

2026 Work Plan: Santa Clara Valley Water Commission

Update: January 2026

The annual work plan establishes a framework for committee discussion and action during the annual meeting schedule. The Committee work plan is a dynamic document, subject to change as external and internal issues impacting the District occur and are recommended for committee discussion. Subsequently, an annual committee accomplishments report is developed based on the work plan and presented to the District Board of Directors.

ITEM	WORK PLAN ITEM BOARD POLICY	MEETING DATE	INTENDED OUTCOME(S) (Action or Information Only)	ACCOMPLISHMENT DATE AND OUTCOME
1	Election of Chair and Vice Chair for 2026	January 28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commission Elects Chair and Vice Chair for 2026. (Action) 	<p>Accomplished January 28, 2026 The Committee approved Hon. Member Srinivasan as Commission Chairperson and Hon. Member Rennie as Vice Chairperson.</p>
2	2025 Accomplishments Report	January 28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review and approve 2025 Accomplishments Report for presentation to the Board. (Action) Submit requests to the Board, as appropriate. 	<p>Accomplished January 28, 2026 The Commission unanimously approved the 2025 Annual Accomplishments Report for presentation to the Board.</p>
3	2026 Work Plan: Review of Santa Clara Valley Water Commission Work Plan, the Outcomes of Board Action of Commission Requests and the Commission's Next Meeting Agenda, and Recommend the Proposed 2025 Water Commission Work Plan to the Board	Vote: January 28 Review: April 8 July 22 October 28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Receive and review the FY2025-2026 Board-approved Committee work plan. (Information) Submit requests to the Board, as appropriate. (Action) 	<p>Accomplished January 28, 2026 The Commission approved their 2026 work plan with the addition of an item relating to an information review of impact of Artificial Intelligence (AI) and data centers on Valley Water requirements and supply. The Commission unanimously approved the 2025 Annual Accomplishments Report for presentation to the Board.</p>
4	Approve 2026 Meeting Schedule	January 28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss and approve 2026 meeting schedule. (Action) January 28 April 8 July 22 (may be changed to Aug.) October 28 	<p>Accomplished January 28, 2026 The Commission approved the 2026 Meeting Schedule.</p>

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5	Review and comment to the Board relating to the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Preliminary Groundwater Production Charges	January 28 April 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review and comment to the Board on the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Preliminary Groundwater Production Charges. (Information) Receive/discuss community outreach/messaging of groundwater rates. (Information) Submit requests to the Board, as appropriate. 	<p>Accomplished January 28, 2026 The Commission reviewed and commented on the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Preliminary Groundwater Production Charges.</p>
6	Standing Items Report Fiscal Year 2026 Goals and Strategies	January 28 October 28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Receive reports on FY25-26 Valley Water Board Work Plan standing items (Information) 	<p>Accomplished January 28, 2026 The Commission received the Standing Items Report Fiscal Year 2026 Goals and Strategies report.</p>
7	Review and comment to the Board relating to the Development of Valley Water's Water Supply Master Plan 2050	January 28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Receive Information and Provide Feedback on the Development of Valley Water's Water Supply Master Plan 2050. (Action) Receive information relating to possible desalination projects in the WSMP 2050 (Information) 	<p>Accomplished January 28, 2026 The Commission reviewed and commented the Board relating to the Development of Valley Water's Water Supply Master Plan 2050.</p>
8	Overview of Valley Water's Role in Emergency Preparedness and Response	TBD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Receive overview of Valley Water's Role in Emergency Preparedness and Response. (Information) 	
9	Overview of Valley Water's Water Conservation Programs	TBD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Receive information from Valley Water relating to water conservation programs. (Information) 	
10	Tour a VW Water Supply Facility	TBD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conduct tour (Information) 	

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11	Update of AB 1469 relating to Unhoused	TBD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Receive update on AB 1469 relating to unhoused (Information) 	
12	Overview/Update of Valley Water's Flood Protection Projects	TBD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Receive information from Valley Water relating to flood protection projects and efforts. (Information) 	
13	Informational review of impact of AI and data centers on Valley Water requirements and supply	TBD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Receive information relating to impact of AI and data centers on Valley Water requirements and supply. (Information) 	
14	Water Use Projections, Water Demand Elasticity and Customer Affordability Study	TBD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Receive information relating to Water Use Projections, Water Demand Elasticity and Customer Affordability Consultant Study (Information) 	

BOARD WORK PLAN GOALS:

1. **Integrated Water Resources Management** – Goal: Efficiently manage water resources across business areas.
2. **Water Supply** – Goal: Provide a reliable, safe, and affordable water supply for current and future generations in all communities served.
3. **Natural Flood Protection** – Goal: Provide natural flood protection to reduce risk and improve health and safety.
4. **Environmental Stewardship** – Goal: Sustain ecosystem health while managing local water resources for flood protection and water supply.
5. **Addressing Encampments of Unsheltered People** – Goal: safeguard water resources and facilities from encampment impacts.
6. **Extreme Weather Events** – Goal: Mitigate carbon emissions and adapt Valley Water operations to extreme weather events.
7. **Business Management** – Goal: Promote effective management of water supply, flood protection, and environmental stewardship through responsive and socially responsible business services.

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