



Santa Clara Valley Water District Board of Directors Meeting

City of Morgan Hill Council Chamber Bldg, 17555 Peak Ave, Morgan Hill, CA
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SPECIAL SOUTH COUNTY BOARD MEETING AGENDA

**Friday, April 25, 2025
7:00 PM**

District Mission: Provide Silicon Valley safe, clean water for a healthy life, environment and economy.

DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Tony Estremera, Chair-District 6
Richard P. Santos, Vice Chair-District 3
John L. Varela-District 1
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1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:

1.1. Roll Call.

1.2. Pledge of Allegiance/National Anthem.

1.3. Time Open for Public Comment on any Item not on the Agenda.

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2. 7:00 PM - TIME CERTAIN:

- 2.1. Conduct Continued Public Hearing on the February 2025 Annual Report on the Protection and Augmentation of Water Supplies and Recommended Increases in Groundwater Production Charges, Surface Water Charges, and Recycled Water Charges for Fiscal Year 2025-26; Consider Staff's Recommendation Concerning Setting of State Water Project Tax. (Continued from April 8, 2025). [25-0283](#)

- Recommendation:
- A. Conduct the continued Public Hearing pursuant to Section 26.6 of the District Act to consider Santa Clara Valley Water District's Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 Annual Report on the Protection and Augmentation of Water Supplies and recommended increases to groundwater production charges (between 7.9% to 11.2%), surface water charges (between 8% to 11.1%) and recycled water charges (between 4.6% to 8.1%);
 - B. Hear public comments from groundwater producers and any interested persons regarding the Report and recommendations;
 - C. Consider any written protests to proposed surface water rate increases;
 - D. Direct staff to review such Report with, and solicit comments from, Santa Clara Valley Water District's advisory committees;
 - E. Consider staff's recommendation to set the State Water Project tax in an amount sufficient to pay next year's State Water Project costs (excluding Delta Conveyance Project costs) to avoid severe water rate impacts and keep rates feasible; and
 - F. Continue the Public Hearing regarding such Report and proposed charges to the May 16, 2025, special regular meeting, at 1:00 pm.

Manager: Aaron Baker, 408-630-2135

Attachments: [Attachment 1: Staff Report](#)
[Attachment 2: PowerPoint](#)
[Attachment 3: SCVWD Resolution No. 12-10](#)

Est. Staff Time: 45 Minutes

3. CLERK REVIEW AND CLARIFICATION OF BOARD REQUESTS:

4. ADJOURN:

- 4.1 The Board will convene for the next Regular meeting at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, May 16, 2025, in the Santa Clara Valley Water District Headquarters Building Boardroom, 5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, California, and via Zoom teleconference.