



SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

NON-AGENDA

December 17, 2021

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

Page	<u>CEO BULLETIN & NEWSLETTERS</u>
	CEO Bulletin: None.
	<u>BOARD MEMBER REQUESTS & INFORMATIONAL ITEMS</u>
4	BMR/IBMR Weekly Reports: 12/16/21
5	Email from John Bourgeois, DOO, Watersheds, to Sue Tippets, COO, Watersheds, dated 12/10/21, regarding Completion of Singleton Road Fish Passage Barrier Removal.
	<u>INCOMING BOARD CORRESPONDENCE</u>
8	Board Correspondence Weekly Report: 12/16/21
9	Email from Roger Costa, to Director Hsueh, dated 12/6/21, regarding Valley Waters Surface Water Accounts (C-21-0188).
10	Email from Dom Cortese, to Chair Estremera, dated 12/8/21, regarding the Cortese Bro's Water System (C-21-0189).
11	Email from Libby Lucas, to the Board of Directors, dated 12/9/21, regarding Stevens Creek Reservoir Drinking Water Quality (C-21-0190).
12	Letter from Cindy Lee Russell, M.D., President, Santa Clara County Medical Association, to the Board of Directors, dated 12/10/21, regarding Support for the Water Purification System (C-21-0191).
13	Letter from Jeff Cattaneo, District Manager, San Benito County Water District, to the Board of Directors, dated 12/10/21, regarding Support for the Pacheco Reservoir Expansion Project (C-21-0192).
15	Email from Loren Brown, CC to Director Kremen, dated 12/14/21, regarding Palo Alto Tidal Flood Protection Levees (C-21-0193).
	<u>OUTGOING BOARD CORRESPONDENCE</u>
19	Email from Director Hsueh, to Joe Wilson, dated 12/14/21, regarding Water Rates and Usage (C-21-0184).
24	Email from Chair Estremera, to Kamron Roshann, dated 12/14/21, regarding Protest of Valley Water Bid (C-21-0179).

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CEO BULLETIN

BOARD MEMBER REQUESTS and Informational Items

Report Name: Board Member Requests

Request	Request Date	Director	BAO/Chief	Staff	Description	20 Days Due Date	Expected Completion Date	Disposition
R-21-0007	12/14/21	Santos	Tippets	Codianne	Send letters/communications to creek owners, i.e. cities, County, school districts, private property owners, etc. requesting that they remove debris/obstructions on the portion(s) of the creek which they own.	01/03/22		



MEMORANDUM

FC 14 (08-21-19)

TO: Sue Tippets
FROM: John Bourgeois
SUBJECT: Completion of Singleton Road Fish Passage Barrier Removal
DATE: 12/10/2021


Project Summary

The new Singleton Bridge is now open to the public. The former Singleton Road crossing, a set of culverts installed in the late 1800s, blocked fish passage for over 120 years. In recent years, the road has been used as the Coyote Creek Bike and Pedestrian Trail. In fall 2021, the road was replaced with a bridge constructed out of recycled rail cars. Thanks to the collaborative efforts of the City of San Jose and Valley Water, pedestrians and cyclists now have increased safety crossing the creek, and wildlife including Steelhead, have improved access to an additional 17 miles of upstream habitat.

Through Valley Water's Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program, the City of San Jose received \$1 million to complete the bridge and habitat restoration project. The Safe, Clean Water Program provides approximately \$47 million annually for local projects to deliver safe, clean water, natural flood protection, and environmental stewardship to all the communities Valley Water serves in Santa Clara County.

To learn more about Valley Water's Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program and the projects it helps fund, visit <https://www.valleywater.org/safe-clean-water-and-natural-flood-protection-program>.

The Singleton bridge project is a great example of multi-agency teamwork to complete a project that benefits trail users, enhances security access to protect the public, and removes a significant fish passage barrier for Steelhead, a threatened species under the Endangered Species Act. The City of San Jose and Valley Water worked carefully together to complete this project with input from State and Federal Environmental Permitting Agencies. Valley Water staff are proud to have contributed to the hydraulic design, environmental permitting, and funding for this project, and we thank the City of San Jose for administering construction of the project.

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John Bourgeois,
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Cc: L. Bankosh, K. Sibley, J. Michelsen

Singleton Road with two small pipes before the new bridge was installed.

