Opportunities to Enhance & Update Safe, Clean Water Program

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Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection
What?

• Dec. 10 Board Meeting
• Direction to **explore and evaluate** a potential future funding measure...
• Replace existing program with a potential renewal measure
• Funding horizon beyond 2028
Why Now?

EXTERNAL CONDITIONS
• Extreme Weather
• Climate Change
• Population Growth
• Uncertain imported water supplies
• Delays in Regulatory Permitting/ Restrictions

INTERNAL CONDITIONS
• Aging Infrastructure upgrades
• Ongoing Operations & Maintenance Costs
• Mitigation Costs
• Funding shortfalls for large capital projects – enhanced
How?

Stakeholder Engagement
- Board Advisory Committees
- Commissions/Committees
- Blue-Ribbon Roundtable
- Community Meetings

Community Engagement
- Public participation to gather input
- Community Input Survey
- Speakers Bureau presentations
When?

- Exploration and draft plan development period between January and June 2020
- Board updates late January, March, May, June & July
- Potential Board decision for ballot placement - July 2020
- Potential Placement onto November 2020 Ballot in August
Program Development

• Priority A: Ensure a safe, reliable water supply
• Priority B: Reduce toxins, hazards and contaminants in our waterways
• Priority C: Protect our water supply from earthquakes and natural disasters
• Priority D: Restore wildlife habitat and provide open space
• Priority E: Provide flood protection to homes businesses, schools, and highways
Internal Stakeholder Input

Safe, Clean Water Program Brainstorm Sessions
Jan. 27 - 28

Priorities A, B, C, D, E
Program Development

Key Considerations / themes

• Addressing increasing demands for O&M and mitigation needs
• Providing improved infrastructure reliability
• Integrating climate change adaptation strategies
• Streamlining and improving grants program
• Providing for continued public safety near creeks due to increasing homeless encampments
• Public health & public safety
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Community Input Survey

Is protecting local drinking water, dams from earthquakes, reducing pollution, toxins, and contaminants in waterways, and providing flood protection important to you? If so, help Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water) build the next Safe Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program. Take two minutes or less to fill out this short survey and let us know which kinds of projects and priorities are the most important to you. Let’s work together to keep Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection for all.
HOW MUCH DOES IT MATTER TO YOU?

TAKE 2 MINUTES TO FILL OUT THE SURVEY AND BE HEARD!
LET'S WORK TOGETHER
Social Media

- Facebook
- Instagram
- Twitter
- Nextdoor
- Microsite

www.safecleanwater.org
Next Steps?

• Research and Evaluate Options
• Conduct community and stakeholder outreach
• Gather input for program development
• Refine and prioritize priorities
• Update Board regularly
• Develop draft community-preferred plan for Board’s final consideration this summer
QUESTIONS