



SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

NON-AGENDA

June 12, 2026

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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45	Email from Director Beall to John Domingue, dated 06/10/26, responding to their inquiry regarding letters issued to homeowners along the Almaden Country Club golf course.

Outlook as of June 1, 2026

On May 19, 2026, the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation announced an increase in the 2026 south-of-delta Central Valley Project (CVP) allocation from 70% to 75% of historic Municipal and Industrial (M&I) use and from 20% to 25% of agricultural allocation. On May 14, 2026, the California Department of Water Resources increased the State Water Project (SWP) allocation from 30% to 45% of contract amount for 2026. Locally, there was below-average rainfall in May as compared to the historical average for this month. Total storage in local reservoirs, with the exception of Anderson Reservoir, is near the historical average level for this time of year. Treated water deliveries were below average in May, and groundwater conditions remain healthy.

Weather

- Rainfall in San José:
 - » Month of May, City of San José = 0.12 inches or 27% of the historical average for this month
 - » Rainfall year total = 15.08 inches or 107% of the historical average to date (rainfall year is July 1 to June 30)
- May 30, 2026, Northern Sierra snowpack was 0% of normal for this date

Local Reservoirs

- Total June 1 storage = 49,738 acre-feet

Reservoir Storage	All Ten Valley Water Reservoirs	All Reservoirs Except Anderson
Storage as % of unrestricted capacity	30%	60%
Storage as % of restricted capacity (1)	79%	77%
Storage as % of the 20-year average for June 1	57%	102%

(1) Per the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's order, the capacity of Anderson Reservoir was restricted to the deadpool storage as of October 1, 2020

- No imported water was delivered into Calero Reservoir during May 2026
- Total estimated releases to streams (local and imported water) during May 2026 were 6,560 acre-feet (based on preliminary hydrologic data)

Treated Water

- Below average demands of 7,506 acre-feet were delivered in May
- This total is 88% of the five-year average for the month of May
- Year-to-date deliveries are 21,249 acre-feet or 73% of the five-year average

Groundwater

- Groundwater conditions remain healthy throughout the county. Groundwater levels in most regional monitoring wells are comparable to those observed last month, with some wells exhibiting increases and others decreases. While most of the water levels are lower relative to May 2025, many are the same as, or higher than, the prior five-year average for May. The end of 2026 groundwater storage is projected to be in Stage 1 (Normal) of the Water Shortage Contingency Plan

	Santa Clara Subbasin		Llagas Subbasin
	Santa Clara Plain	Coyote Valley	
May 2026 managed recharge estimate	5,600	1,200	2,400
YTD managed recharge estimate	25,600	6,100	9,600
YTD managed recharge as % of five-year average	102%	107%	126%
April 2026 pumping estimate	6,600	1,100	2,600
YTD pumping estimate	23,400	3,600	9,900
YTD pumping as % of five-year average	128%	102%	145%
Current index well groundwater levels compared to May 2025	2 feet lower	2 feet lower	6 feet lower

All volumes are in acre-feet. All data is for 2026 except where noted. YTD = Year-to-Date.

Imported Water

- In May (through May 31st), the SWP operated Banks pumping plant with an average daily export of 981 acre-feet, resulting in a total export of 30,426 acre-feet from the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta for the month. This is the total amount pumped in May for the entire SWP to support the SWP allocation. Valley Water's SWP contract provides Santa Clara County 2.5% of the total SWP contract quantity available each year
- In May (through May 31st), the CVP operated Jones pumping plant with an average daily export of 3,495 acre-feet, resulting in a total export of 108,366 acre-feet from the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta for the month. This is the total amount pumped in May for the entire CVP to support the south-of-delta CVP allocation. Valley Water's CVP contract provides Santa Clara County 4.7% of the total CVP contract quantity available each year
- Delta flow and water quality requirements were controlling the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta export facilities this past month. Project facilities, including delta exports, were operated to maintain the Projects' respective flow requirements and water quality standards in the delta for the month of May

WY 2026 Imported Water Allocations	Allocation (%)	Allocation (acre-feet)	Details
SWP	45%	45,000	Allocation updated on 5/14/26
CVP	25% Ag 75% M&I	Approximately 104,000	Allocation updated on 5/19/26
State-wide Reservoir Storage	Capacity	Current Storage (acre-feet)	Percent of Average for Date (as of 5/31/26)
Shasta Reservoir	87%	3,958,442	104%
Oroville Reservoir	97%	3,335,725	119%
San Luis Reservoir	74%	1,508,140	106%
Semitropic Groundwater Bank	Capacity	Current Storage (acre-feet)	Date of Data
	87%	304,084	6/1/26
Estimated SFPUC Deliveries	April 2026 (acre-feet)	2026 Total to Date (acre-feet)	Five-Year Annual Average (acre-feet)
	2,947	13,813	45,800

Conserved Water

- Saved 87,392 acre-feet in FY25 through Valley Water's long-term conservation program (baseline year is 1992)
- Long-term program goal is to save nearly 100,000 acre-feet by 2030, 110,000 acre-feet by 2040, and 126,000 acre-feet by 2050
- On June 13, 2023, the Board of Directors adopted a resolution to support water conservation as a way of life in Santa Clara County and an ordinance with a set of permanent water waste prohibitions

Recycled Water

- Estimated May 2026 production = 1,484 acre-feet
- Estimated year-to-date through May = 4,793 acre-feet or 99% of the five-year average
- Silicon Valley Advanced Water Purification Center produced an estimated 1.4 billion gallons (4,387 acre-feet) of purified water in 2025. Since the beginning of 2026, about 1,841 acre-feet of purified water has been produced. The purified water is blended with existing tertiary recycled water for South Bay Water Recycling Program customers

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To find out the latest information on Valley Water projects or to submit questions or comments, email info@valleywater.org or use our **Access Valley Water** customer request system at <https://deliver.com/2yukx>.



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BOARD MEMBER REQUESTS and Informational Items

Report Name: Board Member Requests

Request	Request Date	Director	BAO/Chief	Staff	Description	20 Days Due Date	Expected Completion Date	Disposition
IBMR-26-0002	06/01/26	Varela	Baker	Struve	Director Varela has asked staff to review the Amazon project proposed in Gilroy and determine impacts on potable water supply and to agriculture. https://www.cityofgilroy.org/1019/Gilroy-Data-Center-by-AWS	06/21/26		
BMR-26-0003	06/09/26	Hsueh	Chan	Penilla Collins	At the 6/9/26 Board meeting, Director Hsueh requested that staff consider continued funding for water conservation programs beyond the 7 years allocated in the Safe Clean Water Program.	06/30/26		

INCOMING BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Board Correspondence (open)

Correspond No	Rec'd By District	Rec'd By COB	Letter To	Letter From	Description	Disposition	BAO/ Chief	Staff	Draft Response Due Date	Draft Response Submitted	Writer Ack. Sent	Final Response Due Date
BC-26-0043	05/22/26	05/22/26	Varela	SCOTT GEFRE	Email from Scott, dated 5/22/26, to Director Varela, requesting assistance to review local hydrology for an upcoming development project.	Refer to Staff	Baker	Gurdak Williams	05/30/26	05/29/26	n/a	06/05/26
BC-26-0048	06/07/26	06/08/26	All	LIANG CHAO	Email from Liang Chao, dated 06/07/26, inquiring about the implementation of AB 1572 related to potable water and non-functional turf.	Refer to Staff	Gibson Baker	Struve Golka	06/16/26	-	n/a	06/22/26

From: [Candice Kwok-Smith](#)
To: [Board of Directors](#)
Subject: FW: San Martin storm drai
Date: Thursday, June 4, 2026 8:16:55 AM
Attachments: [image003.png](#)
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From: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Wednesday, June 3, 2026 9:05 PM
To: James Downing <JDowning@valleywater.org>
Subject: RE: San Martin storm drai

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Thank you, James for your swift action, and referral to Julianna. She and I spoke and I will provide her the addresses of the residences on San Martin Ave. I plan to reply to her Thursday, as I was in San Jose all day today.

Again, much appreciation.

Connie

[Sent from AT&T Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

On Wed, Jun 3, 2026 at 4:12 PM, James Downing
<JDowning@valleywater.org> wrote:

Hello Connie,

Jason Gurdak directed your email to me since my team facilitates Valley Water's stormwater compliance program. It appears that you may not have been connected appropriately at the County for response to this issue. While Valley Water has jurisdiction over some stretches of creeks and some land adjacent to them, the County or local municipality has jurisdiction over the storm drain systems that drain into them, but this is usually not Code Enforcement.

I contacted our colleague Julianna Martin, Management Analyst in the County's Watershed

Protection Division (contact below). If she hasn't already, she should be contacting you directly. Thank you very much for keeping a watchful eye out for pollution sources, and since jurisdictions are not always clear, please feel free to contact Valley Water's pollution hotline (1-888-510-5151) or Access Valley Water online (<https://access.valleywater.org>) which are always staffed and can respond directly or contact the appropriate agency.

Best Regards,

JAMES DOWNING

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Julianna Martin (she/her)

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From: Jason Gurdak <JGurdak@valleywater.org>

Sent: Wednesday, June 3, 2026 8:03 AM

To: James Downing <JDowning@valleywater.org>

Cc: Greg Williams <GWilliams@valleywater.org>; Melissa Moore <mmoore@valleywater.org>
Subject: FW: San Martin storm drain

Hi James,

I received the following concern from Connie Ludewig in unincorporated San Martin about residents sweeping trash into the storm drain. She cc'd Director Varela.

I sent her an initial confirmation below.

Since this is stormwater related, it is something your team could respond to?

I see on our Yellow Pages there is a number for the County for storm drain dumping.

Thanks,

Jason

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From: Jason Gurdak
Sent: Wednesday, June 3, 2026 7:13 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: Sharon Luna [REDACTED] John Varela <jvarela@valleywater.org>;
Melissa Moore <mmoore@valleywater.org>
Subject: RE: San Martin storm drain

Good morning Ms. Ludewig,

Thank you for sharing your concerns regarding the storm drains in San Martin.

I'll make sure this gets to the appropriate department here at Valley Water for a response.

Thank you,

Jason

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 12:15 PM
To: Jason Gurdak <JGurdak@valleywater.org>
Cc: Sharon Luna [REDACTED]; John Varela <jvarela@valleywater.org>;
Melissa Moore <mmoore@valleywater.org>
Subject: San Martin storm drai

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Hi.

I'm a resident of San Martin, and Vice President of San Martin Neighborhood Association (SMNA), as well as a graduate of the VW Water Ambassador program. As such, it was recently brought to my attention that there is an ongoing concern about the resident(s) sweeping rubbish (including canine waste) to the storm drain, along E San Martin Avenue, in the vicinity of Lincoln Ave.

The previous incidents were reported to SCC Code Enforcement, and the SCC County yard, who most recently advised contacting Valley Water. A local neighbor has repeatedly cleaned up the area, and the County Yard staff has also, following the complaint a few months ago.

The neighbor was recently advised to contact Valley Water to followup and resolve these recurring incidents in the unincorporated village core of San Martin. I was in turn asked to contact Valley Water to bring awareness to this situation, and get some resolve.

Thank you in advance for your concern, and for your assistance to contact the appropriate person and department, to promptly address and prevent future recurrences. I look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,

Connie Ludewig

[REDACTED]

From: [Liang Chao](#)
To: [Board of Directors](#)
Cc: [Clerk of the Board](#)
Subject: Inquiry Regarding AB 1572 Compliance, Certification and Local Implementation
Date: Sunday, June 7, 2026 5:04:26 PM

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Dear Valley Water Board Members,

I am the Vice Mayor of Cupertino, writing in my individual capacity. A few businesses and residents have inquired about the implementation of AB 1572, which would prohibit the use of potable water to irrigate nonfunctional turf. As I understand it, the compliance deadline is January 1, 2027 for local governments, January 1, 2028 for commercial properties, and January 1, 2029 for HOAs.

AB 1572 authorizes "the State Water Resources Control Board to create a form for compliance certification and would require owners of covered properties to certify their compliance, as specified. The bill would authorize a public water system, city, county, or city and county to enforce these provisions, as specified."

Has Valley Water received any guidance from the State Water Resources Control Board regarding the AB 1572 compliance certification form or certification process? I would also appreciate any clarification on Valley Water's expected role, if any, in local implementation, including adoption of regulations or policies, compliance procedures, or enforcement.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Liang Chao



OUTGOING BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

June 10, 2026

The Honorable Jimmy Panetta
U.S. House of Representatives
206 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Zoe Lofgren
U.S. House of Representatives
1401 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representatives Panetta and Lofgren:

Thank you for your June 1, 2026, letter regarding the Anderson Dam Seismic Retrofit Project (ADSRP) and the importance of integrating strong labor standards into our contractor selection process. We appreciate your leadership in making this important project possible from the outset, including your ongoing assistance in helping Valley Water in its pursuit of Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) credit assistance to ensure that this vital project can move forward while minimizing impact to our ratepayers.

The Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water) shares your commitment to project integrity, fair compensation, and strong workforce protections. Accordingly, the contractor qualification phase of our ADSRP procurement included evaluation of contractor labor compliance. Below is a summary of how these issues were addressed during the Request for Prequalification Applications (RFPA) and the Invitation to Bid (ITB) phases of our procurement process.

- The ADSRP is fully subject to Valley Water's Project Labor Agreement (PLA) with the Santa Clara and San Benito Counties Building and Construction Trades Council. Applicants to bid on the ADSRP were required to explicitly commit to signing the PLA, and any "No" response resulted in immediate disqualification under our pass/fail eligibility criteria.
- The RFPA mandated California Department of Industrial Relations registration and required comprehensive disclosures. Past performance was evaluated through targeted inquiries into public works ineligibility, debarment, delinquent back-wages, wage/hour and labor violations, workplace discrimination, safety violations, and false claims.
- Applicants submitted details on their current and intended apprenticeship programs, as well as their use of third-party labor compliance reviews for subcontractors, all of which were thoroughly vetted.
- Reflecting the federal investment you noted, the ITB explicitly incorporated the Davis-Bacon Act prevailing wage law, California prevailing wage laws, Equal Employment Opportunity standards, and the additional considerations required by the WIFIA program, including the Contract Work Hours Safety Standards Act and federal debarment and suspension rules.

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Please be assured that moving forward, all applicable labor standards, contractor obligations, wages, benefits, apprenticeship mandates, and compliance monitoring will be strictly enforced through our administration of the ADSRP construction contract.

Thank you again for your vital support of the ADSRP, which, as you noted, is a critical infrastructure endeavor to advance public safety and strengthen water management in our community. Should you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Marta Lugo, Deputy Administrative Officer for External Affairs, at mlugo@valleywater.org or (408) 630-2237.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tony Estremera". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Tony" being more prominent and the last name "Estremera" written in a continuous script.

Tony Estremera
Chair, Board of Directors

cc: Board of Directors (7)

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