



APPLICATION FOR A SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT COMMITTEE

Please complete this application in its entirety and submit an original signed copy to the Office of the Clerk of the Board at 5750 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, California 95118. If more space is needed, please attach additional pages. Applications are valid for one year from the date of receipt and are public record. This application is available on-line at www.valleywater.org under "Board of Directors." For assistance, please contact the Office of the Clerk of the Board at (408) 265-2607, extension 2277.

A. CONTACT INFORMATION

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| Name of Committee: <i>Environmental and Water Resources Committee</i> | | | |
| Name (First, Middle, Last): <i>Douglas Lee Peterson</i> | | | |
| Home Phone: | Work Phone: <i>—</i> | Cell Phone: | Fax: <i>—</i> |
| Mailing Address: (Street Address, City, State, ZIP) | | | |
| E-mail: | | | |
| If Applicable, Present Employer (Name and Address): | | Job Title: <i>Retired Elementary School Teacher</i> | |
| Do you have a current contractual relationship with the Santa Clara Valley Water District? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | | | |
| If Yes, please describe (if more space is needed, please attach additional pages): | | | |

B. VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

| List current and previous volunteer experience. Include experience with charitable organizations, committees and commissions, or public offices you may have held and relevant dates. If more space is needed, please attach additional pages. <i>(see attachment)</i> | | |
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| DATE(S): | NAME: | RESPONSIBILITIES/EXPERIENCE: |
| <i>2020-2025</i> | <i>Volunteer Journalist</i> | <i>Provided free content to Bay Area News Group promoting clean vehicles</i> |
| <i>2009-2018</i> | <i>Gardening Club Director</i> | <i>Founded and Directed after-school Gardening Club at Glider Elem. School</i> |
| <i>2014-2018</i> | <i>Children's Choir Director</i> | <i>Founded and Directed after-school choral programs at Glider Elem. School</i> |
| <i>1981-1982</i> | <i>Peace Corps Volunteer</i> | <i>Taught mathematics to college students in Ghana, West Africa</i> |
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C. INTEREST AND AVAILABILITY

How did you hear about this committee opening?

- ☐
- District Website

- ☒ Director (please specify):

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- ☐ Committee Member (please specify):

- ☐
- Other (please specify):

Please describe your interest in serving on this committee: I hope to represent the interests of wildlife in a moderate, collaborative manner.

Please describe your relevant qualifications, such as specific skills, training, or knowledge that should be considered in applying for this committee: Graduate of Water 101 Academy, math skills through college calculus, graduated with honors from U.C. Santa Cruz

How would the community benefit by your participation on this committee? My input would seek to reconcile environmental goals with Valley Water's broader mission.

Are you available to attend committee meetings when scheduled? (please go to www.valleywater.org for committee meeting schedule details) ☒ Yes ☐ No If No, please describe:

If you have a disability, what accommodations would you need to serve on this committee?

D. EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

In case of emergency, contact:

1. Name:

Phone:

2. Name:

Phone:

I, HEREBY, ATTEST THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND MAY BE VERIFIED BY THE SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT. I UNDERSTAND THAT MISREPRESENTATION OR OMISSIONS MAY BE CAUSE FOR MY IMMEDIATE REJECTION AS AN APPLICANT OR TERMINATION FROM APPOINTMENT TO A COMMITTEE.

Dough Lee Peterson

Applicant Signature

9/18/25

Date Signed

Attachment to Doug Peterson's EWRC Application

Volunteer Experience

2020-2025 Volunteer Journalist

Over the span of five years, I authored a biweekly column for the Bay Area News Group called Green Rides that appeared in the Drive Section of the San Jose Mercury News and the East Bay Times. The articles featured promotional reviews of clean vehicles and current events surrounding vehicle emission regulations. I provided the content for free, which appeared under my pen name, Peter Douglas. During this time-period, I also provided a few full-length articles to the Electric Vehicle Association and submitted extensive comments to the Environmental Protection Agency and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in conjunction with their rulemaking processes.

2009-2018 Gardening Club Director

I spent the last years of my teaching career at Glider Elementary School, which had an enclosed gardening area that had gone untended for many years. I organized a small group of students and parents interested in renovating the garden, and over the years the Gardening Club grew dramatically, requiring two after-school meetings per week to accommodate all the participants. Glider's Rainbow Garden featured mostly ornamental plants and trees, and the program emphasized drought tolerant plants and the environmental benefits of organic fertilizers. I continued the popular program after I retired from teaching in 2014. The program ended when the school closed in 2018.

2014-2018 Children's Choir Director

I directed after-school choral programs at many of the elementary schools where I taught over the years, and I was Oak Grove School District's traveling vocal music teacher for two years. When I retired from teaching, I founded an after-school choral program at Glider Elementary School that initially served the youngest students and grew to include a more advanced group of older students. The choral program ended when the school closed in 2018.

1981-1982 Peace Corps Volunteer

I joined the Peace Corps after graduating from U.C. Santa Cruz and was assigned to teach mathematics in Ghana, West Africa. I mostly taught Algebra and Geometry to college students who were training to become teachers in Ghana's public school system.

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