



SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

NON-AGENDA

August 12, 2022

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

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		CEO Bulletin: None
2		Watersheds-Operations and Maintenance Report June 15th – July 15, 2022
		<u>BOARD MEMBER REQUESTS & INFORMATIONAL ITEMS</u>
		BMR/IBMR Weekly Reports: None.
		<u>INCOMING BOARD CORRESPONDENCE</u>
7		Board Correspondence Weekly Report: 08/12/22
8		Appreciation Email from Danny Garza, to the Board of Directors, dated 08/04/22, regarding Valley Water Staff and Programs (C-22-0133).
9		Letter from Alie H. Saad, PH. D, to the Board of Directors, dated 08/04/22, regarding Retrofit Project of Anderson Lake Dam (C-22-0134).
16		Letter from Ben Eichenberg, to the Board of Directors, dated 08/09/22, regarding Petition for Action to Valley Water Board (C-22-0135).
		<u>OUTGOING BOARD CORRESPONDENCE</u>
23		Email from Director Estremera, to Danny Garza, dated 08/04/22, regarding Unhoused Excavation on Lower Silver Creek (C-22-0131).

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Watersheds - Operations and Maintenance Report

June 15th – July 15th, 2022

Projects and Permit Process Status

This report provides a holistic view of Watersheds O&M Division operations, including Stream Maintenance Program (SMP) activities and work underway or performed on both Water Utility Facilities and other maintenance activities that are not permitted under SMP.

As required under the SMP permitting, Valley Water submitted its annual Notice of Proposed Work (NPW) on April 15, 2022. As of July 25, 2022, complete agency approvals have been received for a total of 96 projects. This project list included: 15 bank stabilizations, 11 sediment removals, 1 animal damage management project, 2 revegetation mitigation projects and 67 vegetation management projects.

The third iteration of SMP (SMP3) is currently being developed through scoping with regulatory permitting agencies and manual revisions. The Notice of Preparation (NOP) for CEQA was released for comment and a public meeting was held on June 16, 2022.

The Countywide Invasive Plant Management Program (IIPMP) was approved by the Board of Directors on July 12, 2022. The IIPMP is currently in the early scoping stages and will cover CEQA, permits and a manual production before being implemented in ~2025. This program is funded by the Water Enterprise Fund, and Safe Clean Water's Priority D2.

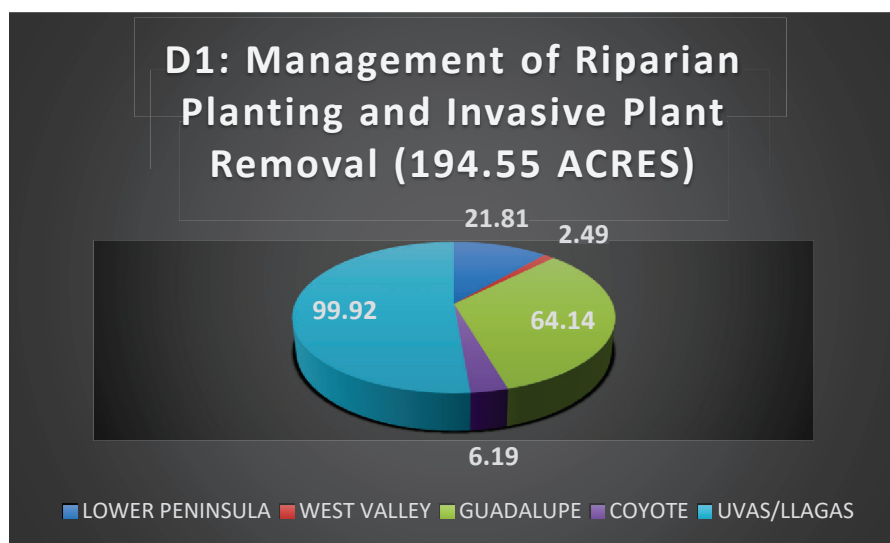
Work Status: The following includes select projects and work activities either completed and/or ongoing during this reporting period.

WORK TYPE	LOCATION	MUNICIPALITY	DISTRICT (DIRECTOR)	STATUS
Sediment removal	Calabazas Creek downstream of Comer Drive	Saratoga	5 (Hsueh)	Completed 7/7/22 (started 6/15/22)
Instream habitat improvement	Uvas Creek Upstream of Miller Avenue	Gilroy	1 (Varela)	Ongoing; started 6/15/22
Bank protection	Ross Creek downstream of Leigh Avenue	San Jose	4 (LeZotte)	Ongoing; started 6/21/22

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Bank protection	Regnart Creek downstream of Antoinette Drive	Cupertino	5 (Hsueh)	Ongoing; started 6/23/22
Bank (levee) protection	Canoas Creek downstream of Nightingale Drive	San Jose	6 (Estremera)	Ongoing; started 6/24/22
Bank (levee) protection	Coyote Creek upstream of McCarthy Boulevard	Milpitas	3 (Santos)	Ongoing; started 6/27/22

Safe Clean Water Priority D1: Management of Riparian Planting and Invasive Plant Removal



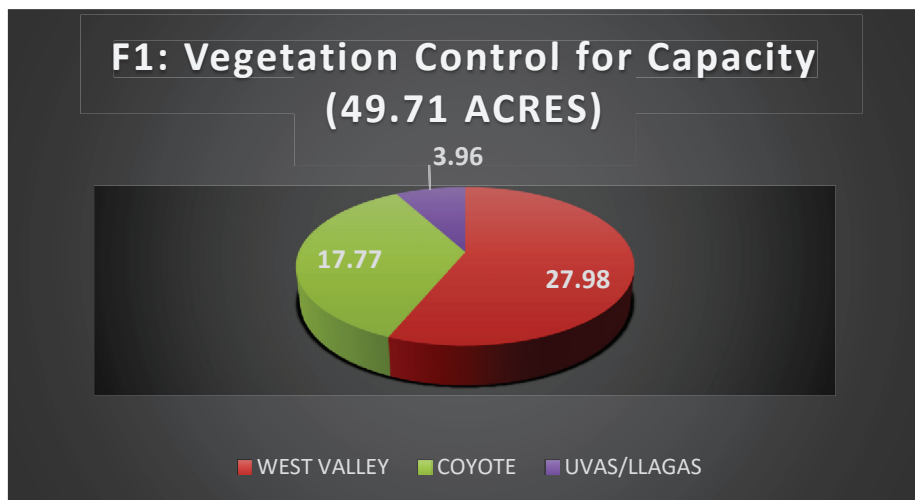
1. Maintain a minimum of 300 acres of riparian planting projects annually to meet regulatory requirements and conditions.

2. Maintain a minimum of 200 acres of invasive plant management projects annually to meet regulatory requirements and condition.

3. Remove 25 acres of *Arundo donax* throughout the county over a 15-year period.

The chart at left shows the work completed between June 15 - July 15, 2022

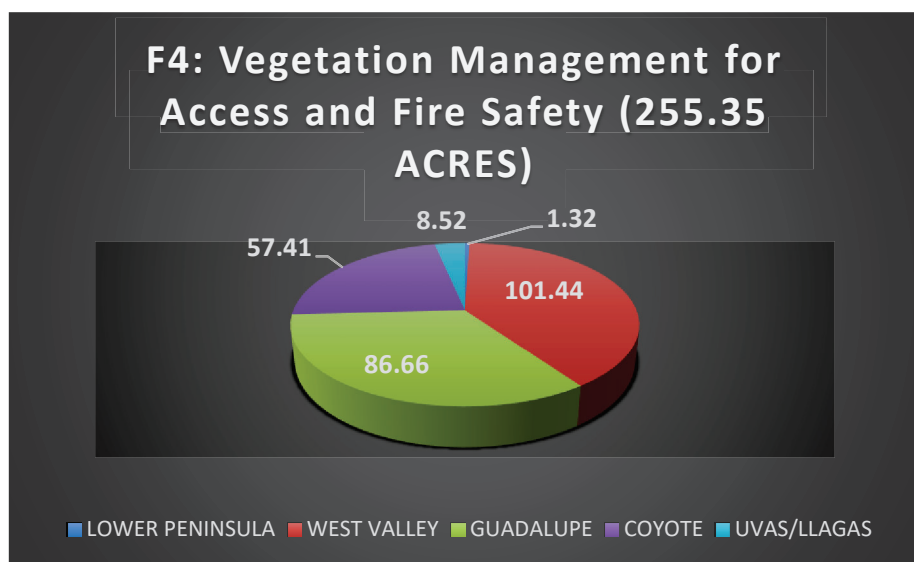
Safe Clean Water Priority F1: Vegetation Control for Capacity



Maintain completed flood protection projects for flow conveyance.

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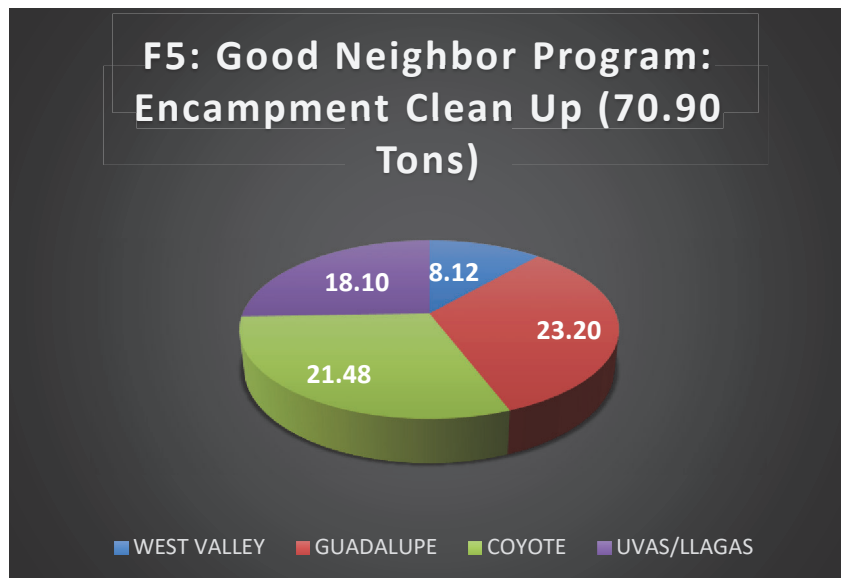
Safe Clean Water Priority F4: Vegetation Management for Access and Fire Safety



Provide vegetation management for access and fire risk reduction along levee, property lines and maintenance roads, over a 15-year period.

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Safe Clean Water Priority F5: Good Neighbor Program: Encampment Clean Up

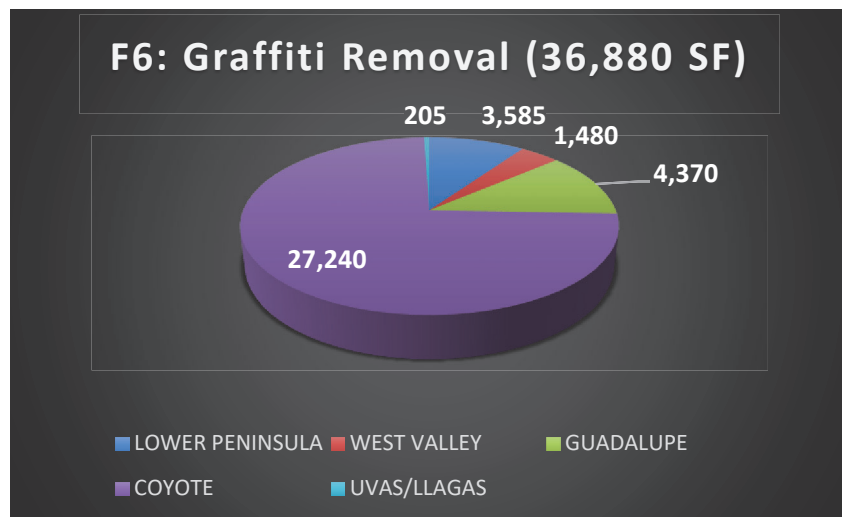


1. Perform 300 annual cleanups to reduce the amount of trash and pollutants entering streams.

2. Provide up to \$500,000 per year in cost-share with local agencies for services related to encampment cleanups, including services supporting staff safety, discouraging re-encampments along waterways, or addressing the homelessness crisis with the goal of reducing the need for encampment cleanups.

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Safe Clean Water Priority F6: Graffiti and Litter Removal and Public Art



1. Cleanup identified trash and graffiti hotspots at approximately 80 sites four (4) times per year.

2. Respond to requests on litter or graffiti cleanup within five (5) working days.

3. Provide up to \$1.5 million over 15 years to implement public art projects on Valley Water property and infrastructure.

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It does not include encampment generated trash and debris.

The information in this report has been provided by Valley Water staff for Watersheds O&M work between June 15 and July 15, 2022. As information is gathered, some of the data reported here may change.

For questions or further information, please contact Rechelle Blank, Chief Operating Officer Watersheds, at (408) 630-2615.

INCOMING BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Report Name: Correspondence (open)

Correspond No	Rec'd By District	Rec'd By COB	Letter To	Letter From	Description	Disposition	BAO/ Chief	Staff	Draft Response Due Date	Draft Response Submitted	Writer Ack. Sent	Final Response Due Date
C-22-0114	07/07/22	07/07/22	All	ERIN GIL Grass Farm	Letter from Erin Gil, President, Santa Clara County Farm Bureau, to Chair Pro Tem Varela, dated 07/07/22, regarding Request to Recognize Growers as Land-Use Stewards, Contributors to Groundwater Recharge.	Refer to Staff	Baker	Williams	07/15/22		n/a	07/21/22
C-22-0131	08/01/22	08/01/22	All	DANNY GARZA	Email from Danny Garza, to the Board of Directors, dated 08/01/22, regarding Homeless Activity Underneath the Pedestrian Bridge over Lower Silver Creek at Plata Arroyo Park.	Refer to Staff	Blank	Codiann e	08/09/22	08/04/22	n/a	08/15/22
C-22-0134	08/08/22	08/09/22	All	ALIE SAAD	Letter from Alie H. Saad, PH.D, to the Board of Directors, dated 08/04/22, regarding Retrofit Project of Anderson Lake Dam.	Refer to Staff	Richards on	Hakes	08/17/22	08/09/22	n/a	08/23/22
C-22-0135	08/09/22	08/09/22	All	BEN EICHENBERG	Letter from Ben Eichenberg, to the Board of Directors, dated 08/09/22, regarding Petition for Action to Valley Water Board.	Refer to Staff	Blank	Bourgeois	08/17/22		n/a	08/23/22