



# Santa Clara Valley Water District

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## BOARD AGENDA MEMORANDUM

### **SUBJECT:**

Federal Authorization and Appropriation Requests for Federal Fiscal Years 2017 and 2018.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt the recommended Federal Fiscal Year 2017 and Fiscal Year 2018 authorization and appropriation requests for District-sponsored and District-supported projects.

### **SUMMARY:**

The White House is expected to submit President Trump's fiscal year 2018 budget plan to Congress the week of March 13, 2017. It will be a high-level overview. The President's FY 2018 project level recommendations to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) is expected in May 2017. The fiscal year 2017 workplan is expected to be released in mid-June, although it is dependent on Congress finalizing the fiscal year 2017 bills by April 28, 2017, the expiration date of the Continuing Resolution.

In order to influence the authorization and appropriations process, staff is requesting that the Board support a list of federally partnered flood protection and water utility project funding requests. The requests are shown on Attachment 1 and are coordinated with the District's federal and local partners to ensure that authorizations are obtained and the appropriations will fully fund the programs and projects.

Approval of this item will allow District Board members and staff traveling to Washington D.C. on April 29, 2017 through May 3, 2017, to influence both the 2017 USACE workplan as well as the budget process by requesting workplan and Fiscal Year 2018 funding needs which includes establishing a position on anticipated appropriation bills.

During this trip, Board members and staff plan to meet, based on availability, with Congressional representatives and staff, House and Senate committee staff, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; Office of Management and Budget; Department of the Interior's Natural Resource Investment Center, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Water & Science, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation; U.S. Department of the Treasury and other agencies and congressional committees.

During these meetings, the District's authorization and appropriation requests and other issues will be discussed with the goal of having the District's interests represented in the President's budget, USACE work plans and policies that Congress undertakes.

In fall 2017, prior to the fall trip to Washington D.C., staff will bring an updated list of authorization and appropriation requests for Fiscal Year 2019 for the Board's endorsement.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

None.

**CEQA:**

The recommended action does not constitute a project under CEQA because it does not have a potential for resulting in direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment 1: Authorization/Appropriation Requests

\*Supplemental Agenda Memo

\*Supplemental Attachment 1: Revised Authorization/Appropriation Requests

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