD meeting</i>

*Blue = Action taken by the Board of Directors*

## 2025 Work Plan: Santa Clara Valley Water Commission

Update: April 2025

4	Approve 2025 Meeting Schedule	January 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discuss and approve 2025 meeting schedule. <b>(Action)</b> January 22 April 9 July 23 (may be changed to Aug.) Oct. 22</li> </ul>	<b>Accomplished January 22, 2025</b> The Commission received and approved the 2025 meeting schedule, which was included in the 2025 Work Plan.
5	Review and Comment to the Board on the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Preliminary Groundwater Production Charges	January 22 April 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review and comment to the Board on the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Preliminary Groundwater Production Charges. <b>(Action)</b></li> <li>Receive/discuss community outreach/messaging of groundwater rates. <b>(Information)</b></li> <li>Submit requests to the Board, as appropriate. <b>(Action)</b></li> </ul>	<b>Accomplished January 22, 2025</b> The Commission received information and provided feedback to staff on the Fiscal year 2024-2025 Preliminary Groundwater Production Charges and took no action.
6	Standing Items Report Fiscal Year 2025	January 22 October 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Receive reports on FY24-25 Valley Water Board Work Plan standing items</li> <li><b>(Information)</b></li> </ul>	<b>Accomplished January 22, 2025</b> The Commission received the Standing Items Report Fiscal Year 2025 information and took no action.
7	Information and Feedback on the Development of Valley Water's Water Supply Master Plan 2050	January 22 July 23 or Aug	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Receive Information and Provide Feedback on the Development of Valley Water's Water Supply Master Plan 2050. <b>(Action)</b></li> <li>Receive information relating to possible desalination projects in the WSMP 2050 <b>(Information)</b></li> </ul>	<b>Accomplished January 22, 2025</b> The Commission received information and provided feedback to staff on the Water Supply Master Plan 2050 and took no action.
8	Update relating to Valley Water's amendment to Conflict of Interest Code/Form 700	April 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Receive update relating to Valley Water's amendment to Conflict of Interest Code <b>(Information)</b></li> </ul>	
9	Overview of Valley Water's Role in Emergency Preparedness and Response	April 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Receive overview of Valley Water's Role in Emergency Preparedness and Response. <b>(Information)</b></li> </ul>	



## 2025 Work Plan: Santa Clara Valley Water Commission

Update: April 2025

10	Overview of Valley Water's Water Conservation Programs	April 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Receive information from Valley Water relating to water conservation programs. <b>(Information)</b></li> </ul>	
11	Tour a VW Water Supply Facility	July 23 or Aug	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Conduct tour <b>(Action)</b></li> </ul>	
12	Update of AB 1469 relating to Unhoused	October 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Receive update on AB1469 relating to unhoused <b>(Information)</b></li> </ul>	
13	Overview of Valley Water's Flood Protection Projects	TBD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Receive information from Valley Water relating to flood protection projects and efforts. <b>(Information)</b></li> </ul>	

### BOARD WORK PLAN GOALS:

**Integrated Water Resources Management** - Goal: Efficiently manage water resources across business areas.

**Water Supply** – Goal: Provide a reliable, safe, and affordable water supply for current and future generations in all communities served.

**Natural Flood Protection** – Goal: Provide natural flood protection to reduce risk and improve health and safety.

**Environmental Stewardship** – Goal: Sustain ecosystem health while managing local water resources for flood protection and water supply.

**Addressing Encampment of Unsheltered People** – Goal: Humanely assist in the permanent relocation of unsheltered people on Valley Water lands along waterways and at water supply and flood risk reduction facilities in order to address the human health, public safety, operational, and environmental challenges posed by encampments.

**Climate Change** – Goal: Mitigate carbon emissions and adapt Valley Water operations to climate change impacts.

**Business Management** – Goal: Promote effective management of water supply, flood protection, and environmental stewardship through responsive and socially responsible business services.

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