



SAFE, CLEAN WATER AND NATURAL FLOOD PROTECTION PROGRAM  
INDEPENDENT MONITORING COMMITTEE

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# MINUTES

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**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2025**

(Paragraph numbers coincide with agenda item numbers)

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program Independent Monitoring Committee was held on February 19, 2025 at the Headquarters Building Boardroom, 5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, CA 95118.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Committee Chair Jeffrey Hare called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

**1.1. ROLL CALL**

A quorum was established with nine Members present.

**Members in attendance were:**

District 1: Marc Rauser

District 2: Chairperson Jeffrey Hare, Kathleen Sutherland

District 3: Will Ector

District 4: Vice Chairperson Susan M. Landry

District 5: Bill Hoeft and George Fohner

District 6: Patrick Kwok

District 7: Forest Peterson

**Members absent were:**

District 3: Bill Chuan

Member Rebecca Gallardo, District 6, arrived as noted below.

Directors in attendance were: Director Richard Santos, District 3

Valley Water staff in attendance were: : Emmanuel Aryee, Mark Bilski, Wade Blackard, John Bourgeois Jen Codianne, Jessica Collins, Meenakshi Ganjoo, Rachael Gibson, Chris Hakes, Dave Leon, Ryan McCarter, Patrice McElroy, Lizzie Mercado, Judy Nam, Tony Ndah, Max Overland, Peter Park, Luz Penilla, Kevin Sibley, and Kirsten Struve.

Public in attendance were: Rebecca's iPhone, and Sam.

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

There was no one who wished to speak.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**3.1 APPROVE THE JANUARY 31, 2025 IMC MINUTES**

Recommendation: Approve the January 31, 2025 IMC minutes

It was moved by Vice Chairperson Landry, seconded by Member Hoeft, and unanimously carried, to approve the January 31, 2025 Committee meeting minutes as submitted.

**4. REGULAR AGENDA**

**4.1 REPORT DRAFTING COMMITTEE PRESENTS FINAL INDEPENDENT MONITORING COMMITTEE (IMC) ANNUAL REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024**

Meenakshi Ganjoo and Jessica Collins reviewed the information on this item, per the attached Committee Agenda Memo, and the corresponding presentation materials contained in Attachments 1, 2, and 3, and were available to answer questions.

Member Gallardo arrived at 4:09 p.m.

Discussion ensued relating to various proposed edits to the report.

It was moved by Member Kwok, seconded by Vice Chairperson Landry, and carried by unanimous vote, to approve all edits and feedback in the final report for submission to the Board of Directors.

**4.2. RECEIVE INFORMATION ON AND DISCUSS SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT'S PROPOSED AMENDED CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE**

Patrice McElroy reviewed the information on this item, per the attached Committee Agenda Memo, and the corresponding presentation materials contained in Attachment 1. Patrice McElroy, Jessica Collins, and Luz Penilla were available to answer questions.

The Committee received the information, provided feedback and comments, and took no formal action.

**5. CLERK REVIEW AND CLARIFICATION OF COMMITTEE REQUESTS.**

The Committee took no formal action.

**6. ADJOURN.**

Chairperson Hare adjourned the meeting at 5:34 p.m.

Dave Leon  
Assistant Deputy Clerk II  
Office of the Clerk of the Board

Approved: December 3, 2025