

CEO BULLETIN



To: Board of Directors
From: Melanie Richardson, Interim CEO

Weeks of February 21, 2025 – March 6, 2025

Board Executive Limitation Policy EL-7:

The Board Appointed Officers shall inform and support the Board in its work. Further, a BAO shall 1) inform the Board of relevant trends, anticipated adverse media coverage, or material external and internal changes, particularly changes in the assumptions upon which any Board policy has previously been established and 2) report in a timely manner an actual or anticipated noncompliance with any policy of the Board.

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1. Planned 3-Day Penitencia Water Treatment Plant Shutdown from March 18 to March 20, 2025

Starting March 18, 2025, the Penitencia Water Treatment Plant (PWTP) will be shut down for three (3) days to perform critical electrical repairs at the wash water recovery system. Performing these repair activities is essential to ensure that the water treatment plant's critical systems and equipment are performing reliably and at full capacity during the upcoming high flow season.

During this period customers who normally get their water from PWTP will be served by the Santa Teresa Water Treatment Plant (STWTP) and are expected to experience little to no change in their water characteristics.

This shutdown schedule has been communicated to the East Pipeline (EPL) retailers. The joint Valley Water-San Francisco Public Utilities Commission Intertie Facility will be placed on standby to provide emergency supply to the EPL should any operational emergencies occur either at STWTP or raw water source.

The PWTP is scheduled to return to service end of day on March 20, 2025.

For further information, please contact Sam Bogale at (408) 630-3505.

2. Planned 8-Day Santa Teresa Water Treatment Plant Shutdown from March 31 to April 8, 2025

Starting March 31, 2025, the Santa Teresa Water Treatment Plant (STWTP) will be shut down for eight (8) days to perform biennial electrical systems testing and other preventative maintenance and improvement activities. Performing periodic preventive maintenance is essential to ensure that the water treatment plant's critical systems are safe, reliable, and remain in good working order.

During this period, the majority of customers who normally get their water from STWTP will be served by the Penitencia Water Treatment Plant (PWTP), with the exception of the Graystone Turnout which will be offline.

This shutdown schedule has been communicated with the East Pipeline (EPL) retailers. The joint Valley Water-San Francisco Public Utilities Commission Intertie Facility will be placed on standby to provide emergency supply to the EPL should any operational emergencies occur either at PWTP or the raw water source.

STWTP is scheduled to return to service the morning of April 8, 2025.

For further information, please contact Sam Bogale at (408) 630-3505.

3. Safe, Clean Water Refill Station Grant Closeout: PTA California Congress of Parents Teachers & Students, Inc.'s Valley Water Refill Station Project – Pearl Zanker Elementary School

In Fiscal Year 2024, Valley Water awarded the PTA California Congress of Parents Teachers & Students, Inc. a \$5,000 Safe, Clean Water Program F9 Valley Water Refill Station Grant for their Valley Water Refill Station Project (Project) at Pearl Zanker Elementary School. Grantee completed the Project on April 11, 2024, and submitted the final invoice items on April 22, 2024, allowing for grant closeout.

PTA California Congress of Parents Teachers & Students, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that aims to promote the welfare of children and youth in schools through advocacy, education and collaboration between parents, teachers and the community. The grant funds were used to purchase and install a new water bottle refill station at Pearl Zanker Elementary School in Milpitas. The Project provides access to safe, clean drinking water to more than 600 school-aged students (TK – 6th grade). The station encourages the use of reusable water bottles and reduces the amount of plastic water bottle waste.

Key Outcomes:

- Installed one new water bottle refill station at Pearl Zanker Elementary School to serve more than 600 students.
- Promotes the use of reusable water bottles and reduces the amount of plastic water bottle waste generated by students, staff, and visitors.

For further information, please contact Rachael Gibson at (408) 630-2884.

4. Valley Water's public meeting on the Anderson Dam Seismic Retrofit Project Final Environmental Impact Report

On February 20, 2025, Valley Water held a public meeting to provide an update on the Anderson Dam Seismic Retrofit Project (ADSRP) Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR). The hybrid event took place at the Morgan Hill Community and Cultural Center and was offered through Zoom. It attracted 92 public participants, with 48 people attending in person, including Valley Water Director John Varela who provided opening remarks. Vice Chair Richard Santos and Director Jim Beall, also attended, along with Morgan Hill Mayor Mark Turner, and Morgan Hill councilmembers Soraida Iwanaga and Marilyn Librers. There were 44 online participants, including Director Nai Hsueh.

The presentation covered an update on the Anderson Dam Tunnel Project, and an overview on the project and Final EIR. It was followed by a Question-and-Answer session, where Valley Water engaged with community members.

A link to the recording of the public meeting is available on the project website and Valley Water's YouTube channel.

For further information, please contact Rachael Gibson at (408) 630-2884.

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Staff will work with the Water Commission chairperson to schedule updates on Valley Water's CIP and conservation programs at the upcoming July and October Water Commission Meetings.

For further information, please contact Marta Lugo at (408) 630-2237.

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