



Santa Clara Valley Water District

File No.: 18-0664

Agenda Date: 9/11/2018

Item No.: 3.1.

BOARD AGENDA MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT:

Resolution Proclaiming September 2018 as National Preparedness Month.

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt the Resolution NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH, SEPTEMBER 2018.

SUMMARY:

Every year the President of the United States issues a proclamation declaring September as National Preparedness Month. Several state and local governments including the Santa Clara Valley Water District follow suit with proclamations or resolutions that further raise awareness, urging individuals, businesses, schools, and community-based organizations to take steps toward personal preparedness to increase their ability to survive a disaster and reduce economic devastation following a major crisis.

National Preparedness Month provides an opportunity to remind us that we all must prepare ourselves and our families now and throughout the year. This year's National Preparedness Month campaign will focus on planning, with an overarching theme of "Disasters Happen. Prepare Now. Learn How." National Preparedness Month 2018 will be comprised of the following 4 weekly themes.

Week 1: September 1-8 Make and Practice Your Plan

Week 2: September 9-15 Learn Life Saving Skills

Week 3: September 16-22 Check Your Insurance Coverage

Week 4: September 25-29 Save For an Emergency

The devastating hurricanes, floods and wildfires of 2017-2018 remind us and the Nation of the importance of preparing for disasters. It takes a team effort to ensure that we are ready for any disaster. We are asking our employees and the public including individuals, businesses, local

governments, and other organizations to improve their emergency and disaster preparedness by taking time to visit the Ready websites at ready.gov/prepare; download the ReadySCC app; sign up for notifications at AlertSCC.com; learn lifesaving skills - such as CPR and first aid; and check your insurance policies and coverage for the hazards you may face, such as earthquake, flood and fire. Also, know how to take practical safety steps like shutting off water and gas. These activities, along with a vigilant public, contribute to an overall level of preparedness that is critical to the safety of our community.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no financial impact associated with this action.

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: Resolution

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