



Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program

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February 13, 2019

To: Santa Clara Valley Water District Board of Directors

Subject: IMC Report in Review of SCW FY18 Annual Report

SUMMARY

The Independent Monitoring Committee (IMC) is pleased to present its annual review of the Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program (SCW) for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 (FY18) to the Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water) Board of Directors (Board). The IMC finds that funds from Measure B are being spent in accordance with the voter approved priorities and that Valley Water is acting responsibly to ensure projects move forward in a timely manner.

DISCUSSION

The IMC met on December 12, 2018, to begin its fifth annual SCW review process and elected a Chair and Vice Chair. Subcommittees were formed to review these five sections of the SCW report: Priorities A and C, Priority B, Priority D, Priority E and Other Projects remaining from Clean, Safe Creeks and Natural Flood Protection Plan (CSC).

Five subcommittees met with Valley Water staff (Staff) during the first half of January 2019 and presented their findings to the IMC as a whole on January 23, 2019. At each subcommittee meeting, a Chair was elected. IMC members agreed that subcommittee chairs led by the Chair of the IMC draft the IMC review to the Board.

The draft review was presented to the IMC on February 13, 2019, for final edits and approval. The IMC provided two levels of input; recommendations for Board review (Attachment 1) and notes for Staff for future SCW reports (Attachment 2).

TOURS AND PRESENTATIONS

Through presentations and tours, IMC members gain greater understanding of SCW projects. For the upcoming FY20, the IMC suggests the following:

Tour Sites

1. Project B4—Encampment Cleanup Project (Encampment Cleanup Site)

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2. Project D3—Grants and Partnerships to Restore Wildlife Habitat and Provide Access to Trails
3. Project E5—San Francisquito Creek Flood Protection Project (Upstream of Highway 101)
4. CSC—Permanente Creek Flood Protection Project (McKelvey Park)

Presentations

1. Projects C2 & E2—Emergency Response Upgrades and Planning
2. Project D6—Creek Restoration and Stabilization

We thank the Board for the support they have shown for our past recommendation, and we thank the staff for their support during the review process.

Sincerely,



Kit Gordon, Chair
Independent Monitoring Committee

Attachments:

1. IMC Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Annual Report
2. Notes for IMC Future SCW Reports

cc: Independent Monitoring Committee Members