



Santa Clara Valley Water District

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Agenda Date: 6/22/2021

Item No.: 4.2.

BOARD AGENDA MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT:

Consider the May 3, 2021, Board Policy and Planning Committee Recommendations Regarding Revisions to Board Governance Ends Policy E-2: Water Supply.

RECOMMENDATION:

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SUMMARY:

Santa Clara Valley Water District's (Valley Water) Board Governance Ends Policy 2 (E-2), Water Supply, was first adopted in 2005 and subsequently revised and adopted in 2012. To ensure the E-2 closely reflects Valley Water's current and emerging water resources management, the Board Policy and Planning Committee (BPPC) directed staff to review and revise the E-2, with the following specific directions:

- Connect the policy with Valley Water's Water Supply Master Plan
- Reflect and incorporate strategies listed in all current master plans
- Reflects environmental and other beneficial, equitable, and affordable uses of water
- Not make goals too long and too detailed

Following these directions, staff developed six policy goals to achieve the End - **providing a reliable, safe, and affordable water supply for current and future generations in all communities served**. The proposed goals include meeting Valley Water's Level of Service goal, protecting existing water supplies, maintaining water infrastructure, increasing regional self-reliance, using an integrated approach for water resources management, and promoting equitability and affordability. Except for the first goal (2.1), each goal is supported by several actionable objectives (Attachment 1).

The proposed draft E-2 policy was developed through close collaboration of multiple units across the agency. The draft policy aims to reflect the BPPC direction to ensure that the E-2 policy is consistent with the Water Supply Master Plan and serves as a high-level framework for Valley Water's water resources management. The draft E-2 was presented at the May BPPC meeting. The Committee by a roll call vote unanimously recommended bringing the draft E-2 to the full Board for consideration.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no financial impact associated with this item.

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: Draft Ends Policy E-2

Attachment 2: PowerPoint

UNCLASSIFIED MANAGER:

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