

2025 Work Plan: Agricultural Water Advisory Committee

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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 2025.	January 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee Elects Chair and Vice Chair for 2025. (Action) 	Accomplished January 6, 2025 The Committee unanimously approved Peter Van Dyke to remain as the 2025 Agricultural Water Advisory Committee Chairperson and Trevor Garrod to remain as the 2025 Agricultural Water Advisory Committee Vice-Chairperson.
2	Annual Accomplishments Report.	January 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review and approve 2024 Accomplishments Report for presentation to the Board. (Action) Submit requests to the Board, as appropriate. 	Accomplished January 6, 2025 The Committee unanimously approved the 2024 Annual Accomplishments Report for presentation to the Board.
3	Review and Comment to the Board on the Fiscal Year 2025 – 2026 Preliminary Groundwater Production Charges.	January 6 April 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review and comment to the Board on the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Preliminary Groundwater Production Charges. (Action) Submit requests to the Board, as appropriate. 	Accomplished January 6, 2025 The Committee reviewed and commented on the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Preliminary Groundwater Production Charges and took the following action: The Committee unanimously approved to receive and accept staff's preliminary report for the FY 2025-2026 groundwater production charges with the amendment to continue the pursuit of water conservation programs, studying the impact of increased rates on agriculture and the potential of freezing agricultural rates.

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4	Receive Information and Provide Feedback on the Development of Valley Water's Water Supply Master Plan 2050.	April 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Receive Information and provide feedback on the development of Valley Water's Water Supply Master Plan 2050. 	
5	One Water Plan Upper Pajaro Watershed Plan Priority Actions.	January 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Receive information about development of the One Water Upper Pajaro Watershed Plan. • Review and provide input on One Water Upper Pajaro Watershed Plan Priority Actions 	Accomplished January 6, 2025 The Committee received and noted the information and took no formal action.
6	Receive an update of Valley Water's activities of the Unhoused and information on how enforcement of violations of companies are handled within the County.	TBD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Receive an update of Valley Water's activities of the Unhoused and information on how the enforcement of violations of companies are handled within the County. •Board is requesting the committee give more detailed information on this item for the Board's consideration. 	
7	Review Climate Change and the benefits of ecosystems on Agriculture in Santa Clara County.	April 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Discuss how climate change impacts the benefits of ecosystems on agriculture within Santa Clara County. 	
8	Discuss the Potential of Forming a Subcommittee.	January 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Discuss the potential of forming an AWAC subcommittee per the Committee's approval at the January 9, 2023 meeting. 	Accomplished January 6, 2025 The Committee received the information, took no formal action and noted the option of forming a subcommittee as needed.

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9	Receive Update on Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) Compliance.	October 6	•Receive update on SGMA compliance and Semitropic banking.	
10	Receive Update on Semitropic Groundwater Storage Bank.	October 6	•Receive update on Semitropic Groundwater Storage Bank.	
11	Standing Items Report Fiscal Year 2025 Goals and Strategies.	January 6 October 6	•Receive reports on standing items, FY2025. (Information)	
12	Federal and State Affairs Report	January 6 April 7 July 7 October 6	• Receive update.	
13	Review and Discuss Resolution 17-75 and the Agricultural Water Advisory Committee (AWAC) Membership.	January 6	•Review and discuss Reso. 17-75 and the AWAC Membership plan. (Action) •Submit requests to the Board, as appropriate.	Accomplished January 6, 2025 The Committee received the information, took no formal action and noted Chairperson Peter Van Dyke will continue working with the AWAC Committee Oversight Managers regarding a potential recommendation to the Board.
14	Review of Agricultural Water Advisory Committee Work Plan, the Outcomes of Board Action of Committee Requests, the Committee's Next Meeting Agenda.	January 6 April 7 July 7 October 6	•Receive and review the 2025 Board-approved Committee work plan. (Action) •Submit requests to the Board, as appropriate.	Accomplished January 6, 2025 The Committee unanimously approved to recommend the proposed 2025 AWAC Work Plan to the Board with the amendment to add the Semitropics Groundwater Storage Bank as a separate AWAC Work Plan topic.

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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 Encampment of Unsheltered People – Goal: Humanely assist in the permanent relocation of unsheltered people on Valley Water lands along waterways and at water supply and flood risk reduction facilities in order to address the human health, public safety, operational, and environmental challenges posed by encampments.			
6.	Climate Change – Goal: Mitigate carbon emissions and adapt Valley Water operations to climate change impacts.			
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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