



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

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# MINUTES

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**THURSDAY, September 11, 2025**

(Paragraph numbers coincide with agenda item numbers)

A special meeting and site visit (in-person only) of the Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program Independent Monitoring Committee was held on September 11, 2025 at the Headquarters Building Boardroom, 5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, CA 95118.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Committee Vice Chairperson Susan Landry called the meeting to order at 8:36 a.m.

**1.1. ROLL CALL**

A quorum was established with eight members present.

**Members in attendance were:**

District 1: Marc Rauser

District 2: Erika Laguna, Greg Pollock

District 3: Will Ector and Bill Chuan

District 4: Vice Chairperson Susan M. Landry

District 5: Bill Hoeft

District 7: Forest Peterson

**Members absent were:**

District 5: George Fohner

District 6: Rebecca Gallardo and Patrick Kwok

Valley Water staff in attendance were: Wade Blackard, Jessica Collins, Meenakshi Ganjoo, Dave Leon, Nicole Merritt, Sophie Padilla, and Stephanie Simunic.

No members of the public were in attendance.

- 2. TIME OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY ITEM NOT ON THE AGENDA**  
There was no one who wished to speak.

**4. REGULAR AGENDA**

**4.1 IMC COMMITTEE TOUR OF VARIOUS VALLEY WATER PROJECT SITES**

Recommendation: The tour of the various sites is for informational purposes only and no staff recommendation or action is requested to be taken by the Committee at this time.

The Committee recessed to the tour at 8:37 a.m. and departed Valley Water headquarters at 8:55 a.m.

The Committee took an in-person tour of the following sites:

- Coyote Creek Flood Protection Project
- Anderson Dam Seismic Retrofit Project
- Hale Creek Enhancement Pilot Project
- Saratoga Creek Hazard Tree Removal and Restoration Project

- 5. CLERK REVIEW AND CLARIFICATION OF COMMITTEE REQUESTS.**  
The Committee took no formal action.

**6. ADJOURN.**

At the conclusion of the site visit at the Saratoga Creek Hazard Tree Removal and Restoration Project, Vice Chairperson Landry adjourned the meeting and site visits at 3:05 p.m.

Dave Leon  
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Office of the Clerk of the Board

Approved: December 3, 2025