Santa Clara Valley Water District



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BOARD AGENDA MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT:

Adopt a Resolution Proclaiming September 2022 as National Preparedness Month.

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt the Resolution NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH, SEPTEMBER 2022.

SUMMARY:

Since 2004, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has sponsored National Preparedness Month each September. Several state and local governments including the Santa Clara Valley Water District demonstrate support with proclamations or resolutions to promote family and community disaster planning now and throughout the year.

The County, State, Nation, and World continue to experience the COVID-19 pandemic and the prevalence of major disasters has increased. With the on-going drought and multiple large-scale fires across the State of California, and the ongoing potential of a major earthquake occurring in the San Francisco Bay Region, there's no better time than September to be involved in emergency preparedness.

This year's National Preparedness Month theme is "A Lasting Legacy - The life you've built is worth protecting. Prepare for disasters to create a lasting legacy for you and your family." Each week in September the campaign will focus on a different aspect of preparedness for individuals, families, and communities. With that, weekly preparedness messages from FEMA will be shared with staff.

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 the following actions:

- Visit the Ready websites as ready.gov
- Sign up for notifications at AlertSCC.com
- Learn lifesaving skills such as CPR and first aid

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 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.

ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE IMPACT:

There are no Environmental Justice impacts associated with this item.

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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