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**APPLICATION FOR  
SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS - DISTRICT 1**

Please complete this application in its entirety and submit an original signed copy along with a letter of interest containing your name, residence address, occupation, summary of interest in the position, and any other relevant qualifications and experience, to the Office of the Clerk of the Board at 5750 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, California 95118, by **4:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 2, 2015.**

**A. CONTACT INFORMATION**

Name (First, Last): <b>Fernando Huerta Sr</b>			
Residence Address (Street Address, City, State, Zip): [REDACTED] <b>Morgan Hill, Ca 95037</b>			
Home Phone: [REDACTED]	Work Phone: [REDACTED]	Cell Phone: [REDACTED]	E-Mail: [REDACTED]

**B. QUALIFYING SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONS** *(Please use separate sheet of paper for answers.)*

1. Explain why you think you should be appointed to the District 1 Board of Directors seat.

After my Commission service under Mayor Roberta Hugan, I was sent a communication from the Water District asking me to apply and join the Board. Although I did not reply at that time, the Water District has been on my mind. I would like to serve now because I have an understanding of what you are all responsible for. Not only that, but the hard work it takes to make sure that we all enjoy clean and safe water for ourselves and the next generation coming behind us.

The understanding of City Government and Planning has given me the experience that has helped me conduct my business to the highest level possible. It has also helped me in my personal life as well. My wife and I have been Married forty nine years. We raised three kids, and now have eight Grand Children. I believe my interest in the Water District and my work experience up to this point in my life, has prepared me to take the next step to give back to our community

2. Describe the experience you have that will assist you with the responsibilities required of you while serving as a member of the Board of Directors.

I have been a member of the Santa Clara County Association of Realtors for thirty one years, not only that but also a member of the State Association of Realtors, National Association of Realtors, and the Local Association of Realtors. Also the Planning commission service, which took lots of reading that prepared me to understand and to serve well. This experience in multi tasking, will help me on the Board.

3. A. What are your detailed thoughts on the current SCVWD practice of using parcel (property) taxes for State Water Project costs versus having the water consumers pay for 100% of these costs?

B. If some of the costs are to be paid by property owners, should certain property owners who are not able to receive any water from the SCVWD despite asking for water, be required to pay the costs?

A. I think it's a great idea because, a certain percentage for water projects cost more than others. If the parcel owner has needed attention for his area, the taxes he pays may not be enough to repair the problem, this other way it all goes to the same pot and repair as you go.

B. No, because we are all in the same county, or district. The money collected should be enough to allow them the water. If that doesn't fix the problem, it must be taken up with the voters.

4. Agricultural water rates in both North and South County are heavily subsidized by water consumers and tax payers in Morgan Hill, Gilroy and others. Please explain your reasoning behind supporting the continuation of the rapidly expanding "open space credit" expense or reducing that expense so the SCVWD can use those funds for conservation, reduced water rates and other projects.

I support the open space credit, because we need to help the farmers in their need to stay competitive in the agricultural sector.

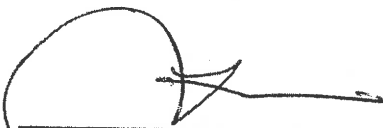
5. What do you think will be the most significant challenges that the District will be facing in the next few years? I can see, that the need for sharing the water tax will be an never ending problem.



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6. What three items would be your highest priority if you are appointed as a SCVWD District 1 Board Member?

1. Look for new ways, that haven't been thought of yet, to help the Water District with the rising costs of managing.
2. Study the OSA for now and for the future.
3. Help to keeping the water clean and healthy for all.



Applicant Signature

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Date Signed