

# 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

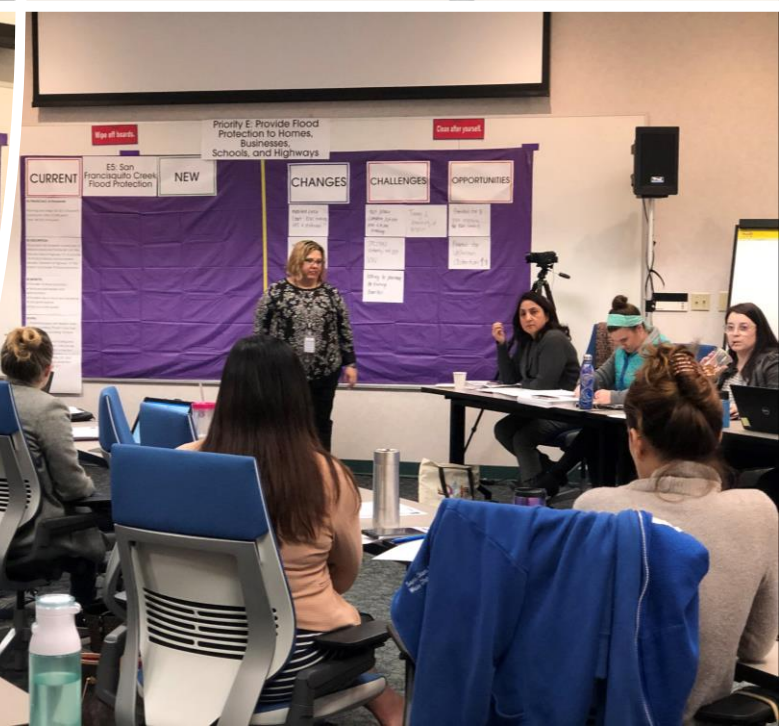
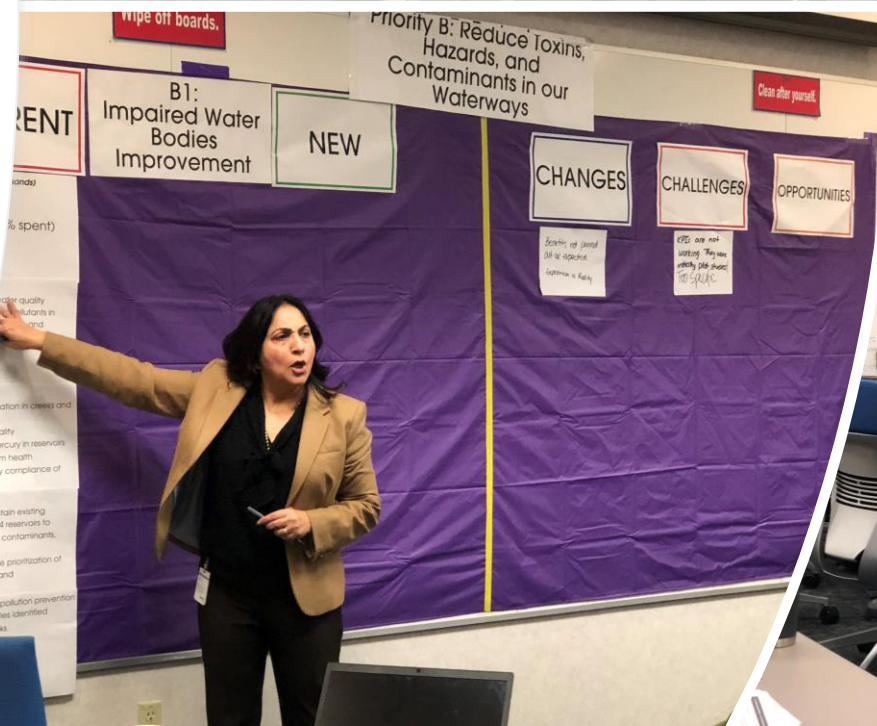
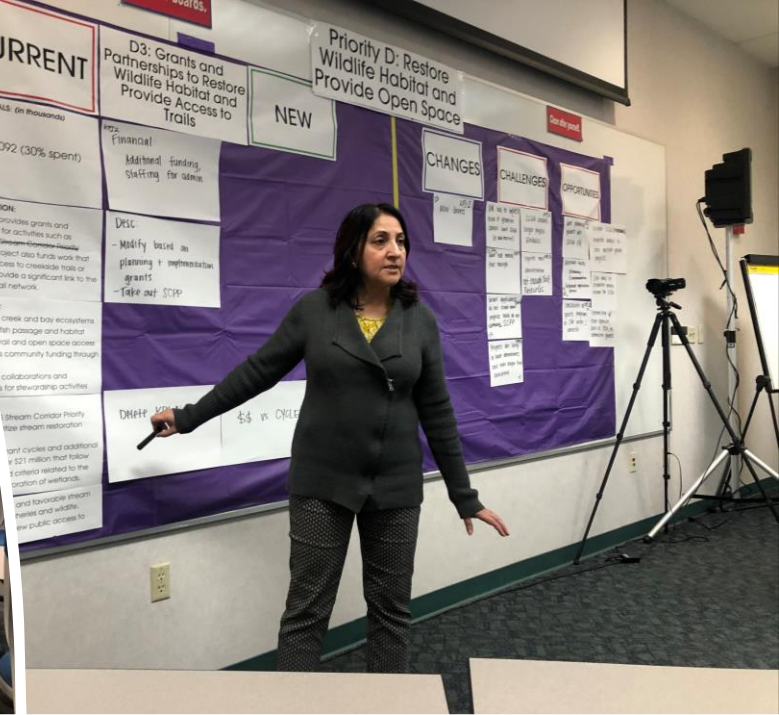


- Priority A: Ensure a safe, reliable water supply
- Priority B: Reduce toxins, hazards and contaminants in our waterways
- Priority C: Protect our water supply from earthquakes and natural disasters
- Priority D: Restore wildlife habitat and provide open space
- Priority E: Provide flood protection 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

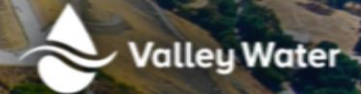
- Addressing increasing demands for O&M and mitigation needs
- Providing improved infrastructure reliability
- Integrating climate change adaptation strategies
- Streamlining and improving grants program
- Providing for continued public safety near creeks due to increasing homeless encampments
- Public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

COMMUNITY INPUT SURVEY 2020

# Safe, Clean Water

## and Natural Flood Protection

SANTA CLARA VALLEY  
WATER DISTRICT



### Safe, Clean Water & Natural Flood Protection Program

#### 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.

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# Social Media

- Facebook
- Instagram
- Twitter
- Nextdoor
- Microsite

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HOW IMPORTANT IS SAFE, CLEAN WATER AND NATURAL FLOOD PROTECTION TO YOU? At Valley Water, we are working to protect our community's drinking water, keep residents and businesses safe from flooding and natural disasters, repair and replace aging dams, reservoirs and pipelines, while reducing toxins, hazards and contaminants in our waterways. Take our two-minute survey and be heard! <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/safecleanwater>



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STEELHEAD ON THE MOVE: In northern Santa Clara County, native steelhead journey downstream and out to San Francisco Bay to grow and mature in the cool saltwater of the Pacific Ocean. Within a few years, they make their way back to their freshwater spawning beds and the cycle begins again. These young steelhead were spotted recently by Valley Water's fish tracking cameras in the Guadalupe River. It's one way our biologists track and study our native steelhead so we better understand this precious resource and to ensure our work helps protect our natural environment.

# 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





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