

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT**

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-

**DETERMINING RAW SURFACE WATER, TREATED WATER, AND SOUTH COUNTY
RECYCLED WATER CHARGES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027**

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water) does find and declare as follows:

1. Pursuant to Valley Water Resolution No. 12-10, on February 27, 2026, Valley Water mailed written notice to all “Record Owners” (raw surface water permittees/customers/landowners), advising them of Valley Water’s proposed raw surface water charge rates to be levied in Fiscal Year 2026–2027 in Zones W-2, W-5, W-7, and W-8, and of the opportunity to be heard concerning such charges at a public hearing commencing on April 14, 2026 and continuing through April 28, 2026, including their right to file a written protest objecting to any applicable proposed rate increase;
2. On the 14th day of April 2026, at 1 p.m. a public hearing upon said rates/charges was duly commenced, and was continued for further hearing to the evening of April 22, 2026 in Morgan Hill, California, and again continued to the afternoon of April 28, 2026, whereupon the hearing was concluded, more than 45 days after notice of the hearing was given;
3. That during said public hearing, additional information and evidence was provided that was considered by the Board in making this decision;
4. The charges established by this resolution are for the purpose of paying the cost of constructing, maintaining, and operating facilities to import water into Valley Water; paying the cost of purchasing imported water; paying the cost of constructing, maintaining, and operating facilities for groundwater recharge, surface distribution, and the purification and treatment of water; and paying the principal and interest of any bonded indebtedness or other financial obligations of Valley Water incurred for those purposes;
5. Raw surface water permittees/customers and landowners of parcels receiving raw surface water were given the opportunity to file a written protest objecting to the proposed raw surface water charge increase;
6. This Board has now considered all protests objecting to the proposed raw surface water charge increases for Zones W-2, W-5, W-7, and W-8, respectively, and after the close of the hearing determined that written protests were not received from more than 50 percent of the record owners of surface water facilities in Zone W-2, W-5, W-7, and W-8; and
7. The California Environmental Quality Act does not apply to approval of these charges.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Santa Clara Valley Water District that the charges to be applied in fiscal year 2026–2027 (July 1, 2026–June 30, 2027) for raw surface water delivered by Valley Water, the following charges shall apply:

1. The Basic User Charge per acre-foot for raw surface-delivered water in Zone W-2 is:

Water Other Than Agricultural	Agricultural Water
\$2,673.00	\$46.50

2. The Basic User Charge per acre-foot for raw surface-delivered water in Zone W-5 is:

Water Other Than Agricultural	Agricultural Water
\$665.50	\$46.50

3. The Basic User Charge per acre-foot for raw surface-delivered water in Zone W-7 is:

Water Other Than Agricultural	Agricultural Water
\$913.00	\$46.50

4. The Basic User Charge per acre-foot for raw surface-delivered water in Zone W-8 is:

Water Other Than Agricultural	Agricultural Water
\$501.00	\$46.50

5. The charge for watermaster service throughout Valley Water whether such service is for agricultural water or for water other than agricultural water, shall be \$73.00 per acre-foot; and

6. Charges per acre-foot for raw surface water delivered to raw surface water permittees outside of Zone W-2, Zone W-5, Zone W-7, or Zone W-8 shall be the same as those imposed within the zone to which the user’s turnout is most nearly located.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon due review of anticipated costs and revenues of Valley Water, the following rate schedule in dollars per acre-foot for the delivery of treated water is hereby established as the Contract Treated Water Charge, which is comprised of the Basic User Charge and the Treated Water Surcharge for the 2026–2027 fiscal year (July 1, 2026–June 30, 2027):

Charge	Amount
Basic User Charge	\$2,673.00
Treated Water Surcharge	<u>115.00</u>
Contract Treated Water Charge	\$2,788.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the price to be charged per acre-foot for recycled water from the South County Regional Wastewater Authority Facility at Gilroy and delivered to customers shall be the following for the 2026–2027 fiscal year (July 1, 2026–June 30, 2027):

Water Other Than Agricultural	Agricultural Water
\$645.50	\$76.85

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Santa Clara Valley Water District by the following vote on May 12, 2026:

AYES: Directors

NOES: Directors

ABSENT: Directors

ABSTAIN: Directors

SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

TONY ESTREMER
Chair, Board of Directors

ATTEST: CANDICE KWOK-SMITH

Clerk, Board of Directors

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