



Update: Valley Water's membership in the San Luis-Delta Mendota Water Authority

Board Meeting
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Santa Clara Valley
Water District



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Purpose of SLDMWA

- Perform O&M of CVP facilities
- Provide support and representation on issues of common interest

Valley Water's Benefits of Membership

Strategic Plan Goals	Ways in Which Membership Currently Provides Value to Valley Water			Comments
	Low	Moderate	High	
1. Optimize Water Supply			√	Pooled multi-year transfer agreements have the advantage of scale (better leverage). Real time information sharing is useful.
2. Improve Governance and Policy Direction		√		Sometimes in support of Valley Water and sometimes in conflict with Valley Water's preferred direction
3. Authority Staff Resources Implement Goals and Priorities		√		Authority staff are competent and assist Valley Water in some areas. They raise some opportunities we would not otherwise have access to and provide channels to information we may otherwise not have known.
4. Effective Operations	√			DMC facilities well operated and maintained. We would pay for and receive conveyance even without membership.

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5. Increase Scientific and Technical Credibility and Influence	√			<p>Authority does not currently have science staff. Westlands and Valley Water do.</p> <p>Where shared objectives exist, coordination could be improved through Authority between two agencies and other members.</p>
6. Effective Communication and Engagement with Key Parties		√		<p>Current executives are competent and have credibility, extending value to Valley Water and improving based on new leadership</p>
7. Finances are Well Understood and Supported by the Board		√		<p>Grouping of some activities into mandatory categories, like "Leg. Ops," includes some things Valley Water would prefer not to pay for, but these are not overwhelming compared to other things that are clearly helpful.</p> <p>Litigation initiatives are generally helpful (efficiency of larger client base) and cost effective.</p>

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