

REQUEST TO SPEAK

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The Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society (SCVAS) strongly encourages Board members of Valley Water to approve staff recommendations to proceed with a formal Planning Study for the Calabazas and San Tomas Aquino Creek Realignment Project as well as the recommended preliminary budget and schedule from planning to design phases.

The realignment project aligns with the SCVAS mission of promoting the enjoyment, understanding and protection of birds and other wildlife, and a thorough planning study effort will lead to formulation of project alternatives that should maximize habitat and other important project benefits.

SCVAS has expressed support for the project applications for Measure AA and Prop 1 grants and looking forward to supporting this first creek-bay reconnection project in the lower South San Francisco Bay in the future.

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