

July 21, 2021

MEETING NOTICE & REQUEST FOR RSVP**TO: SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER COMMISSION****Municipality**

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The regular meeting of the Santa Clara Valley Water Commission is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, **July 28, 2021, at 11:00 a.m.**, Join via Zoom Link: <https://valleywater.zoom.us/j/91095453959>

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

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



Further, a quorum must be present on the day of the scheduled meeting to call the meeting to order and take action on agenda items. Members with two or more consecutive unexcused absences will be subject to rescinded membership.

Please confirm your attendance **no later than Friday, July 23, 2021; noon** by contacting Glenna Brambill at 1-408-630-2408, or gbrambill@valleywater.org.

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Santa Clara Valley Water District Santa Clara Valley Water Commission Meeting

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REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

**Wednesday, July 28, 2021
11:00 AM**

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

Hon. Pam Foley, Chair
Hon. Lynette Lee Eng, Vice Chair

Director Tony Estremera
Director Nai Hsueh
Director Gary Kremen

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Ms. Melanie Richardson
Ms. Rachael Gibson
(Staff Liaisons)

Ms. Glenna Brambill
(Commission Liaison)
Management Analyst II
gbrambill@valleywater.org
1-408-630-2408

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

Santa Clara Valley Water District
Santa Clara Valley Water Commission
REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA

Wednesday, July 28, 2021

11:00 AM

Teleconference via Zoom

IMPORTANT NOTICES

This meeting is being held in accordance with the Brown Act as currently in effect under the State Emergency Services Act, the Governor's Emergency Declaration related to COVID-19, and the Governor's Executive Order N-08-21 issued on June 11, 2021, that allows attendance by members of the Committee, staff, and the public to participate and conduct the meeting by teleconference, videoconference, or both..

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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 Minutes.

[21-0789](#)

Recommendation: Approve the April 14, 2021, Meeting Minutes.

Manager: Michele King, 408-630-2711

Attachments: [Attachment 1: 04142021 Water Comm Draft Mins](#)

4. ACTION ITEMS:

- 4.1. Water Shortage Emergency Condition and Call for Conservation. [21-0790](#)

Recommendation: Receive information on the Water Shortage Emergency Condition and Call for Conservation, including partnership with the County, cities, and other agencies.

Manager: Don Rocha, 408-630-2338

Attachments: [Attachment 1: Valley Water Resolution Declaring Emergency Dro](#)
[Attachment 2: Santa Clara County Emergency Proclamation](#)
[Attachment 3: List Rebate Programs](#)
[Attachment 4: PowerPoint Water Shortage](#)

Est. Staff Time: 60 Minutes

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. ADJOURN:

- 6.1. Adjourn to Regular Meeting at 12:00 p.m., on October 27, 2021, to be called to order in compliance with the State Emergency Services Act, the Governor's Emergency Declaration related to COVID-19, and the Governor's Executive Order N-08-21.



Santa Clara Valley Water District

File No.: 21-0789

Agenda Date: 7/28/2021
Item No.: 3.1.

COMMITTEE AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Santa Clara Valley Water Commission

SUBJECT:

Approval of Minutes.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the April 14, 2021, Meeting Minutes.

SUMMARY:

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

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

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1: 04142021 WC Draft Meeting Minutes.

UNCLASSIFIED MANAGER:

Michele King, 408-630-2711



SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER COMMISSION MEETING

DRAFT MINUTES

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14, 2021
11:00 AM**

(Paragraph numbers coincide with agenda item numbers)

A regular meeting of the Santa Clara Valley Water Commission (Commission) was held on April 14, 2021. Teleconference via Zoom in San Jose, California.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Chair Hon. Pam Foley called the meeting to order at 11:03 a.m. A quorum of 18 was established.

Members in attendance were:

<u>Municipality</u>	<u>Representative</u>	<u>Alternate</u>
City of Campbell	Hon. Susan M. Landry	
City of Cupertino	Hon. Hung Wei	
City of Gilroy	Hon. Peter Leroe-Muñoz	
City of Los Altos	Hon. Lynette Lee Eng	
Town of Los Altos Hills	Hon. Courtenay Corrigan	
Town of Los Gatos	Hon. Maria Ristow	
City of Milpitas	Hon. Carmen Montano	
Town of Monte Sereno	Hon. Liz Lawler	
City of Morgan Hill	Hon. Rich Constantine	
City of Mountain View	Hon. Lucas Ramirez	
City of Palo Alto	Hon. Greg Tanaka	
City of San José	Hon. Pam Foley	
City of Santa Clara	Hon. Karen Hardy	
City of Saratoga	Hon. Rishi Kumar	
City of Sunnyvale	Hon. Omar Din	
County of Santa Clara	Hon. Mike Wasserman	
Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority	Hon. Mike Flaughner	
Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District	Hon. Jed Cyr	

Members not in attendance were:

<u>Municipality</u>	<u>Representative</u>	<u>Alternate</u>
City of Campbell		Hon. Sergio Lopez
City of Cupertino		Hon. Jon Wiley
City of Gilroy		Hon. Fred Tovar
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City of Sunnyvale		Hon. Mason Fong
County of Santa Clara		Hon. Cindy Chavez
Midpeninsula Regional		Hon. Yoriko Kishimoto
Open Space District		

Board members in attendance were: Director Tony Estremera (Board Representative), Director Nai Hsueh (Board Alternate), and Director Gary Kremen (Board Representative).

Staff members in attendance were: Jennifer Abadilla, Aaron Baker, Lisa Bankosh, Glenna Brambill, Rick Callender, Andrew Gschwind, Candice Kwok-Smith, Carmen Narayanan, Melanie Richardson, Donald Rocha, Darin Taylor, and Bhavani Yerrapotu.

Guests in attendance were: Hon. Helen Chapman (Open Space Authority), Christopher Hoem (Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors), Karla Dailey (City of Palo Alto), Mansour Nasser (City of Sunnyvale), Tony Ndah (City of Milpitas), James Sylvain (City of Morgan Hill), John Tang (San Jose Water Company), Director John L. Varela (Valley Water, District 1), Gary Welling (City of Santa Clara), Kat Wilson (City of San José).

Public in attendance were: Rhoda Fry, Sharon Luna, Matt Morley, and Bill Rankin.

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

There was no one present who wished to speak.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Hon. Mike Wasserman, seconded by Hon. Rich Constantine, and by roll call and majority vote (16 yes votes), to approve the January 27, 2021, Santa Clara Valley Water Commission meeting minutes as presented. Hon. Karen Hardy and Hon. Mike Flaughner abstained.

4. ACTION ITEMS

4.1 REVIEW AND COMMENT TO THE BOARD ON THE FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 PROPOSED GROUNDWATER PRODUCTION CHARGES

Mr. Darin Taylor reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item.

The Santa Clara Valley Water Commission discussed the following: rates, Pacheco Reservoir Expansion Project, recycling, purification, long-term planning, drought, tiered pricing, water storage and development projects, Urban Water Management Plan, Retailers increases, arena allocations, discretionary open space funds, agricultural rates, Measure S passage, County tax, Landscape Rebate Program, suggested rebuilding Anderson Dam ½ the size by building purifications plants, stormwater capture, high density housing (lot splitting), current water infrastructure-urban planning, lobbying for Biden's Infrastructure Bill, not raising rates, desalination and property taxes.

Mr. Aaron Baker, Mr. Rick Callender, Ms. Melanie Richardson were available to answer questions.

Ms. Rhoda Fry commented on concerns with the following:

- Lehigh Quarry and Cement Plant (Cupertino), wastewater, Permanente Creek, crumbling infrastructure, Stevens Creek Reservoir, and water quality (being free of contaminants).

The Water Commission took the following action:

The Commission voted by roll call and majority vote (12 Ayes/6 Nays) to approve not increasing the Groundwater Production Charges along with several additional recommendations:

- The Board of Directors to write a letter to retailers in support of tiered rates and low-income programs,
- Keep the Agricultural rates/State Water Project taxes as low as possible,
- Look at other resources such as purification (building plants-1/2 size of dams), recycling, desalination, stormwater capture, and Federal funding (President Biden's Infrastructure Bill-Lobbying for funds), and
- Consider urban planning and housing-development concerns and have Valley Water engage with local agencies.

4.2 PUBLIC TRAILS ON VALLEY WATER LANDS: POLICY CRITERIA AND GUIDANCE

The Water Commission passed on this agenda item because of time constraints.

4.3 REVIEW SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER COMMISSION WORK PLAN, THE OUTCOMES OF BOARD ACTION OF COMMISSION REQUESTS AND THE COMMISSION'S NEXT MEETING AGENDA

Ms. Glenna Brambill reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item.

The Water Commission voted by roll call and unanimous vote (12 Ayes/6 Nays) to cancel July 28, 2021, meeting.

5. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

5.1 STANDING ITEMS REPORT

Ms. Glenna Brambill reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item.

The Santa Clara Valley Water Commission took no action.

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

Ms. Glenna Brambill reported there were two action items

Agenda Item 4.1

The Commission voted by roll call and majority vote (12 Ayes/6 Nays) to approve not increasing the Groundwater Production Charges along with several additional recommendations:

- The Board of Directors to write a letter to retailers in support of tiered rates and low-income programs,
- Keep the Agricultural rates/State Water Project taxes as low as possible,
- Look at other resources such as purification (building plants-1/2 size of dams), recycling, desalination, stormwater capture, and Federal funding (President Biden's Infrastructure Bill-Lobbying for funds), and
- Consider urban planning and housing-development concerns and have Valley Water engage with local agencies.

Agenda Item 4.3

The Water Commission by roll call and unanimous vote approved to cancel the Santa Clara Valley Water Commission's July 28, 2021, meeting.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Hon. Pam Foley adjourned at 12:53 p.m. to the next regular meeting on Wednesday, October 28, 2021, at 12:00 p.m., to be called to order in compliance with the State Emergency Services Act, the Governor's Emergency Declaration related to COVID-19, and the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20.

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

Approved:



Santa Clara Valley Water District

File No.: 21-0790

Agenda Date: 7/28/2021

Item No.: 4.1.

COMMITTEE AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Santa Clara Valley Water Commission

SUBJECT:

Water Shortage Emergency Condition and Call for Conservation.

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive information on the Water Shortage Emergency Condition and Call for Conservation, including partnership with the County, cities, and other agencies.

SUMMARY:

Drought Conditions

On June 9, 2021, the Santa Clara Valley Water District (“Valley Water”) Board of Directors (the “Board”) declared a water shortage emergency condition pursuant to California Water Code §350; called for water use restrictions of 15% compared to 2019; and urged the County of Santa Clara to proclaim a local emergency (Attachment 1).

Reflecting critically dry conditions across the state, the Central Valley Project and State Water Project have drastically reduced imported water allocations, which comprise half of Valley Water’s typical annual water supply. Valley Water has been negotiating purchases of emergency transfer water supplies; however, potential state regulatory actions pose significant uncertainty to water transfers.

Furthermore, Valley Water is impacted by the unavailability of Anderson Reservoir as a surface water storage facility for the duration of the Anderson Dam Seismic Retrofit Project, which is expected to last 10 years. The loss of Anderson, lower imported water supplies, and uncertainty over emergency water transfers can result in rapid and significant drops in our groundwater levels and resulting in the potential for subsidence and dry wells. In South County, groundwater is the only drinking water supply.

Consequently, water conservation is an important strategy to help alleviate these negative impacts.

County Emergency Declaration

On June 22, the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors adopted a resolution (Attachment 2) ratifying the June 15, 2021, Proclamation of Local Emergency by the Director of Emergency Services related to extreme drought conditions in Santa Clara County. The County’s actions are consistent with the Valley Water’s prior request for the County to proclaim a local emergency due to the current extreme drought and water supply conditions. The staff recommendation stated that approving the action would ensure the County can timely respond to needs associated with extreme drought conditions and current and anticipated water shortages to meet local needs.

Partnership with Cities and Retailers on Drought Response and Water Conservation

Valley Water staff is working with our municipal partners (the County and cities) and retailers to urge them to consider the adoption and enforcement of mandatory water use restrictions as soon as possible while encouraging consistency across jurisdictions to foster a unified message on water conservation. Looking to the future, Valley Water seeks to work with municipal staff to determine what action(s) may be necessary by their legislative bodies to help support this coordinated countywide effort to conserve water, including potential updates to their specific conservation measures.

The Valley Water Board resolution commits to aggressively promote water conservation programs to all water users. A list of Valley Water conservation and rebate programs is attached (Attachment 3). Specific example actions that the resolution supports for implementation and enforcement, were taken from the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) list of recommended measures to address water waste, and they are as follows.

- Minimize watering ornamental landscape with potable water, including requirements for limiting watering days and times
- Prohibiting excessive use of water
- Prohibiting runoff of potable water
- Restrictions on vehicle washing to avoid wasteful use, including requirements for recycling water
- Prohibition on washing buildings, driveways and other hard surfaced areas, except where health and safety are at risk
- Prohibition on using potable water for street cleaning
- Avoiding wasteful water use at construction sites
- Use of potable water for decorative fountains, decorative lakes or ponds
- Use of potable water for filling or refilling swimming pools
- Service of water by any restaurant except upon the request of a patron
- Prohibiting the use of potable water to flush hydrants except where required for public health and safety.

Valley Water's goal is a uniform, comprehensive approach to water conservation across Santa Clara County, and also to help promote actions residents can take to be proactive in saving water and money. Valley Water understands that many municipalities already have implemented restrictions on water waste or are in the process of bringing additional drought restrictions to their legislative bodies, and staff has been working with those municipalities to ensure consistency in restrictions as much as practicable.

Beyond drought response, Valley Water is working with the municipalities to urge them to adopt all or parts of the Model Water Efficiency New Development Ordinance to ensure water conservation becomes a way of life in Santa Clara County. This model ordinance was developed by Valley Water and the cities during the previous drought and contains several recommendations for requirements on new development, including but not limited to:

- Require hot water recirculation for single-family development
- Pre-plumb all new single-family development for graywater collection, treatment, and redistribution
- Pre-plumb all new multi-family and non-residential development for alternative water sources
- Mandate reuse water connections for common areas in HOA developments
- Outlaw the sale of non-compliant fixtures

Valley Water is continuing to work with municipalities in Santa Clara County to implement the model ordinance as well as other municipal actions in response to the critical water supply conditions.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1: Valley Water Resolution Declaring Emergency Drought Condition

Attachment 2: Santa Clara County Emergency Proclamation

Attachment 3: List of Valley Water Conservation and Rebate Programs

Attachment 4: PowerPoint Presentation Water Shortage Contingency

UNCLASSIFIED MANAGER:

Don Rocha, 408-630-2338

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT**

RESOLUTION NO. 21-68

**RESCINDING RESOLUTION 17-43, DECLARING A WATER SHORTAGE
EMERGENCY CONDITION CALLING FOR WATER USE RESTRICTIONS, AND
URGING THE COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA TO PROCLAIM A LOCAL EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on June 9, 2021, on the matter of whether the Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water) Board of Directors should declare that a water shortage emergency condition exists within Santa Clara County (County); and

WHEREAS, notice of said hearing was published on June 2, 2021, in the *San Jose Mercury News*, a newspaper of general circulation printed and published within the County; and

WHEREAS, at said hearing, all persons present were given an opportunity to be heard by the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board heard and considered public testimony, staff's presentation, and other evidence presented at said hearing; and

WHEREAS, the County is in its second consecutive year of drought, and the County is now in an extreme drought condition according to the United States Drought Monitor; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Water Code Section 350 a "governing body of a distributor of a public water supply, whether publicly or privately owned and including a mutual water company, shall declare a water shortage emergency condition to prevail within the area served by such distributor whenever it finds and determines that the ordinary demands and requirements of water consumers cannot be satisfied without depleting the water supply of the distributor to the extent that there would be insufficient water for human consumption, sanitation, and fire protection"; and

WHEREAS, the Board seeks to conserve the limited water supply of Valley Water for the greatest public benefit with particular regard to public health, fire protection, and domestic use without threatening local land subsidence, by ensuring the conservation of water, by avoiding the waste of water, and to the extent necessary and by reason of the existing water shortage emergency condition, by reducing water use in the County in a manner that is fair and equitable; and

WHEREAS, on March 22, 2021, the California State Water Resources Control Board mailed early warning notices to water rights holders in California, including Valley Water, urging them to plan for potential shortages by reducing water use and adopting practical conservation measures; and

WHEREAS, local watershed runoff was substantially limited in the 2020 and 2021 water years due to extreme dry conditions and Valley Water's current local surface water storage as of June 1 is at 26 percent of the 20-year average; and

WHEREAS, Anderson Reservoir is Valley Water's largest surface water reservoir and holds up to 89,278 acre-feet of water—more than all of Valley Water's other nine surface water reservoirs combined; and

WHEREAS, on February 20, 2020, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, for public health and safety reasons, ordered Valley Water to drain Anderson Reservoir to deadpool beginning no later than October 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Anderson Reservoir has been drained to deadpool and will not be available as a surface water storage facility for the duration of the Anderson Dam Seismic Retrofit Project, which is expected to last 10 years; and

WHEREAS, the availability of Coyote Reservoir, Valley Water's second largest reservoir, is also limited because of California Department of Water Resources Division of Safety of Dams storage limits; and

WHEREAS, due to the unavailability of Anderson Reservoir and limited availability of Coyote Reservoir due to regulatory restrictions, Valley Water's ability to store water locally for groundwater recharge and water treatment plant supplies, and as a buffer to mitigate against current and future water shortages, is significantly limited; and

WHEREAS, the snowpack in the northern Sierra Nevada Mountains was 5 percent of normal and the statewide snow water equivalent was zero percent of normal as of June 1, 2021; and the 2021 State Water Project allocation is 5 percent, and the 2021 South-of-Delta Central Valley Project allocation is currently 25 percent for Municipal & Industrial water and zero percent for Agricultural water; and

WHEREAS, there is significant uncertainty as to local and statewide water supply conditions, and imported supplies may continue to be negatively impacted; and

WHEREAS, Santa Clara County relies heavily on unpredictable imported water to supplement local water to supply its drinking water treatment plants, to replenish the local groundwater basins, and to prevent adverse community impacts such as the return of historic overdraft and land subsidence in northern Santa Clara County; and

WHEREAS, through careful groundwater management, Santa Clara County groundwater storage at the start of 2021 was well within the "Normal" stage (Stage 1) of Valley Water's Water Shortage Contingency Plan, but without additional water use reduction this storage is expected to drop significantly by as much as 80,000 acre-feet by the end of 2021 due to limited recharge and increased pumping as a result of drought conditions, reduced imported water allocations, and the loss of Anderson Reservoir as a surface water storage facility; and

WHEREAS, if drought conditions continue into 2022 and imported water supplies continue to be severely limited, the worst case scenario projects groundwater to drop to the "Emergency" stage (Stage 5) of the Water Shortage Contingency Plan without additional water use reduction, which would greatly increase the risk of resumed land subsidence in northern Santa Clara County, risk wells going dry in residential areas of the County where groundwater is the sole source of drinking water, and risk that the ordinary demands and requirements of water consumers will not be satisfied without depleting the water supply to the extent that there would be insufficient water for human consumption, sanitation, and fire protection; and

WHEREAS, due to historic groundwater overdraft, the greater San José metropolitan area and heart of Silicon Valley had up to 14 feet of permanent subsidence, which resulted in seawater

intrusion, increased flood risk, and widespread damage to infrastructure, conservatively estimated to cost over \$947 million in 2021 dollars; and

WHEREAS, over 3,000 domestic wells users in southern Santa Clara County depend on groundwater for potable water supplies and these wells are often more vulnerable than public water supply wells, which are typically deeper; and

WHEREAS, Valley Water must maintain sufficient groundwater storage to guard against land subsidence, meet local water demands, cope with supply interruptions from natural disasters and ensure sufficient water for fire protection; and

WHEREAS, it is Valley Water's policy and is in the interest of Valley Water and the community to reduce the severity and occurrences of drought or dry weather induced water shortages by encouraging water use reduction measures so that available water supplies can meet at least 80 percent of average annual demand in drought years; and

WHEREAS, Santa Clara County and the region are subject to reoccurring droughts of varying severity, such as those prompting Valley Water to call for water use reductions in 1977, 1987 to 1992, 2007 to 2010; and

WHEREAS, Santa Clara County and California experienced a historic, multiyear drought from 2012 to 2016, prompting Valley Water to call for mandatory water use reductions between 20 to 30 percent since 2014; and

WHEREAS, on June 13, 2017, by Resolution 17-43, Valley Water continued its call for a voluntary 20 percent water use reduction (as compared to 2013 water use), and called for efforts to make water conservation a way of life; and

WHEREAS, on April 27, 2021, the Board voted to call for a voluntary 25 percent water use reduction (as compared to 2013 water use); and

WHEREAS, continuing the progress and momentum of community water use reductions and water wise efforts to make water conservation a way of life will improve long-term water supply reliability; and

WHEREAS, increasing long-term water conservation efforts and improving water use efficiency; strengthening local and regional drought planning; and increasing water supply and land use planning coordination are critical to Santa Clara County's resilience to drought, which may be intensified in the future with climate change; and

WHEREAS, Valley Water continues to work closely with its retail water agencies, untreated surface water customers, well owners, farmers, regulatory agencies, state and federal project operators, other water districts, and local municipalities and land use agencies to develop common sense approaches with the goal of achieving drought resiliency.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Santa Clara Valley Water District hereby:

1. Rescinds Board Resolution 17-43; and
2. Declares pursuant to California Water Code Section 350 that a water shortage emergency condition now prevails within the County and a continued supply of water cannot be assured for human consumption, sanitation, and fire protection without threatening local land subsidence, and that such water shortage emergency condition shall continue until the Valley Water's Board adopts a finding determining otherwise; and
3. Establishes a water reduction program pursuant to Article C(4)(c) of Valley Water's treated water contracts by calling for water retailers to achieve a water use reduction equal to 33 percent of 2013 water use (15 percent of 2019 water use), which will result in a 23 percent reduction of Valley Water treated water scheduled deliveries to water retailers while such water reduction program is in effect; and
4. Commits to aggressively promote its conservation programs and information for the public, residents, businesses, agricultural and untreated water customers, and retailers to support all sectors in reducing water use; and
5. Urges Santa Clara County farmers and untreated water customers to consider the water shortage emergency condition in planting and irrigation practices; and
6. Calls for the public to restrict outdoor watering of ornamental landscapes or lawns with potable water to a maximum of three days a week; and
7. Urges local enforcement of other water waste restrictions currently in effect by local agencies and retailers, or as may be amended; and
8. Requests that the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors proclaim a local emergency now exists throughout the County due to drought conditions; and
9. Supports local adoption and enforcement of additional water waste restrictions by cities, retailers, and the County as needed to achieve the water use reduction target of 15 percent of 2019 water use (33 percent of 2013 water use); these may include prohibitions against the following:
 - Use of potable water for more than minimal landscaping, as defined in the landscaping regulated of the jurisdiction or as described in Article 10.8 of the California Government Code in connection with new construction;
 - Excessive use of water: when a utility has notified the customer in writing to repair a broken or defective plumbing, sprinkler, watering or irrigation system and the customer has failed to affect such repairs within five business days, the utility may install a flow restriction device;
 - Use of potable water that results in flooding or runoff in gutters or streets;

- Individual private washing of cars with a hose except with the use of a positive action shut-off nozzle. Use of potable water for washing commercial aircraft, cars, buses, boats, trailers, or other commercial vehicles at any time, except at commercial or fleet vehicle or boat washing facilities operated at a fixed location where equipment using water is properly maintained to avoid wasteful use;
 - Use of potable water for washing buildings, structures, driveways, patios, parking lots, tennis courts, or other hard-surfaced areas, except in the cases where health and safety are at risk;
 - Use of potable water to irrigate turf, lawns, gardens, or ornamental landscaping by means other than drip irrigation, or hand watering without quick acting positive action shut-off nozzles, on a specific schedule, for example: 1) before 9:00 a.m. and after 5:00 p.m.; 2) every other day; or 3) selected days of the week;
 - Use of potable water for street cleaning with trucks, except for initial wash-down for construction purposes (if street sweeping is not feasible), or to protect the health and safety of the public;
 - Use of potable water for construction purposes, such as consolidation of backfill, dust control, or other uses unless no other source of water or other method can be used;
 - Use of potable water for construction purposes unless no other source of water or other method can be used;
 - Use of potable water for street cleaning;
 - Operation of commercial car washes without recycling at least 50 percent of the potable water used per cycle;
 - Use of potable water for watering outside plants, lawn, landscape, and turf areas during certain hours if and when specified in CPUC Tariff Schedule No. 14.1 when the schedule is in effect;
 - Use of potable water for decorative fountains or the filling or topping off of decorative lakes or ponds. Exceptions are made for those decorative fountains, lakes, or ponds which utilize recycled water;
 - Use of potable water for the filling or refilling of swimming pools;
 - Service of water by any restaurant except upon the request of a patron; and
 - Use of potable water to flush hydrants, except where required for public health or safety.
10. Recommends cities, retailers, and the County consider adopting water waste restrictions that are permanent.

Rescinding Resolution 17-43, Declaring a Water Shortage Emergency Condition Calling for
Water Use Restrictions, and Urging the County of Santa Clara to Proclaim a Local Emergency
Resolution No. 21-68

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Santa Clara Valley Water District by
the following vote on June 9, 2021:

AYES: Directors R. Santos, N. Hsueh, T. Estremera, B. Keegan, G. Kremen,
L. LeZotte, J. Varela
NOES: Directors None
ABSENT: Directors None
ABSTAIN: Directors None

SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT


TONY ESTREMERERA
Chair, Board of Directors

ATTEST: MICHELE L. KING, CMC


Clerk, Board of Directors

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA
RATIFYING THE JUNE 15, 2021 PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY
BY THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES
RELATING TO EXTREME DROUGHT CONDITIONS**

WHEREAS, Government Code section 8630 and County of Santa Clara (“County”) Ordinance Code section A8-9 authorize the Director of Emergency Services to proclaim a local emergency when Santa Clara County is threatened by conditions of disaster or extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within Santa Clara County that are or are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of the County, and the Board of Supervisors is not in session;

WHEREAS, the Director of Emergency Services proclaimed such a Local Emergency on June 15, 2021, based on conditions of extreme peril and the imminent and proximate threat to residents and the environment related to extreme drought conditions throughout Santa Clara County;

WHEREAS, in recognition of the extreme drought conditions, on June 9, 2021, the Santa Clara Valley Water District declared a water shortage emergency condition in Santa Clara County, and further requested that the County proclaim a local emergency in Santa Clara County;

WHEREAS, on May 10, 2021, Governor Gavin Newsom proclaimed a state of emergency relating to the widespread drought conditions in California, but that proclamation does not include Santa Clara County; however, USDA Designation #S4916 - D2, D3, D4 Drought, currently lists Santa Clara County among the “Eligible Primary Counties,” and the U.S. Small Business Administration declared Santa Clara County among the primary counties forming a disaster area as a result of the USDA Designation; and

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WHEREAS, under County Ordinance Code section A8-9(a), the Board of Supervisors must ratify a Proclamation of Local Emergency issued by the Director of Emergency Services within 7 days or the proclamation shall have no further force or effect;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Clara that the June 15, 2021 Proclamation of Local Emergency by the Director of Emergency Services is hereby ratified, and shall remain in effect for 60 days until August 21, 2021, unless terminated earlier by the Board.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Clara, State of California, on _____ by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

MIKE WASSERMAN
President, Board of Supervisors

Signed and certified that a copy of this document has been delivered by electronic or other means to the President, Board of Supervisors.

ATTEST:

MEGAN DOYLE
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:



KAVITA NARAYAN
Assistant County Counsel

Exhibit A: June 15, 2021 Director of Emergency Services Local Emergency Proclamation

Resolution Ratifying June 15, 2021
Proclamation of Local Emergency by Director of Emergency Services
Relating to Drought Conditions

**PROCLAMATION OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY
BY THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES
RELATING TO EXTREME DROUGHT CONDITIONS**

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WHEREAS, the Director of Emergency Services finds that conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property have arisen within Santa Clara County due to the following:

1. Santa Clara County is in its second consecutive drought year as a result of extreme dry conditions; according to the United States Drought Monitor, a partnership of the National Drought Mitigation Center, the United States Department of Agriculture (“USDA”), and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Santa Clara County was in “D3 (Extreme Drought)” conditions as of June 8, 2021 (see <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/CurrentMap/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?CA>);
2. In areas under D3 (Extreme Drought) conditions, the United States Drought Monitor identifies impacts to pasture and livestock maintenance, health of fruit trees and maintenance of orchards, availability of federal water supplies available to meet agricultural irrigation contracts, quality of life in mountain communities, fish migration and survival rates, welfare of wildlife such as bears. In these conditions, water is inadequate for agriculture, wildlife, and urban needs; reservoirs are extremely low; water sanitation is a concern; wells and aquifer levels decrease, along with drying of surface water; and fire season lasts year-round and fires may occur in typically wet parts of the state;
3. Local surface water storage in Santa Clara County is at a historic low. Dry conditions in the past two years have significantly limited local watershed runoff;
4. In February 2020, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ordered the Santa Clara Valley Water District to drain Anderson Reservoir, by far the largest local surface water reservoir, for reasons of public safety as a seismic retrofit is undertaken. Anderson Reservoir is not expected to be available as a surface water storage facility for the anticipated 10-year duration of the retrofit project; in addition, Coyote Reservoir, the Santa Clara Valley Water District’s second-largest reservoir, is also

limited in its current surface water storage due to California Department of Water Resources Division of Safety of Dams storage limits;

5. Due to these significant limitations on local surface water storage, little water can be stored locally; as a result, Santa Clara County communities must rely heavily on imported water to meet local water demands and specifically to supplement local water for drinking water treatment plants, replenish local groundwater, prevent adverse community impacts such as land subsidence due to groundwater depletion, ensure sufficient water for fire protection, and ensure groundwater supply for households that depend on domestic wells for drinking water;
6. These imported water supplies are decreasing because of the historic dry season. In particular, the snowpack in the northern Sierra Nevada Mountains was 5% of normal levels and the statewide snow water equivalent was 0% of normal levels as of June 1, 2021. The depleted snowpack is causing a major reduction in the amount of imported water that will come into Santa Clara County this year, and there is ongoing uncertainty about local and statewide water supply conditions as reservoirs throughout the State are far below capacity;
7. If drought conditions continue into 2022 and imported water supplies continue to be severely limited, the Santa Clara Valley Water District projects the worst-case scenario to be that groundwater will drop to the “Emergency” stage (Stage 5), which would greatly increase the risk of resumed land subsidence in northern Santa Clara County, risk wells going dry in residential areas of Santa Clara County where groundwater is the sole source of drinking water, and risk that the ordinary demands and requirements of water consumers will not be satisfied without depleting the water supply to the extent that there would be insufficient water for human consumption, sanitation, and fire protection;

Based on these conditions, there is an extreme threat to the safety of persons and property within the County that is, or is likely to be, beyond the ability of the County’s resources to contain; and

WHEREAS, Government Code section 8558(c) recognizes “drought” among the conditions constituting a local emergency; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of the above conditions, on June 9, 2021, the Santa Clara Valley Water District declared a water shortage emergency condition in Santa Clara County, and further requested that the County proclaim a local emergency in Santa Clara County due to drought conditions; and

WHEREAS, on May 10, 2021, California Governor Gavin Newsom proclaimed a state of emergency relating to the widespread drought conditions, but that proclamation does not include Santa Clara County; however, USDA Designation #S4916 - D2, D3, D4 Drought, currently lists Santa Clara County among the “Eligible Primary Counties,” and the U.S. Small Business Administration declared Santa Clara County among the primary counties forming a disaster area as a result of the USDA Designation; and


WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors is not in session, and cannot immediately be called into session; and

WHEREAS, during a local emergency, the Director of Emergency Services or other person authorized to serve in that capacity under County Ordinance Code Section A8-8 is empowered by County Ordinance Code Section A8-15 to issue rules and regulations on matters reasonably related to the protection of life and property as affected by the emergency, provided they are confirmed at the earliest possible time by the Board of Supervisors;


NOW THEREFORE, the Director of Emergency Services hereby (1) proclaims that a local emergency, as defined in Government Code Section 8558 and County Ordinance Code Section A8-3, now exists within Santa Clara County; and (2) requests that the Governor of the State of California include Santa Clara County within the State’s drought emergency proclamation and request a federal declaration to provide assistance including, but not limited to, California Disaster Assistance Act (CDAA) and Federal Individual Assistance Act, to assist with losses and emergency repairs required in Santa Clara County, including its affected cities and special districts.

The local emergency shall not remain in effect for a period in excess of seven days unless it has been ratified by the Board of Supervisors.

Date: 6/15/2021
Time: 18:55

By: 
Jeffrey V. Smith
County Executive/Director of Emergency Services

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:


Kavita Narayan
Assistant County Counsel

Water Conservation Rebates and Programs



Water Conservation: Are You Drought Ready?

These rebates are designed to make water conservation easier, helping you to make your Santa Clara County home or business drought ready.

Online Shopping Cart

Chances are, you are using more water in your home or business than needed. Valley Water offers free water conservation devices that can help you save water. Visit cloud.valleywater.org/shopping-cart to order your **FREE** gear and literature today!



We're here to help!

To learn more about our rebate programs, including specific program details and contact information, please reach out to us. Since there are eligibility requirements for these rebate programs, **before purchasing equipment or starting any project, please check with us** via email, by phone or online.



(408) 630-2554



www.watersavings.org



conservation@valleywater.org

NOTE: All programs are subject to funding availability and certain restrictions apply. The rebate rate and maximum amounts **may be higher** in some areas.

Landscape Rebate Program

To start, submit an online application for approval and to be scheduled for a pre-inspection before beginning any work on your project. For more information or to schedule a pre-inspection, visit valleywater.dropletportal.com.

Landscape Conversion Rebates

Any property with qualifying high-water-using landscapes (i.e., irrigated turf or functional swimming pools) can receive a rebate of at least \$2/square foot for converting a high-water-using landscape to a low-water-using landscape.

Irrigation Equipment Upgrade Rebate

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

- Installation of a dedicated landscape meter, flow sensor or hydrometer for a rebate up to \$1,000.
- Replacement of old sprinkler nozzles and bodies with high-efficiency sprinkler nozzles (up to \$5 each).
- Replacement of old rotor sprinklers or spray bodies with either pressure regulation or check valves (up to \$20 each).
- Conversion of existing pop-up sprinklers to an inline drip irrigation system for a rebate of \$0.25/sq. ft.
- Installation of a rain sensor to avoid watering while it's raining for a rebate up to \$50.
- Conversion of an existing irrigation timer to a qualifying smart controller for a rebate up to:
 - » \$300 for 1-12 station controller
 - » \$1,000 for a 13-24 station controller
 - » \$2,000 for a 25+ station controller

Rainwater Capture Rebates

Rebates are available for rainwater capture installation or diversion efforts such as:

- Installation of a qualifying rain barrel to collect rain water from existing downspouts for a rebate of at least \$35/barrel.
- Diverting existing downspouts to qualifying cisterns to receive a rebate of at least \$0.50/gallon.
- Installation of a rain garden to collect roof water runoff for a rebate of at least \$1/square foot of roof area diverted, up to \$300.

Rebate Caps

All Landscape Rebate Program applicants will be held to a total rebate cap (for the Landscape Conversion Rebate, Rainwater Capture Rebate, and the Irrigation Equipment Upgrade Rebate combined).

- \$3,000 for single family and multi-family (4 or fewer units)
- \$50,000 for all commercial sites and multi-family (5 or more units).

Rebate caps may be higher in some areas.

Attachment 3

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Graywater Laundry to Landscape Rebate Program

Receive at least \$200 per residential site for enabling your clothes washer to irrigate your yard with graywater. Apply online and find how-to-videos at watersavings.org. No pre-inspection required, but wait for approval before beginning any work on your project.

Water Wise Survey Program

This two-part program will help you save water indoors and out. Sign up for one or both!

- Request a free **Do-It-Yourself Water Wise Indoor Survey Kit** to evaluate your home's water use efficiency. The kit includes a step-by-step instruction guide, a flow-rate testing bag and toilet leak testing tablets. After completing the survey, you can request free items such as low-flow faucet aerators, showerheads, and toilet flappers. See the Online Shopping Cart section for more details!
- Request a free **Water Wise Outdoor Survey** consultation from a trained irrigation professional. The visit will result in a customized report for your property, including any apparent leaks or inefficiencies, suggestions for irrigation scheduling, and recommendations for money-saving landscape rebates. We can survey up to ½ acre of landscape at single family or small multi-family sites, with a working irrigation system. To get started, have a recent copy of your water bill on-hand and call **(408) 630-2000** or email waterwise@valleywater.org. If you are a customer of San Jose Water Company, please contact them directly.

Fixture Replacement Program

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

Submeter Rebate Program

Mobile home parks, apartments and condominium complexes can receive at least \$150 per installed water submeter by upgrading from a single meter.

Large Landscape Program

Commercial, industrial, institutional and multi-family complexes with over ½ acre of landscape area may be eligible for a free landscape field survey. Professional irrigation auditors perform free site evaluations to provide recommendations for improving system efficiency. Free landscape water budgets are available for some sites, which compares your actual irrigation use to a site-specific budget. Visit waterfluence.com to see if your site already receives this free benefit. Sign up for a survey at 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 reduction. This custom rebate based on the measured amount of water saved is available to qualifying facilities including commercial, industrial and institutional facilities like schools and hospitals. The rebate is at least \$4 per 100 cubic feet of water saved per year, or 100% of the project cost (excluding labor and taxes), whichever is less.

Report Water Waste

Help local residents and businesses save money and preserve our shared water supply by confidentially reporting water waste and leaks. We appreciate your detailed observations, and photos are a big help. 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
- Call (408) 630-2000



CONTACT US

For more information, contact the **Water Conservation Hotline** at **(408) 630-2554** or by email at conservation@valleywater.org. Or use our **Access Valley Water** customer request and information system at valleywater.org to find out the latest information on Valley Water projects or to submit questions, complaints or compliments directly to a Valley Water staff person.



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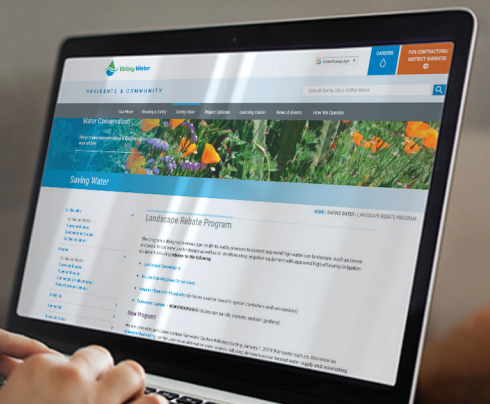


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Water Shortage Emergency Condition and Call for Conservation

Santa Clara County Water Commission
July 28, 2021

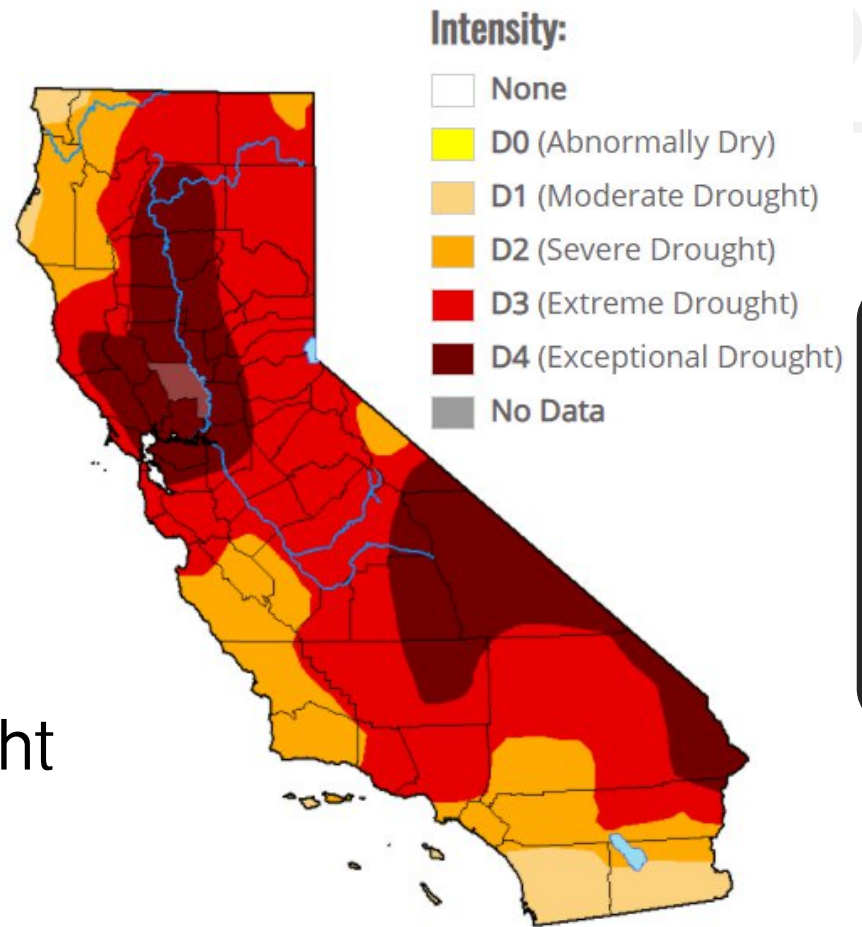


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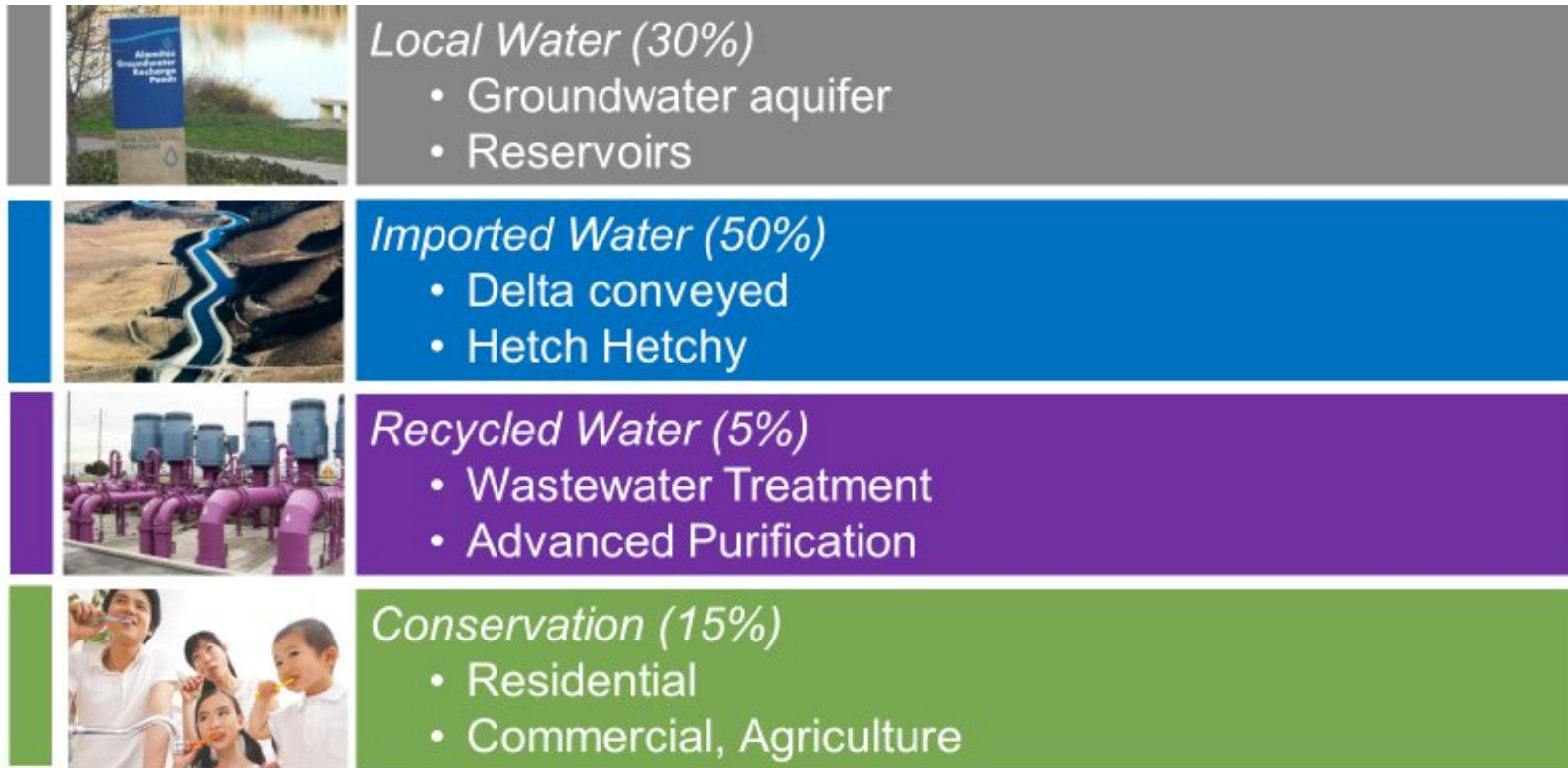
April 21 - Governor Newsom
Drought proclamation - Mendocino,
Sonoma counties

May 10 - Expanded to 41 counties

June 22 - U.S. Drought Monitor:
Santa Clara County in Extreme Drought



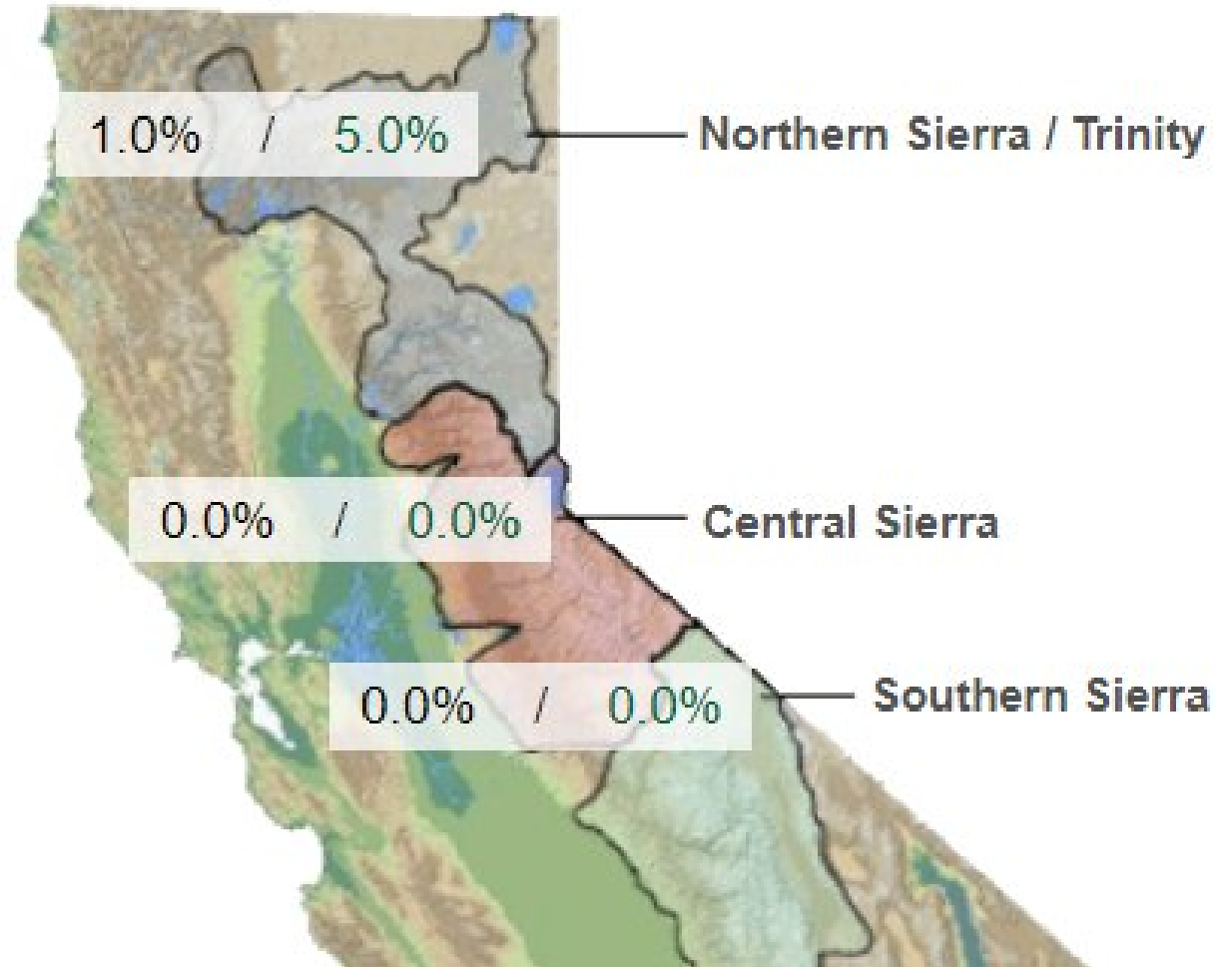
Fifty percent of our water is imported



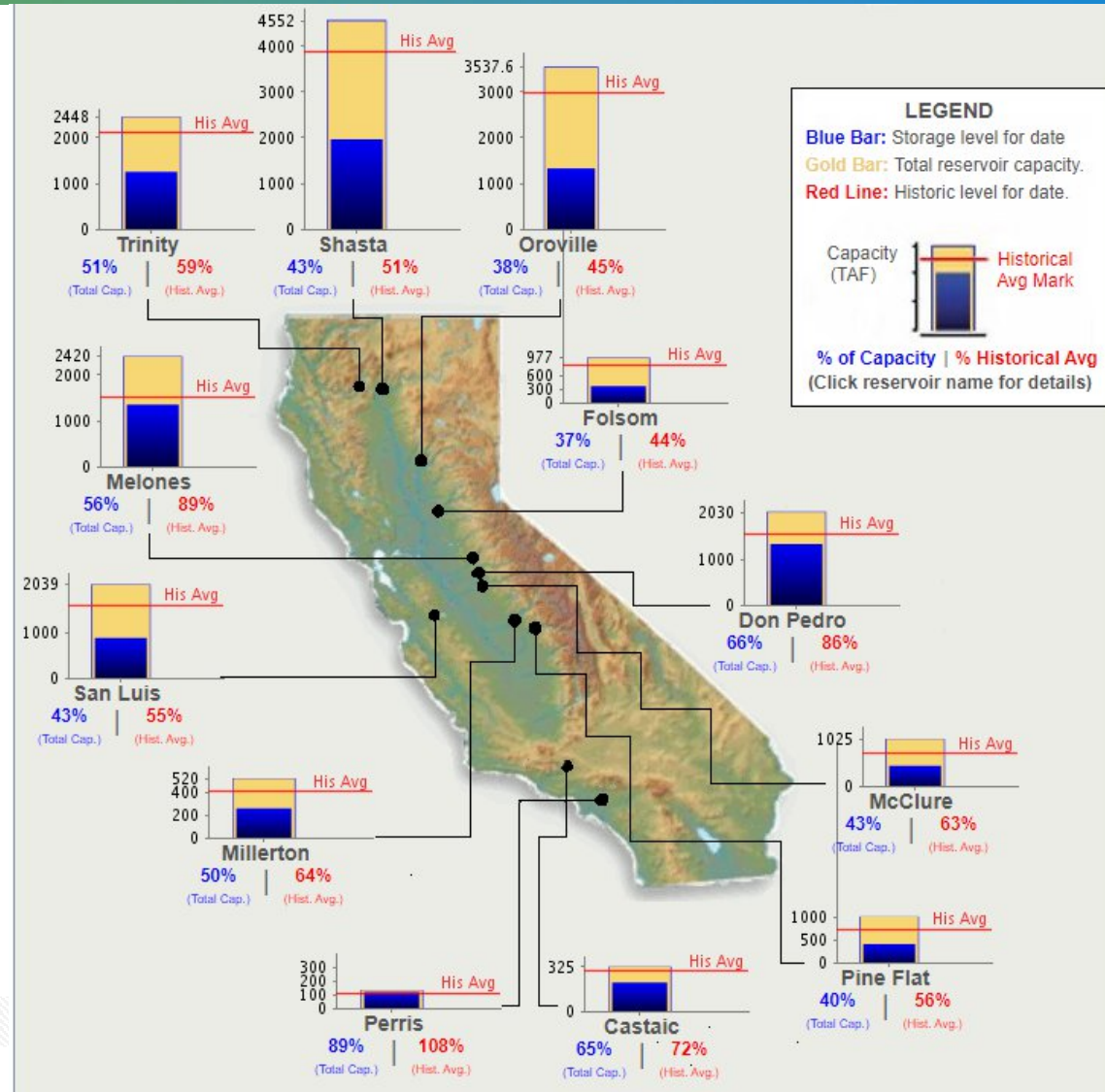
Snowpack:

Zero percent of average

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Conditions for Major Reservoirs



2021 Drought Impacts to Valley Water

Local water supplies are low

Imported water allocations are low

Limited Recharge and additional pumping may result in rapid decline of groundwater levels

Risk of dry wells especially in South County and resumed land subsidence in North County

Loss of Anderson Increases Risk

Drained by federal mandate for seismic retrofit
(89,278 acre-feet capacity)



Water Shortage Emergency Condition

- Declared Water Shortage Emergency Condition calling for Water Use Restrictions on June 9, 2021
- County proclaimed local emergency on June 15 which was ratified by the County Board of Supervisors on June 22
- Resolution includes:
 - Call to retailers to reduce water use by 15% compared to 2019 use
 - Call to cities and retailers to implement actions to reduce water use
 - Valley Water to aggressively promote water conservation programs to all water users

Existing common municipal water restrictions include measures such as:

- Cars can be washed at home with a nozzle that shuts off automatically when the handle is released
- Fix water leaks within 5 working days
- Don't let water flow into gutters or streets
- Provide customers with water only upon request
- Hotels: offer fresh towel and linen service only upon request
- Hand-held spraying fixtures for dishwashing must be fitted with automatically shut off low-flow spray valves
- Use nondrinking sources of water for construction or building purposes
- Use recycled water for approved commercial uses including irrigation, cooling towers, and construction activities
- Do not to outdoor landscapes during and within 48 hours after measurable rainfall

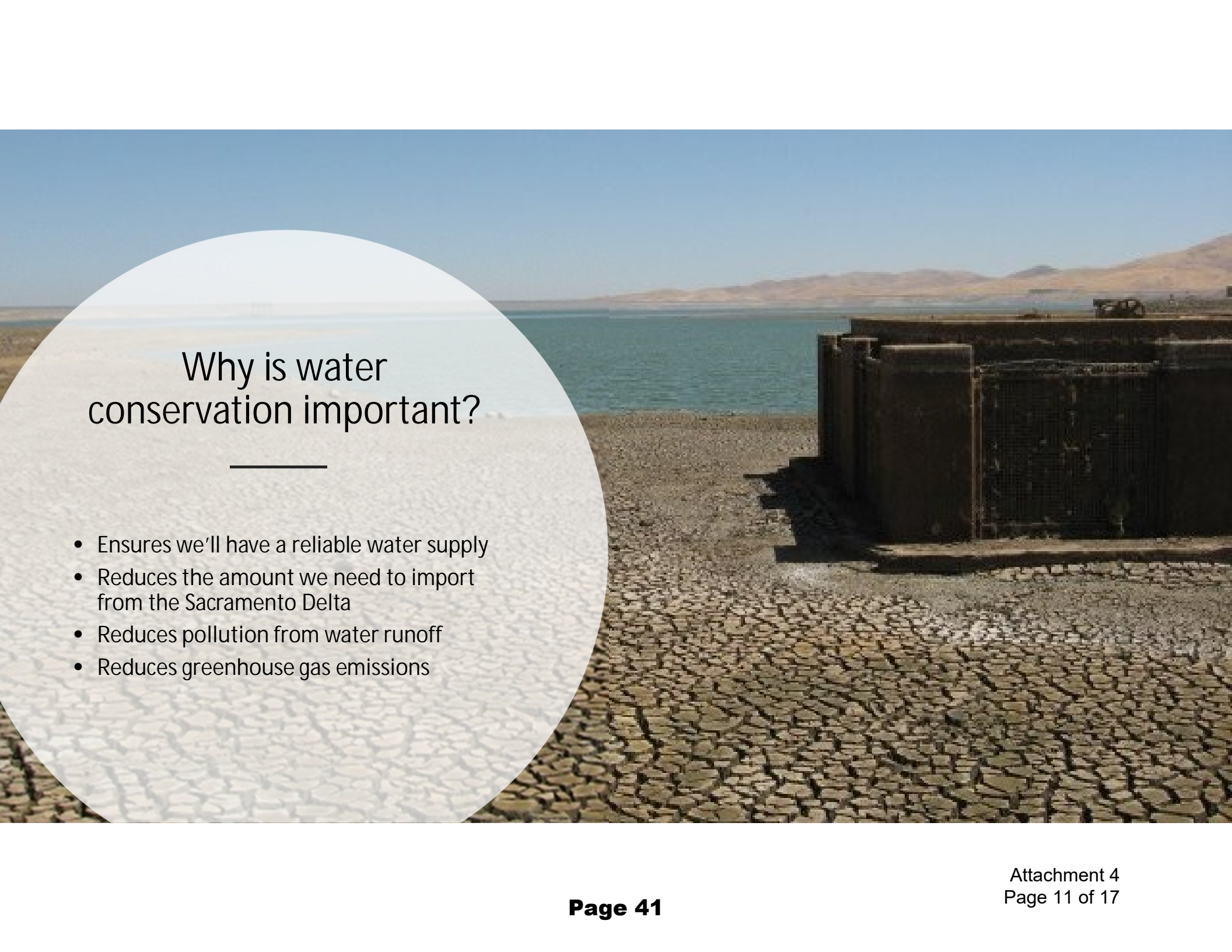
Valley Water Drought Response

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- Doubled Landscape Conversion Rebate (\$1 to \$2 per sq. ft.)
- Increased conservation messaging
- BeHeard interactive webpage
- Reduce retailer deliveries
- Ensure adequate recharge in South County
- Pause imported water releases to most creeks and ponds



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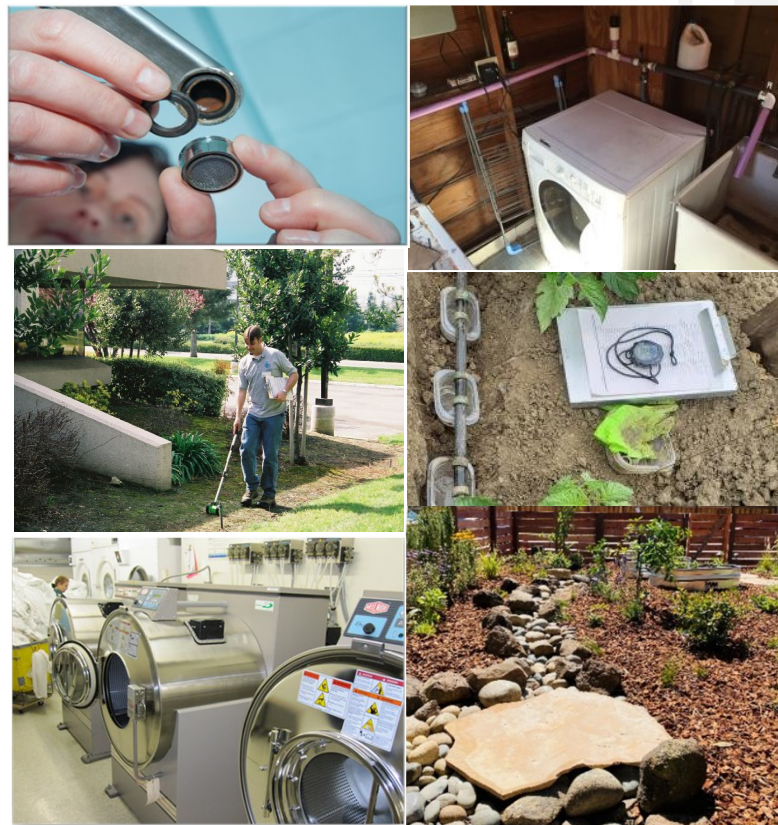


Why is water conservation important?

- Ensures we'll have a reliable water supply
- Reduces the amount we need to import from the Sacramento Delta
- Reduces pollution from water runoff
- Reduces greenhouse gas emissions

Water Conservation Programs

- Residential Programs
- Landscape Programs
- Commercial, Industrial, Institutional (CII) Programs
- Agriculture Programs
- Water Waste Inspectors
- Education/Workshops/Resources



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Water Conservation Programs

COVID-19 Program Notice



Landscape Rebate Program

Our Landscape Rebate Program can help you save water and money, offering up to **\$3,000*** for residential sites and **\$50,000*** for commercial and multi-family sites.

Get started with your application

Overview of the Landscape Rebate Program

*Maximum rebates may be even higher in some cost sharing areas.

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Background of Model Water Efficient New Development Ordinance (MWENDO)

- 2015 Formation of Santa Clara County Water Efficient New Development Task Force
- 2018 Valley Water procures technical assistance from Green Evolution
- 2019 MWENDO completed, including package of resources
- Now Valley Water engaging with jurisdictions to adopt and implement the ordinance

Scope of MWENDO

Single-Family Residential Requirements
Multi-Family and Nonresidential Req's
Commercial Facilities



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The drought is real.

How can you help?

Work with us to ensure consistent water use restrictions and outreach
Work with us on MWENDO

Conservation@valleywater.org or www.WaterSavings.Org

The Water Waste Hotline: 408-630-2000

QUESTIONS



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