

From: [Ali](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board](#)
Subject: Property Damage to Food Truck (Bibz N Ribz LLC)
Date: Tuesday, September 2, 2025 4:48:19 PM
Attachments: [Tree claim Bibz n Ribz 81825.pdf](#)

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Dear Clerk of the Board,

Please find attached my completed Claim Against the Santa Clara Valley Water District regarding the incident that occurred on August 18, 2025, when a sycamore tree located on District-managed property at 4580 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, CA 95118, fell onto my food truck (Bibz N Ribz LLC).

The falling tree caused extensive structural and operational damage to the truck, as well as business interruption losses. An arborist contracted by Valley Water, Mr. Neil Church, confirmed the tree was dead and in hazardous condition at the time of collapse.

For your reference:

- Attached Document: Completed claim form (PDF)
- Supporting Evidence: Photos of the damage and related documentation are available in this Google Drive folder: <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1M2cRqrYe41YmiczLuUYsBwbDHwpbzHaO>

I respectfully request that this claim be processed and reviewed. Please confirm receipt of this email and let me know if any additional documentation or information is required.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Bilal Abbas

Owner – Bibz N Ribz LLC

5231 Roeder Rd, San Jose, CA 95111

Email: bibznribz@gmail.com

Phone: (408) 510-8493



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The completed form can be mailed, sent electronically or hand delivered. Mail or deliver to: Clerk of the Board Santa Clara Valley Water District-HQ 5700 Almaden Expressway San Jose, CA 95118 Or submit the completed form electronically to: clerkoftheboard@valleywater.org	Clerk of the Board's Date Stamp	
	For SCVWD Use Only	
	Date Received: 09/03/25	ROUTING
	☐ Via U.S. Mail	☒ CEO
	☐ Hand Delivered	☒ District Counsel
	☒ Email	☒ Risk Management
☐ Other: _____	☒ COB	
	☐ BOD (District #): _____	

With certain exceptions, claims for personal injury or property damage MUST be filed within six months of the incident giving rise to the claim. Claimant must complete each section. If information is unknown, write "unknown" in the appropriate box. Please use additional pages if necessary. Please attach itemized receipts, witness statements, photos and all other documentation that you believe will be helpful to process your claim. Claimant MUST sign and date the form; see last page.

Name of Claimant: Bibz n Ribz LLC		Email Address: bibznribz@gmail.com	
Address of Claimant: 5231 Roeder Rd		City: san jose	State: ca
		Zip: 95111	
Address to which Notices should be sent, if different from above:		City:	State:
		Zip:	
Home Phone Number:	Cell Phone Number: 4085108493	Work Phone Number:	
Is this claim being filed on behalf of a minor? ☐ Yes ☒ No		If so, please indicate minor's date of birth: Relationship to the minor:	
Date and time of incident or loss: 8/18/25	Location of incident or loss (address): 4580 Almaden Expy San Jose, CA 95118	Is there a police report? ☐ Yes If Yes, Police Report Case #: ☒ No	

Describe how the incident or loss happened, and the reason you believe the Santa Clara Valley Water District is responsible for your damages (Please attach additional sheets if necessary):

On August 18, 2025, a large sycamore tree located on land managed by the Santa Clara Valley Water District fell onto my food truck, owned by Bibz N Ribz LLC. The tree collapse caused significant structural damage to the roof, interior ceiling, exterior wrap, and the ventilation exhaust fan, which is essential to the truck's safe operation.

After the incident, Neil Church, an arborist working on behalf of the Santa Clara Valley Water District inspected the site and confirmed that the tree was a dead sycamore. The tree was in a hazardous condition that should have been identified and addressed through reasonable inspection and maintenance of District property. The failure to properly monitor and maintain the tree resulted directly in the damage to my food truck.



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In detail, describe the damage or injury (Please attach additional sheets if necessary):

The falling tree caused extensive damage to the food truck, including:

-Roof & Structural Frame: The roof was crushed and dented by the impact of the tree, with wood penetrating sections of the roof. The impact compromised the structural integrity of the roof and frame, making the vehicle unsafe to operate in its current condition.

-Interior Ceiling: The interior ceiling caved in at the point of impact, damaging the ceiling panels, insulation, and surrounding materials.

-Ventilation Exhaust Fan: The ventilation exhaust fan mounted on the roof was destroyed. This fan is essential for safe airflow and overall vehicle operation and must be replaced.

-Exterior Wrap & Bodywork: The exterior wrap was damaged due to the body panels being dented and crushed. Repairs to the body will be required, followed by a full reapplication of the wrap to restore the truck's condition and branding.

-Additional Dents and Surface Damage: Multiple other areas of the roof and body were dented and damaged by the falling debris.

-Loss of Income: Due to the truck being unsafe to operate until repairs are completed, business operations have been halted, resulting in significant loss of income.

List Name(s) and contact information of any witness(es) or District employee involved (if any):

-Rebecca Wolff

-Neil Church

-Lilian Dennis

DAMAGES CLAIMED: Basis for computation of amounts claimed (include copies of bills, invoices, estimates, receipts, photos, police case # or other documentation.) Note: If your claim is more than \$10,000, you need not fill in an amount, but must state whether jurisdiction for the claim would be in the Limited Jurisdiction (up to \$25,000) or Unlimited jurisdiction of the Superior Court.

Is the amount of the claim under \$10,000?

☐ Yes

☒ No

Court Jurisdiction: (Check One)

☐ Limited Civil

☒ Unlimited Civil

ITEMS	CLAIM AMOUNT
1.Exterior structural damage to food truck	\$
2.Interior damage to food truck	\$
3.Exterior bodywork and wrap damaged	\$
4.Loss of income	\$
TOTAL AMOUNT	\$

WARNING: IT IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE TO FILE A FALSE OR FRAUDULENT CLAIM (Penal Code Section 72 and 550)

I have read the matters and statements made in the above claim and I know the same to be true of my own knowledge, except to those matters stated upon information and belief and as to such matters I believe the same to be true. I certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is TRUE and CORRECT.

Bilal Abbas, Managina member

Signed this 27th day of august, 20 2025

Claimant's Signature

Government Code Section 945.6 provides that, with limited exceptions, any suit brought against a public entity must be commenced:

- (1) If written notice is given of a denial of claim in accordance with **Section 913**, not later than six months after the date such notice is personally delivered or deposited in the mail.
- (2) If written notice is not given of a denial of claim in accordance with **Section 913**, within two years from the accrual of the cause of action.

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