



Santa Clara Valley Water District

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BOARD AGENDA MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT:

Federal Authorization and Appropriation Requests for Federal Fiscal Years 2018 and 2019.

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt the recommended Federal Fiscal Year 2018 and Fiscal Year 2019 authorization and appropriation requests for District-sponsored and District-supported projects.

SUMMARY:

The White House submitted President Trump's Fiscal Year 2019 budget plan to Congress on February 12, 2018 which will now prompt Congress to put together the actual appropriations bills which can help the District fund its Fiscal Year 2019 funding needs. As for the Fiscal Year 2018 work plan funding, it is anticipated that Congress will finalize the appropriation bills by March 23, 2018 and that the Fiscal Year 2018 work plans are expected to be released in mid-April of this year.

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. The District has coordinated with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and other agencies to ensure that our requests for authorizations and appropriations match the funding capability of the listed projects and programs.

Approval of this item will allow the District to meet the March 16th deadline that Congressional leadership has for submitting authorizations and appropriations requests. Approval of this item will also assist District Board members and staff traveling to Washington D.C. from April 23 - 25, 2018, to influence both the 2018 U.S. USACE work plan as well as the budget process by requesting Fiscal Year 2019 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, the President's Council on Environmental Quality, and other agencies and congressional committees to advocate for the District's projects. 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 Congressional appropriations, USACE work

plans, and policies that Congress and the Administration undertake.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Endorsing the recommended position on appropriation requests does not result in a direct financial impact to the District.

CEQA:

The recommended action is not subject to the requirements of CEQA.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1: Authorization/Appropriation Requests

*Handout 7.2-A: Revised Authorization/Appropriation Requests

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