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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Memo from Rick Callender, DAO – Office of Government Relations and Communications, to the Board, 05/02/17, regarding an ADA news article on the District’s fluoridation award.

Memo from Michele King, COB, to the Board, dated 05/05/17, regarding the FY 18 Groundwater Production and Surface Water Charge Protest results (no majority protest).

D. INCOMING BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Board Correspondence Weekly Report: 05/04/17

Letter from Ann White to the Board, dated 04/24/17, regarding the Delta Tunnels (C-17-0187).

Letter from Marianne Brems to the Board, dated 04/25/17, regarding the Delta Tunnels (C-17-0188).

Email from Stan Williams, Poseidon Water, to the Board, dated 05/01/17, regarding purified water projects (C-17-0189).

Letter from Norma Camacho, Interim CEO, to Tamara Davis, Santa Clara County Civil Grand Jury (cc: BOD), dated 05/02/17, regarding an update on the 100-year flood protection for Permanente Creek (C-17-0190).

Email from Gina May to the Board, dated 05/02/17, regarding Chair Varela’s NextDoor post on federal funding for flood protection projects (C-17-0191).

Memo from Michele King, COB, to the Board, dated 05/05/17, regarding emails received protesting SJWJC’s application to the PUC for a rate increase (C-17-0192).
Email from Gary to the Board, dated 05/04/17, expressing dissatisfaction with the response to his email about flooding in San Martin (C-17-0193).

Letter from Michael Jackson, Bureau of Reclamation, to the Board, dated 05/02/17, regarding the updated declaration of water made available for 2017, San Felipe Division, Central Valley Project (C-17-0194).

E. OUTGOING BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Reply email from Chair Varela to Stan Williams, Poseidon Water, dated 05/01/17, regarding additional comments on the 03/27/17 Board Meeting agenda item 2.1 on Expedited Purified Water Project - Dual Track Process (C-17-0170).

Reply email from Chair Varela to Richard McMurtry, dated 05/03/17, regarding the District’s website for grant program applications (C-17-0174).

Reply email from Chair Varela to Gary, dated 05/05/17, regarding the 4/20/17 community meeting in San Martin and Llagas Creek flooding (C-17-0173).

Board correspondence has been removed from the online posting of the Non-Agenda to protect personal contact information. Lengthy reports/attachments may also be removed due to file size limitations. Copies of board correspondence and/or reports/attachments are available by submitting a public records request to publicrecords@valleywater.org.
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ACWA eNews for May 3, 2017

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ACWA Spring Conference Runs May 9-12 in Monterey

Submitted by Pamela Martineau on Wed, 05/03/2017 - 5:46pm

ACWA's 2017 Spring Conference & Exhibition is just around the corner, running May 9-12 in beautiful Monterey. Online registration is closed, but onsite registration is available.

The conference, themed "One Water, One Future," will explore California's shared vision – and challenges – regarding the state's water future. Several key leaders in the water industry will speak at the conference providing perspectives on everything from energy storage to emergency management.

[Read more](http://www.acwa.com)

May ACWA Priority Issues Update Available to Members

Submitted by Pamela Martineau on Wed, 05/03/2017 - 5:30pm
The May ACWA Priority Issues Update is now available online to ACWA members. The monthly bulletin-style update provides an overview of the issues ACWA is actively engaged on.

The May Priority Issues Update is here. ACWA membership is required for access.

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**Call for Candidates for ACWA Region Boards Opened May 1**

Submitted by Pamela Martineau on Wed, 05/03/2017 - 5:21pm

Want to become more involved in ACWA and serve your community at the same time? Join one of ACWA’s region boards. The call for candidates wishing to serve on ACWA region boards for the 2018-’19 term opened May 1 and will close on June 30.

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**State Water Board Adopts New Water Quality Objectives for Mercury**

Submitted by Emily Allshouse on Wed, 05/03/2017 - 3:31pm

The State Water Resources Control Board on May 2 adopted new rules intended to limit mercury in all inland surface waters, enclosed bays, and estuaries in California for the purposes of protecting people and wildlife. According to the State Water Board, the rules are intended to protect people at a higher risk of dietary mercury exposure and also to protect wildlife from the harmful effects of mercury.

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**ACWA, Member Agencies Oppose Water Conservation Budget Trailer Bill**

Submitted by Lisa Lien-Mager on Wed, 05/03/2017 - 2:12pm
ACWA and representatives of nearly 40 local water agencies turned out in force to oppose a budget trailer bill on water conservation heard May 3 in the Assembly Budget Subcommittee #3 on Resources and Transportation.

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**May Snow Survey Reveals Statewide Snowpack Nearly Double Long-Term Average**

Submitted by Pamela Martineau on Mon, 05/01/2017 - 1:36pm

The final manual snow survey for water year 2016-'17 at Phillips Station in the Sierras today revealed a snow water content of 27.8 inches or 190% of the long-term average, officials with the California Department of Water Resources announced.

Electronic measurements statewide indicate a snowpack water content that is 196% of the May 1 average, or 42.5 inches.

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**Bernhardt Nominated for Deputy Interior Secretary Post**

Submitted by Lisa Lien-Mager on Fri, 04/28/2017 - 9:46am

President Donald Trump on Friday announced the nomination of David Bernhardt as deputy secretary of the Interior.

Bernhardt, an attorney who most recently chaired the natural resource law practice at Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP, is a Department of the Interior veteran who served as solicitor, deputy solicitor, deputy chief of staff and counselor to the secretary during the George W. Bush Administration.
Little Hoover Commission Hearing Highlights Water Quality Impacts of Tree Mortality Crisis

Submitted by Emily Allshouse on Thu, 04/27/2017 - 3:34pm

As part of a series of hearings on California’s tree mortality crisis, the Little Hoover Commission Thursday discussed the impacts of the crisis on counties, water supply and quality, utilities, and the ecosystem, and how best to address policy solutions.

Calaveras County Water District (CCWD) General Manager David Eggerton was among the hearing’s speakers which also included representatives from Tuolumne, Madera and Tulare counties, the Department of Insurance, Pacific Gas & Electric, Sierra Pacific Industries, Sierra Forest Legacy and The Nature Conservancy.

ACWA 2017 Spring Conference & Exhibition

Tue, 05/09/2017 - Fri, 05/12/2017

Location: Monterey, CA

ACWA's 2017 Spring Conference & Exhibition is set for May 9-12, 2017, at the Monterey Marriott and Portola Hotel & Spa in Monterey.

Onsite Registration is available at the Portola Hotel beginning Tuesday, May 9 at 8:00 a.m.

IMPORTANT LINKS:
ACWA Region 10 Issue Forum - ACWA Spring Conference, Monterey

Thu, 05/11/2017 - 9:30am - 11:00am
Location: Portal Room, Portal Hotel, Monterey

ACWA Region 10 Program
Watershed Optimization:
Developing a Local Water Supply
Date: Thursday, May 11, 2017 Time: 9:30 am to 11 am
Location: Portola Room, Portola Hotel

Read more  1 attachment

2017 SANTA ANA RIVER WATERSHED CONFERENCE

Thu, 05/25/2017
Location: Ontario Convention Center

This daylong event – convened by the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority and coordinated by the Water Education Foundation – will

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BAY-DELTA TOUR 2017

Wed, 06/14/2017 - Fri, 06/16/2017
Location: This tour starts and ends at the Sacramento International Airport

Presented by the Water Education Foundation.

Go deep into California’s water hub and traverse the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, a 720,000-acre network of islands and canals that support the state’s water system and is California’s most crucial water and ecological resource. The tour makes it way to San Francisco Bay, and includes a ferry ride.

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International Water Association - 11th International Conference on Water Reclamation and Reuse

Sun, 07/23/2017 - Thu, 07/27/2017
Location: Long Beach, CA
National Water Research Institute (NWRI), Water Environment and Research Foundation (WE&RF), and WateReuse California (WRA CA) are teaming up to host the International Water Association’s (IWA) annual conference in Long Beach, California, on July 23-27, 2017.

Conference Website

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HEADWATERS TOUR 2017

Wed, 09/13/2017 - Thu, 09/14/2017
Location: TBD

THIS TOUR WAS RESCHEDULED FROM APRIL TO SEPTEMBER DUE TO SNOW CONDITIONS. Presented by the Water Education Foundation. Sixty percent of California’s developed water supply originates high in the Sierra Nevada mountains. Our water supply is largely dependent on the health of our Sierra forests, which are suffering from ecosystem degradation, drought, wildfires and widespread tree mortality. Join us as we head up into the foothills and the mountains to examine water issues that happen upstream but have dramatic impacts downstream and throughout the state.

Registration

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NORTHERN CALIFORNIA TOUR 2017

Wed, 10/11/2017 - Fri, 10/13/2017
Location: The tour begins and ends at Sacramento International Airport.

Presented by the Water Education Foundation

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SAN JOAQUIN RIVER RESTORATION TOUR 2017

Wed, 11/01/2017 - Thu, 11/02/2017
Location: The tour begins and ends in Fresno

Presented by the Water Education Foundation.

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Coalition Calls on President, Congressional Delegation to Make Water Infrastructure Spending a Top Priority

Submitted by Lisa Lien-Mager on Wed, 05/03/2017 - 11:08am
SACRAMENTO, Calif. – A coalition of business, labor, agricultural and water interests in California is calling on President Donald Trump and the state’s congressional delegation to make investment in water infrastructure a top priority in 2017.

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Source URL: http://www.acwa.com/newsletter/acwa-enews/acwa-enews-may-3-2017
CEO BULLETIN
Board Executive Limitation Policy EL-7: The Board Appointed Officers shall inform and support the Board in its work. Further, a BAO shall 1) inform the Board of relevant trends, anticipated adverse media coverage, or material external and internal changes, particularly changes in the assumptions upon which any Board policy has previously been established and 2) report in a timely manner an actual or anticipated noncompliance with any policy of the Board.

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**Intertie Operations to Support Pipeline Rehabilitation Projects**

Over the next two months, the water district will transfer to the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) approximately 600 million gallons of treated water, which will be returned to the water district this winter. The deliveries are being made through the joint San Francisco Public Utilities Commission – Santa Clara Valley Water District Intertie (Intertie).

These water deliveries are in advance of the supplies the water district will need and receive from SFPUC as it undertakes major pipeline inspection and rehabilitation work on the Pacheco Conduit and Almaden Valley Pipeline, which would interrupt raw water supplies to the three water treatment plants. The inspection and rehabilitation work will be carried out from October 2017 through March 2018.

During discussions about the water district’s request for water deliveries this winter, SFPUC indicated that the best time for them to receive the water in exchange is now.

The work on Pacheco Conduit and Almaden Valley Pipeline will include performing condition assessment for the two critical raw water delivery pipelines, repairing pipe segments and replacing appurtenances as warranted, and installing an acoustic fiber optic cable along the pipeline to collect on-going performance data and help mitigate potential catastrophic prestressed concrete cylinder pipe (PCCP) failures in the future.
The Pacheco Conduit, constructed in the late 1980s as part of the San Felipe system, consists of approximately 7.9 miles of 120-inch diameter PCCP. The conduit conveys raw water from the San Luis Reservoir to Santa Clara and San Benito counties. The Almaden Valley Pipeline consists of approximately 12.3 miles of 72-inch to 78-inch diameter PCCP and welded steel pipe. Almaden Valley Pipeline was constructed in two phases, the first phase in the 1960s and the second phase in the 1980s. The pipeline is part of the water district's flexible raw water conveyance system that distributes water from local reservoirs and imported supplies to the three water treatment plants and groundwater recharge ponds.

Rehabilitation of the Almaden Valley Pipeline will be conducted in two phases to minimize impact to treated water production. Phase 1 of the Almaden Valley Pipeline Rehabilitation Project will result in no raw water deliveries to the Santa Teresa Water Treatment Plant for approximately three months from the end of October 2017 to early February 2018. Under Phase 2 of the project, which goes through the end of March 2018, the Santa Teresa plant would be back in service. Through both phases of the project, source water supply to the Rinconada and Penitencia water treatment plants will be limited to the South Bay Aqueduct.

To meet peak retailer demand and have a backup supply should an emergency arise, the Intertie will be in operation during Phase 1 of the Almaden Valley Pipeline Rehabilitation Project.

For further information, please contact Angela Cheung at (408) 630-2735.

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**Letter to Grand Jury Regarding Project Status Update: 100-Year Flood Protection for Permanente Creek**

The interim Chief Executive Officer has responded to the 2016-2017 Grand Jury's request for an update on what the water district has done with the recommendations made by the 2015-2016 Santa Clara County Civil Grand Jury in the report titled "100-Year Flood Protection for Permanente Creek."

A copy of the response is included in the board’s May 5, 2017, Non-Agenda package.

For further information, please contact Susan Stanton at (408) 630-2208.

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**Director Santos**

**Staff to prepare a report for the Board regarding Mr. Andrew Galvan’s Issues and concerns on Berryessa Creek**

R-17-0012

At the Board meeting on April 11, 2017, Mr. Andrew Galvan expressed his concerns about the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers’ (USACE) handling of the Native American Human remains unearthed at the Upper Berryessa Creek Flood Protection Project construction site.

The Upper Berryessa Creek Flood Protection Project is a joint project with the USACE, and they are responsible for its design and construction.

The Native American Heritage Commission has designated Mr. Galvan as the Most Likely Descendant (MLD) for Native American Human remains uncovered at Historic Site CA-SCL-593, located in the project construction area. In 2015, Mr. Galvan monitored the removal of two sets of Native American remains from this area and received the remains for burial at the Ohlone Indian Cemetery in Fremont, which is operated by Mr. Galvan. He performed this work as a subcontractor to Tetra Tech, Inc., an environmental and engineering consultant hired by the water district.

The USACE is currently constructing the project with Mr. Richard Stradford, a USACE staff, as the
Lead Archaeologist for the project. In early April 2017, further potential human remains were unearthed (some loose and some in situ) during construction. Mr. Stradford took the loose remains to the County Medical Examiner, who determined they were, in fact, human and likely Native American. When Mr. Galvan learned about the developments, he expressed concern stating that as the MLD he should have been notified first. The two sets of remains uncovered are still on site and the USACE has established a buffer around them to prevent construction disturbance until they can be professionally removed.

On April 11, Mr. Galvan, Mr. Stradford and James Manitakos, the water district environmental planner on the project, met to discuss a plan to address Mr. Galvan's concerns. At the meeting, all parties agreed that:

1) Mr. Galvan should monitor the recovery of the two sets of remains on site; and

2) Mr. Galvan will receive from the USACE all the remains and associated burial artifacts for reburial at the Ohlone cemetery.

Mr. Galvan requested that the water district pay for the costs of monitoring, recovery, and reburial of the remains, which is similar to the 2015 arrangement for the recovery and reburial effort. The water district has asked Mr. Galvan to submit for consideration a proposal addressing the monitoring, the recovery, and associated costs. The water district would consider funding it as part of the project construction cost. The water district has not yet received the proposal from Mr. Galvan and the USACE has not yet scheduled recovery of the remains. The water district expects those actions to occur in the next few weeks.

For further information, please contact Ngoc Nguyen at (408) 630-2632.
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TO: Board of Directors

SUBJECT: April 2017 Drought/Water Use Status Report

FROM: Jim Fiedler

DATE: April 25, 2017

The April 2017 Monthly Drought/Water Use Status Report (Monthly Report) contains the most recent water use and water reduction data for the month of March 2017. Data collected to date indicates that water use reductions in the month of March 2017 were 28 percent when compared to March 2013. The cumulative water use reductions through March 2017, when compared to this time in 2013, were 24%. This is above the 20 percent target set by the Board on January 31, 2017.

The report is available for download at the following URL: http://www.valleywater.org/drought/#updates under Monthly Updates – Monthly Water Use Status Report.

Staff are scheduled to return to the Board on June 13, 2017, to provide an update on 2017 Water Supply Conditions.

If you have any questions, please call me at (408) 630-2736.

Jim Fiedler, P.E., D.WRE
Chief Operating Officer
Water Utility Enterprise
MEMORANDUM
FC 14 (01-02-07)

TO: Board of Directors
SUBJECT: District Participation in Completed Whitney Point Solar Project

FROM: Jim Fiedler
DATE: April 27, 2017

This is to inform the board of the completion of the Whitney Point Solar Project (Project), a 20 megawatt (MW) utility-scale solar project in Fresno County, which became commercially operational in April 2017. The district has a 750 kilowatt (kW) interest in the Project through the Power and Water Resources Pooling Authority (PWRPA), the Joint Powers Authority (JPA) that serves the District's major loads. The Project will increase the proportion of renewable energy in the district's annual purchased electricity portfolio and contribute to the board governance policy to reduce greenhouse-gas (GHG) emissions to achieve carbon neutrality at the District by 2020.

During the March 26, 2013 and November 26, 2013 District Board meetings, staff discussed potential photovoltaic solar projects with the Board. Based on the discussion, staff began working with PWRPA to seek participation in utility-scale solar projects in other parts of the state, while also working to develop local solar projects at District water treatment plants.

As reported in the CEO Bulletin for the week of October 17-23, 2014, staff was in negotiations through PWRPA for an interest in the utility-scale Project in Fresno County. In the CEO Bulletin for the week of January 9-15, 2015, staff subsequently reported PWRPA's successful negotiation for a 11 MW interest in the Project, of which the District secured a 750 KW allocation, an increase of 250 KW from the original estimate of 500 KW. The Project is structured as a power purchase agreement (PPA) and allows the District to purchase solar energy generated by the Project for use at District facilities throughout the 20-year term of the PPA.

In December 2014, the CEO executed the rate agreement for the Project, as reported in the CEO Bulletin for the week of January 9-15, 2015. During the Climate Change Mitigation update on October 27, 2015, staff reported of the Project's expected completion by 2017. The Project reached its Commercial Operation Date on April 14, 2017 and is currently fully operational.

Through the PPA and rate agreement, the District will purchase approximately 2,199 megawatt-hours (MWh) of solar electricity annually at a cost of $60 per MWh, fixed for the 20-year duration of the Project. Including transmission and distribution charges, the total cost of the solar power delivered to district facilities is approximately $90 per MWh. This compares to approximately $164.5 per MWh charged by PG&E. While the energy from the Project will contribute to the District efforts to achieve carbon neutrality by 2020, it will also help the District and PWRPA meet state renewable energy portfolio regulations.

PWRPA is subject to the State of California "Renewable Portfolio Standard" (RPS) mandate, whereby electric utilities must serve a percentage of retail sales with renewable resources within a given Compliance Period. Through various existing PWRPA agreements, the state mandate is assigned directly to individual PWRPA participants based on their retail purchase from PWRPA. The District continues to expand its renewable energy portfolio and plans to help PWRPA meet the RPS mandate with a combination of renewable resources.
Staff continues to evaluate additional opportunities to participate in new utility-scale renewable projects through PWRPA to contribute to the District’s renewable energy portfolio.

Jim Felder, P.E., D.WRE
Chief Operating Officer
Water Utility Enterprise

Attachment 1: Completion Photo: Whitney Point Solar Project – 20MW
Attachment 1: Completion Photos: Whitney Point Solar Project – 20MW

Completion Photos: Whitney Point Solar Project – 20MW
(District Allocation: 750kW)
TO:    Board of Directors

SUBJECT:    ADA News article on District's fluoridation award

FROM:    Rick L. Callender

DATE:    May 2, 2017

Attached to this memorandum is a story published in the April issue of ADA News, the newsletter of the American Dental Association, regarding the Fluoridation Special Merit Award given to Santa Clara Valley Water District at the National Oral Health Conference on April 23 in Albuquerque, New Mexico. The award was bestowed on behalf of the Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors (ASTDD), the American Dental Association and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. ASTDD is a national non-profit organization representing the directors and staff of state public health agency programs for oral health.

Attachment: ADA News article "Public health groups recognize water fluoridation champions"
Public health groups recognize water fluoridation champions
April 25, 2017

By Michelle Manchir

Albuquerque, N.M. — Recognizing the important health benefits of community water fluoridation, the ADA, the Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention honored leaders, states and community water suppliers at the National Oral Health Conference April 23.

The groups distributed three fluoridation merit awards, which recognize "an outstanding contribution toward the progress of fluoridation."

Recipients included Dr. William Bailey, Dr. Scott Presson and the Santa Clara Valley Water District in California.

Dr. Bailey, a longtime public health dentist, is credited with revamping and focusing water fluoridation training and building the capacity of the state infrastructure grant program at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Division of Oral Health. While at CDC he also played a large role in the development of the recommended fluoride level for public drinking water. Dr. Bailey was selected to serve as the U.S. Public Health Service’s assistant surgeon general and chief dental officer, during which time he structured a "national policy and program to build the public health dentistry program within the federal government," according to the groups honoring him. He currently serves as the Delta Dental Endowed Chair in the Prevention of Early Child Caries at the University of Colorado School of Dental Medicine.

After a distinguished career in the Indian Health Service, Dr. Presson joined the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as Program Services Team Leader for the Division of Oral Health, according to the groups honoring him. He provided leadership in initiation and development of the CDC State Infrastructure Grant program to build the capacity and resources of state oral health programs. He also provided oversight for the CDC water fluoridation program and the development of various data applications for fluoridation surveillance and management. Dr. Presson led the committee that initially examined the science that would become the basis for the 2011 recommendation on fluoride levels in public drinking water. His work assignments involved collaboration with the ADA, American Association of Public Health Dentistry, American Public Health Association, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and others. In his last years at CDC, Dr. Presson served as Director of CDC’s Dental Public Health Residency program.

The board of directors for the Santa Clara Valley Water District is credited with "unwavering support for community water fluoridation." Following a unanimous vote in 2011, the board initiated fluoridation in 2016 to one of its three
water treatment plants and has proposed to fluoridate its remaining system by 2020. With this action, San Jose, which had been the largest city in the United States not yet fluoridated, will now begin to receive fluoridated water. The district was also recognized for "providing notification to the public about fluoridation" on its website, which offers fluoridation facts in English, Spanish, Vietnamese and Chinese.

Several states and communities were recognized for the support of water fluoridation.

Arkansas received the 2016 State Fluoridation Initiative Award, which recognizes the state that had the greatest increase in population on fluoridated water or the state with the most new systems fluoridating. Arkansas also earned the Healthy People 2020 Award, which recognizes states that achieve the objective of having 79.6 percent of population in a state on community water supplies.

Six states were recognized for providing consistent optimally fluoridated water in more than 90 percent of adjusted water systems or population supplied by adjusted water systems. They were Arkansas, Delaware, Louisiana, North Dakota, Nevada and Rhode Island.

Seven communities that approved new water fluoridation programs in 2016 were recognized with Community Initiative Awards. They were: Lake City, Wellington and Flagler County in Florida; Oskaloosa, Iowa; Wilkesboro, North Carolina; Wilmington, Ohio; and Greenville, Texas.

Twenty communities that defeated initiatives to discontinue community water fluoridation in 2016 were recognized with Community Fluoridation Reaffirmation Awards. They were: Healdsburg, California; Durango, Colorado; Hartford, Connecticut; Clearwater, Collier County and Perry, Florida; Clay City, Indiana; Arkansas City, Kansas; Machias, Maine; Duxbury and Shrewsbury in Massachusetts; Union City, Michigan; Houston, Missouri; Astoria and Lebanon in Oregon; Downington Municipal Water Authority in Pennsylvania; Hixson Utility District and the City of South Fulton Water System in Tennessee; Palestine, Texas; Rutland, Vermont; and Rice Lake, Wisconsin.

Finally, 106 communities in 30 states were recognized for 50 years of continuous water fluoridation between 1966 and 2016.

They were:

**Alabama**  
Decatur Utilities

**Florida**  
City of Daytona Beach; City Melbourne; City of Sanford

**Georgia**  
City of Camilla

**Iowa**  
Muscatine Power and Water; Northwood Water Works; Waterloo Water Works

**Illinois**  
Broadwell, Carpentersville; Cary; Crystal Lake; Freeport; Hennepin PWD; Lacon; Rockford; Warren; Woodstock

**Indiana**  
Charlestown; Corydon; East Chicago; Osgood Water Department

**Kansas**  
City of Ellsworth; City of Gardner
Kentucky
Boone-Florence Water Comm; Paducah Water Works;
Princeton Utility Comm; Providence Water Works;
Stanford Water Works; Williamsburg Water Plant

Maine
Ashland Water District; East Millinocket Water Works; Machias Water Company

Michigan
Albion; Carson City; Greenville; Hartford;
Holland Board of Public Works; Saline

Minnesota
Barnesville; Burnsville; Canby; Coon Rapids; Dassel; East Grand Forks; Hawley; Madelia; North Mankato; Preston;
Princeton; Shakopee; Spring Lake Park; Stewartville

Mississippi
City of Collins; Town of Prentiss

Missouri
Trenton

Nebraska
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Directors

SUBJECT: Fiscal Year 2018 Groundwater Production and Surface Water Charge Protest – NO MAJORITY PROTEST

FROM: Michele King, Clerk of the Board

DATE: May 5, 2017

On February 24, 2017, 4407 parcel and well owners/operators and surface water account holders in Zone 5 (South County), and 1495 parcel and well owners/operators and surface water account holders in Zone 2 (North County) were mailed a Notice of Public Hearing on the Groundwater Production and Surface Water Charges for Fiscal Year 2017-2018. The notice provided dates and times of the public hearings and open houses for the public to receive information and provide input.

Additionally, in accordance with District Resolution Nos. 12-10 and 12-11, the notice included details on how parcel owners who have a water producing facility on their parcel; well owners or operators with active, inactive or standby wells used for water supply or extraction/environmental purposes in Santa Clara County; and record owners with surface water use facilities, were eligible to protest the proposed groundwater production and surface water charge increases for fiscal year 2017-2018.

Protests were accepted at the District offices, via mail and in person, between Friday, February 24, 2017, and Tuesday, April 25, 2017, until the close of the public hearing at 6:17 p.m. All protests received were tracked in a chain of custody log and placed into a locked ballot box. On Wednesday, April 26, 2017 at 8:00 a.m., the secured ballots, chain of custody logs and returned notices were delivered to me in a secured conference room, where I verified the chain of custody logs.

The validation and tabulation process, conducted in accordance with Board Resolution Nos. 12-10 and 12-11, began on Wednesday, April 26, 2017, at 12:00 p.m. and concluded the same day.

The following are the final protest tabulation results:

Total Protests Envelopes Received and Processed: 47

**Groundwater**
- Zone W5 (South County) Valid Groundwater Well Protests: 26 (0.6%)
- Zone W5 (South County) Valid Groundwater Parcel Protests: 20 (0.5%)
- Zone W2 (North County) Valid Groundwater Well Protests: 26 (0.9%)
- Zone W2 (North County) Valid Groundwater Parcel Protests: 22 (1.7%)

**Surface Water**
- Zone W5 (South County) Valid Surface Water Account Protests: 0
- Zone W5 (South County) Valid Surface Water Parcel Protests: 0
- Zone W2 (North County) Valid Surface Water Account Protests: 0
- Zone W2 (North County) Valid Surface Water Parcel Protests: 0
Protest outcome required to obtain a majority Protest:

**Groundwater**
Zone W5 (South County) Groundwater Well Protests: 2262
Zone W5 (South County) Groundwater Parcel Protests 1832
Zone W2 (North County) Groundwater Well Protests 1516
Zone W2 (North County) Groundwater Parcel Protests 648

**Surface Water**
Zone W5 (South County) Surface Water Account Protests 41
Zone W5 (South County) Surface Water Parcel Protests 41
Zone W2 (North County) Surface Water Account Protests: 25
Zone W2 (North County) Surface Water Parcel Protests 25

There was no majority protest in either zone of the groundwater or surface water categories. The total number of protests received and determined to be invalid were 7 – all groundwater. Five of the invalid protests were due to no well on the specified parcel. One of the invalid protests was not in the zone of benefit. Finally, one was a duplicate protest. District Counsel confirmed my invalid designation of all 7 protests.

A District team was assembled to assist in the validation and tabulation process to ensure that all protests received were properly linked to the correct parcels, wells and accounts, i.e., property owners, well owners, well operators and surface water users. The team consisted of:

- Michele King, Office of the Clerk of the Board
- Glenna Brambill, Office of the Clerk of the Board
- Laurie Keele, Revenue Management Unit
- Anthony Fulcher, Office of District Counsel

Finally, Ryan Kanazawa from C.G. Uhlenberg LLP, the certified public accounting and consulting firm approved as the impartial third party, was present during the entire validation and tabulation process to certify that the process was performed in accordance with procedures and that the tabulation totals were correct. Attached are a letter of confirmation from C. G. Uhlenberg LLP (Attachment 1) and my certification of the results (Attachment 2).

Attachments
cc: N. Camacho, S. Yamamoto, J. Fiedler, M. Richardson, S. Stanton, D. Taylor, and A. Fulcher
April 27, 2017

Board of Directors
Santa Clara Valley Water District
5750 Almaden Expressway
San Jose, CA 95118

Re: Final Protest Tabulation Results
Santa Clara Valley Water District
Groundwater Production and Surface Water Protest

C.G. Uhlenberg, LLP hereby certifies the following tabulation totals for the protests that were received by the close of the public hearing on April 25, 2017. We certify that all procedures set forth by the Santa Clara Valley Water District Board of Directors for the Groundwater Production and Surface Water Protest were followed and our auditor was present during the entire process. In addition, we monitored all staff with access to the secure tabulation room and all staff and visitors were logged.

Total protest envelopes received: 47
Total protests processed: 47

Zone W5 (South County) Groundwater Valid Well Protests: 26 (0.6%)
Zone W5 (South County) Valid Groundwater Parcel Protests: 20 (0.5%)

Zone W2 (North County) Valid Groundwater Well Protests: 26 (0.9%)
Zone W2 (North County) Valid Groundwater Parcel Protests: 22 (1.7%)

There were no Surface Water Protests for either Zone W5 or Zone W2.

The total number of protest letters received by the end of the public input portion of the public hearing on April 25, 2017 was 47.

There was no majority protest in either zone of the groundwater or surface water categories. The total number of protests received and determined to be invalid were 7. Five of the invalid protests were due to no well on the specified parcel, one not in the zone of benefit, and one duplicate. District Counsel confirmed the invalid designation of all 7 protests.

Thank you for the opportunity to assist you with this project.

Sincerely,

C. G. Uhlenberg LLP

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CERTIFICATION OF THE
SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
GROUNDWATER PRODUCTION AND
SURFACE WATER CHARGES PROTEST
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  )
                        ) ss.
COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA

I, Michele L. King, Clerk of the Board, Santa Clara Valley Water District (District), County of Santa Clara, State of California, do hereby certify that a process was initiated pursuant to the California Constitution Articles XIIIC and XIIIID for the purpose of the proposed groundwater production and surface water rate increases for Fiscal Year 2017-2018.

The Office of the Clerk of Board received 47 protests by the deadline of the close of the public hearing at 6:17 p.m. on Tuesday, April 25, 2017.

Pursuant to Article XIIIC and XIIIID of the California Constitution and District Resolutions 12-10 and 12-11, I have caused to have the protest notices opened, verified and tabulated. By this process, I have determined that the following protests were found valid:

Total Protests Envelopes Received and Processed: 38

**Groundwater**
- Zone W5 (South County) Valid Groundwater Well Protests: 15 (0.3%)
- Zone W5 (South County) Valid Groundwater Parcel Protests: 11 (0.3%)
- Zone W2 (North County) Valid Groundwater Well Protests: 25 (0.8%)
- Zone W2 (North County) Valid Groundwater Parcel Protests: 22 (1.7%)

**Surface Water**
- Zone W5 (South County) Valid Surface Water Account Protests: 0
- Zone W5 (South County) Valid Surface Water Parcel Protests: 0
- Zone W2 (North County) Valid Surface Water Account Protests: 0
- Zone W2 (North County) Valid Surface Water Parcel Protests: 0

**Protest outcome required to obtain a majority Protest:**

**Groundwater**
- Zone W5 (South County) Groundwater Well Protests: 2262
- Zone W5 (South County) Groundwater Parcel Protests: 1832
- Zone W2 (North County) Groundwater Well Protests: 1516
- Zone W2 (North County) Groundwater Parcel Protests: 648
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GROUNDWATER PRODUCTION AND SURFACE WATER CHARGES PROTEST
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Surface Water
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Zone W5 (South County) Surface Water Parcel Protests  41
Zone W2 (North County) Surface Water Account Protests:  25
Zone W2 (North County) Surface Water Parcel Protests  25

I hereby certify that the number of valid protests received for the proposed groundwater production and surface water charge increases do not constitute a majority protest.

Date:  May 5, 2017

Michele L. King, CMC
Clerk/Board of Directors
Santa Clara Valley Water District
Santa Clara County, State of California