

CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

2700 Foothill Boulevard
La Crescenta, California

Agenda for the
Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
of the Crescenta Valley Water District

to be *held* on Tuesday, January 27, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.

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(669) 900-6833

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Call to Order and Determination of Quorum

Pledge of Allegiance

Adoption of Agenda

Public Comments

At this time, the public shall have an opportunity to comment on any agenda or non-agenda item relevant to the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. This opportunity is non-transferable, and speakers are limited to one three-minute (3) comment. Under the provisions of the Brown Act, the Board is prohibited from taking action on items not listed on the agenda, except under certain circumstances.

Foothill Municipal Water District Report

1. Report on activities at Foothill Municipal Water District.

Consent Calendar

1. Consideration and approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on January 13, 2026.
2. Ratification of Disbursements for December 2025.
3. Ratification of Board Compensation for December 2025.
4. 2025 Board of Directors Meetings and Compensation Report.

Action Calendar

1. **Q2 Budget Update** – Report on the District’s FY 2025-26 budget as of the conclusion of the second quarter, December 31, 2025.
2. **Legislative Advocacy Update – Discussion of Budget Request Letters** – Discussion regarding budget request letters.
3. **Code of Conduct Policy for the Board of Directors** – Consideration and adoption of a Code of Conduct by and for the Board of Directors.

Information Items

Written Communications to District/Board of Directors

General Manager’s Report

Attorney Report

Reports of Committees

- Community Relations & Emergency Planning Committee
- Employee Relations Committee
- Engineering, Operations, & Technology Committee
- Executive Committee
- Finance & Policy Committee
- Ad Hoc Committee – PFAS
- Ad Hoc Committee – Cyber Security
- Ad Hoc Committee – Consolidation

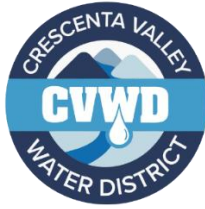
Directors' Oral Reports – Reports on issues, meetings, or activities attended by Directors

Members' Request for Future Agenda Items

Closed Session

1. Conference with Labor Negotiator pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
Agency Negotiator: General Manager
Employee Organization: Crescenta Valley Water District Employee Assoc
2. Conference with Legal Counsel pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)
Existing Litigation – City of La Canada Flintridge v. Crescenta Valley Water District,
Los Angeles Superior Court, Case No. 25STCP05050

Adjournment



MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

January 13, 2026

Pursuant to the order of the Board of Directors of the Crescenta Valley Water District, a Regular Meeting was held on January 13, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at the District office located at 2700 Foothill Blvd., La Crescenta, California, and through audio and video conferencing. A call-in number was clearly noted on the meeting Agenda, posted in accordance with the Brown Act, with James D. Bodnar presiding.

At roll call, the following Directors and staff members were present or online:

Directors:

**Jeffery W. Johnson
James D. Bodnar
Kerry D. Erickson
Sharon S. Raghavachary (absent)
Jennifer T. Valdez**

Attorney:

Ryan Guiboa

General Manager:

James Lee (remote participation)

**Director of Engineering
and Operations:**

Carla Dillon

**Director of Finance and
Administration:**

Arturo Montes

Staff Members:

**Elena Chamorro, Asst. Director of Finance & Admin.
Gabriel Gomez III, Assistant Director of Operations
Christina Kopelman, CIP Project Manager
Pam Leddy, Administrative Assistant
Adam Sutphin, Senior Management Analyst
Darlene Telles, Risk & Resilience Manager**

Guests:

**Frank Colcord, Foothill Municipal Water District
Orlando Torres, Singer Lewak, LLP**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Erickson opened the meeting by leading the Directors and staff in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

It was moved by Director Johnson, seconded by Director Erickson, and carried by a 4-0 vote that the Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting of January 13, 2026, be adopted.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

FOOTHILL MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT REPORT – Mr. Colcord announced the retirement of Mr. Atwater from his position on the FMWD Board at the end of February 2026. Mr. Colcord said that at the January 20, 2026 meeting a vote will be held on whether to conduct a special election or the appointment of a Director to fill this vacancy.

CONSENT CALENDAR – **It was moved by Director Johnson, seconded by Director Erickson, and carried by a 4-0 vote to approve the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting held on December 16, 2025.**

Board Agenda Format – Director Bodnar proposed that all public comments for any agenda or non-agenda item of interest, be heard at the beginning of each Board meeting. Mr. Bodnar suggested that time limit for individual speakers be set at three (3) minutes in order to allow every member of the public who wishes to speak to do so within the total time allotted for public comments.

Following discussion:

It was moved by Director Bodnar, seconded by Director Johnson, and carried by a 4-0 vote to adopt an agenda format in which any agenda or non-agenda related item of interest by the public be heard at the beginning of each Board meeting with a time limit of three (3) minutes.

Board Committee Assignments for 2026 – Director Bodnar named the following Board Committee assignments effective January 13, 2026 with no objections:

COMMUNITY RELATIONS & EMERGENCY PLANNING

Jennifer Valdez (*Chairperson*)

Sharon Raghavachary

Alternate: James Bodnar

EMPLOYEE RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Sharon Raghavachary (*Chairperson*)

James Bodnar

Alternate: Kerry Erickson

ENGINEERING, OPERATIONS & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

Kerry Erickson (*Chairperson*)

James Bodnar

Alternate: Jennifer Valdez

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

James Bodnar (*Chairperson*)
Jennifer Valdez

FINANCE & POLICY COMMITTEE

Jeffery Johnson (*Chairperson*)
Kerry Erickson
Alternate: Sharon Raghavachary

Director Bodnar clarified that Director Johnson and Director Raghavachary will continue serving the Ad Hoc PFAS Committee, and that Director Raghavachary and Director Bodnar will continue serving the Ad Hoc Cybersecurity Committee and Ad Hoc Consolidation Committee.

Presentation of the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report – Mr. Montes introduced Mr. Orlando Torres of Singer Lewak, LLP, the District’s auditor for 2025. Mr. Montes provided a presentation of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report and Governance Letter for Fiscal Year 2024-25. Mr. Torres stated that a “unmodified opinion” was received from Singer Lewak, LLP for the audit of the basic financial statements. Mr. Torres noted that the District should be anticipating a Certificate of Achievement from the Government Finance Officer Association (GFOA) by completing all basic and supplemental financial information.

Following discussion:

It was moved by Director Valdez, seconded by Director Erickson and carried by a 4-0 vote to accept the Audited Financial Statements for Fiscal Year 2024-25.

Water Loss Audit – Ms. Lumley provided a summary of the District’s 2024 annual water loss audit required by California Senate Bill 555 using the American Water Works Association Water Loss Control Committee Free Water Audit Software. Ms. Dillon stated that for the calendar year 2024, the metrics indicate the CVWD’s system is performing efficiently.

INFORMATION ITEMS – Outlook Newspapers – dated December 18, ,2025 “Crescenta Valley Water District Work Opens River of Complaints”, and January 21, 2026 Community Office Hours invitation.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATION – None.

Public Comment – None.

GENERAL MANAGER – Mr. Sutphin provided highlights of the December 2025 Finance & Administration Dashboard. Ms. Dillon presented the December 2025 Engineering and Operations Report, and PFAS updates. Mr. Gomez provided highlights of the December 2025 Operation and Maintenance dashboard, and Ms. Telles provided highlights of the Wastewater portion of the dashboard. Mr. Lee shared that Jay Parks has been selected as the Employee Spotlight. Mr. Lee stated that the District is nearing 1 year (365 days) without a lost time incident. Mr. Lee announced that CVWD will be celebrating its 75th anniversary with the community on April 25, 2026 at the Annual Hometown Fair.

ATTORNEY REPORT – Mr. Guiboa provided highlights of State Senate Bill 707, which introduces updates to California’s Ralph M. Brown Act’s teleconferencing requirements.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Community Relations & Emergency Planning Committee – Director Erickson reported that the Committee had not met; however, a meeting will be scheduled as needed.

Employee Relations Committee – Director Bodnar reported that the Committee had not met; however, a meeting will be scheduled as needed.

Engineering, Operations & Technology Committee – Director Valdez reported that the Committee had not met. A meeting is scheduled for January 14, 2026.

Executive Committee – Director Johnson reported that the Committee had not met; however, a meeting will be scheduled as needed.

Finance & Policy Committee – Director Raghavachary reported that the Committee met on December 18, 2025. A meeting is scheduled for January 15, 2026.

Ad Hoc PFAS Committee – Director Johnson reported that the Committee had not met; however, a meeting is scheduled for January 29, 2026.

Ad Hoc Cyber Security Committee – Director Raghavachary reported that the Committee had not met; however, a meeting will be scheduled as needed.

Ad Hoc Consolidation Committee – Director Johnson reported that the Committee had not met; however, a meeting will be scheduled as needed.

DIRECTORS’ ORAL REPORTS

Director Bodnar – Reported that he completed the Ethics Training requirement course on January 8, 2026 and filed his CA Form 700 on January 9, 2026.

Director Erickson – No report.

Director Johnson – No report

Director Raghavachary – No report

Director Valdez – No report

BOARD MEMBERS REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – None.

CLOSED SESSION – No reportable action.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the Board, at 8:44 p.m., the meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED

James D. Bodnar
Board President

Arturo Montes
Board Secretary

Unapproved Minutes



CASH DISBURSEMENT LIST

December 2025

<u>Check #</u>	<u>Check Date</u>	<u>Payable To</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Water Amount</u>	<u>Wasterwater Amount</u>
0		VSP	Vision Services for Dec 2025	\$ 255.00	\$ 85.00
0		Los Angeles County Public Works	Excavation Permits for Dec 2025	\$ 3,813.00	
0		Emins Air Conditioning	Air Conditioning/Heater Services for Dec 2025	\$ 1,100.00	
0		AFLAC	Employee Paid Insurance for Dec 2025	\$ 252.25	\$ 84.08
0		Univar Solutions USA Inc	1702 Gal Sodium Hypochlorite - Chlorine	\$ 11,075.48	
0		Wells Fargo Bank	Monthly Bank Fees for Nov 2025	\$ 387.06	\$ 129.02
0		CalPERs	CalPERs Pension Contribution for Nov 2025	\$ 36,092.84	\$ 12,030.95
0		Shell Oil	Purchased Gas for Nov 2025	\$ 2,326.36	\$ 775.45
0		Southern California Edison	Purchased Power for Oct 2025	\$ 39,950.24	\$ 789.33
BMO - Employee Credit Cards					
0		<i>Dillon, Carla</i>	Conference Hotel	\$ 422.61	\$ 140.87
0		<i>DuRose, Morgen</i>	Work Team Lunch	\$ 73.46	\$ 24.48
0		<i>Gomez, Gabriel</i>	Base, Vehicle Maintenance, Work Lunch	\$ 1,821.80	\$ 607.26
0		<i>Leddy, Pam</i>	Business Cards, Postage, Office Supplies, All-Hands Birthday Celebration	\$ 1,219.09	\$ 406.36
0		<i>Lee, James</i>	Wrok/Meeting Meals, Conference Hotel, Online Work Application	\$ 915.39	\$ 305.13
0		<i>Montes, Arturo</i>	Office Supplies, Coaching, All-Hands Breakfast, Board Meeting Dinner	\$ 4,165.58	\$ 1,388.53
0		<i>Mortenson, Siaki</i>	Vehicle Maintenance	\$ 544.39	\$ 181.46
0		<i>Sargsyan, Armine</i>	Return Item	\$ (195.45)	\$ (65.15)
0		<i>Telles, Darlene</i>	Base, Office Supplies, Certificate Renewals	\$ 9,744.43	\$ 3,248.14
CVWD Accounts Payable					
0		Constant Contact	Customer Notification for Dec 2025	\$ 262.50	\$ 87.50
0		United Concordia	Dental Coverage for Nov and Dec 2025	\$ 4,643.15	\$ 1,547.72
0		Glendale Water and Power	Purchased Power for Nov 2025	\$ 72,887.69	
0		Backgrounds Online	Background Check for New Hire	\$ 22.88	\$ 7.63
0		Corola.org	Leadership Training for Dec 2025	\$ 5,625.00	\$ 1,875.00
0		Eddie the Media Trainer	Coaching Consultant for Dec 2025	\$ 1,233.75	\$ 411.25
0		Best Best and Krieger	Legal Services For Nov 2025	\$ 43,155.66	\$ 14,385.22
0		Cintas	Uniform Services for Nov 2025	\$ 3,090.77	\$ 1,030.26
0		Trench Shoring	Shoring Services for Emergency Job	\$ 14,439.20	\$ 4,813.07

0		Athens Services	Trash Services For Dec 2025	\$	482.93	\$	160.98
0		Office Depot	Office Supplies for New Hire	\$	216.08	\$	72.03
0		SoCal Pacific Electrical & Lighting Inc	Installation of Toshiba VFAS3 and Nema 4R Enclosure Box	\$	9,132.00	\$	3,044.00
0		GoTo Phone System	Phone System for Dec 2025	\$	918.22	\$	306.07
0		Glendale Permits	Excavation Permits	\$	2,213.24	\$	737.75
0		Spectrum	Wireless Communication for Dec 2025	\$	1,729.50	\$	576.50
0		Wood Ranch	Work Event Lunch	\$	797.79	\$	265.93
0		Ralphs	Gift Cards for Work Event	\$	97.86	\$	32.62
0		Clark Pest Control	Pest Control Services for Various Locations Dec 2025	\$	108.00	\$	36.00
0		Dig Alert	USA Digging Services for Dec 2025	\$	503.27	\$	167.76
0		Rapid Fire	Fire Safety Services	\$	180.77	\$	60.26
0		ACE Hardware	Tools and Equipment	\$	902.00	\$	300.67
0		AT&T	Wireless Communication for Dec 2025	\$	1,465.47	\$	488.49
0		Zoom.com	Online Telecommunication Services for Dec 2025	\$	50.93	\$	16.98
0		Bill.com	AP Portal for Dec 2025	\$	28.75	\$	9.58
49852	12/1/2025	Khatchik Safarian	Refund For Incorrectly Billed Account With Abandoned Meter	\$	702.14	\$	809.87
49853	12/1/2025	Novotx, LLC	CMMS Annual Agreement	\$	56,450.00		
49854	12/2/2025	Cintas	First Aid Shelf/Cabinet	\$	454.11	\$	151.37
49855	12/2/2025	American Reclamation Inc.	Trash Services For Nov 2025	\$	168.81	\$	56.27
49856	12/2/2025	Arc Document Solutions LLC	Color Bond Plot	\$	93.02	\$	31.00
49857	12/2/2025	AT&T	Wireless Communication For Nov 2025	\$	393.72	\$	131.24
49858	12/2/2025	CCS Interactive, Inc.	Website Hosting For Nov 2025	\$	127.50	\$	42.50
49859	12/2/2025	Citibank	Costco - Office And Plant Supplies	\$	1,032.70	\$	344.23
49860	12/2/2025	Clark Pest Control, Inc.	Pest Control For Various Sites For Nov 2025	\$	427.50	\$	142.50
49861	12/2/2025	Core & Main	Angle Stop/Corp Stop/Brass Adapters	\$	61,451.21		
49862	12/2/2025	D&H Water Systems	Spare Parts Kit/ Diaphragm/	\$	455.10		
49863	12/2/2025	DIY Home Center	1" Adapter/ Bolts/ Washers/ Misc Hardware	\$	152.79	\$	50.93
49864	12/2/2025	Emergency Rooter Svcs, Inc.	Mills House Repipe	\$	7,050.00	\$	2,350.00
49865	12/2/2025	Fully Promoted	Uniform Embroidery	\$	68.72	\$	22.90
49866	12/2/2025	Grainger	Coupling Brass And High Visibility Vest	\$	236.82	\$	78.94
49867	12/2/2025	Great America Leasing Corp.	Copier Lease For 11/20/25-12/19/25	\$	6,381.48	\$	2,127.16
49868	12/2/2025	Highroad Information Technology	Professional Services For Nov 2025	\$	18,428.25	\$	6,142.75
49869	12/2/2025	John Robinson Consulting, Inc.	Consulting Services For Nov 2025	\$	1,222.50		
49870	12/2/2025	LA Dept Water And Power	Electric Charges 10/13/25-11/12/25	\$	75.23	\$	25.07
49871	12/2/2025	Occupational Health Centers Of The Southwest, P.A.	New Hire Physical	\$	428.00		
49872	12/2/2025	O'reilly Auto Parts	Unit 63 Battery, Hepa Filter, Wiper Blades	\$	784.23	\$	90.01
49873	12/2/2025	Public Water Agencies Group	Monthly Assessment For Emergency Preparedness Program For Nov 2025	\$	989.22	\$	329.74
49874	12/2/2025	Skyio	Services Through 11/1/25	\$	14,466.72		
49875	12/2/2025	So Cal Compton Pipe Supply Co., Inc.	Ford Meter Corp Mip/Fip	\$	218.82		
49876	12/2/2025	Stemar Equipment & Supply Co.	Shovels	\$	151.77	\$	50.59
49877	12/2/2025	T-Mobile	Wireless Communication For Oct 2025	\$	108.26	\$	36.09

49878	12/2/2025	Vertexone Software LLC	Professional Services For Nov 2025	\$	46.28	\$	15.43
49879	12/2/2025	W.A. Rasic	Emergency Repair @ 3206 Honolulu/Pennsylvania 8" Pumpline	\$	14,168.73		
49880	12/2/2025	Western Water Works	Flex Couplings, 1" Air Vac Screens, Fire Hydrant Breakaway Bolts	\$	6,012.22		
49881	12/2/2025	Western Water Works	Slip-On Weld Flange, Bolts, Ring Gaskets, 14" Butterfly Valves	\$	5,864.60		
49882	12/3/2025	AALRR	Legal Services For Nov 2025	\$	8,947.20	\$	2,982.39
49883	12/3/2025	Southland Pipe Corp.	Pipe For E-1054 (Foothill And Cloud Prs)	\$	309,123.76		
49884	12/3/2025	SWRCB	Anual Permit Fee 7/1/25-6/30/26	\$	4,826.00		
49885	VOID	VOID	VOID		VOID		VOID
49886	12/4/2025	Cash-Petty Cash	Petty Cash 12/25	\$	319.96	\$	106.65
49887	12/9/2025	ADS, LLC	Professional Services For Nov 2025			\$	2,561.90
49888	12/9/2025	Airgas Usa, LLC	Jackets, Overalls, Welding Supplies	\$	1,913.77	\$	637.93
49889	12/9/2025	Anawalt Lumber & Materials Co.	Lumbar For I-1096	\$	99.80		
49890	12/9/2025	Aqua - Metric Sales, Co.	3/4" And 1" Meters	\$	76,902.20		
49891	12/9/2025	AT&T	Wireless Communication For Nov 2025	\$	1,712.11	\$	570.70
49892	12/9/2025	BSK Associates	Water Sampling For Nov 2025	\$	18,737.14		
49893	12/9/2025	Atlas Janitorial Agency	Cleaning Services Nov 2025	\$	646.50	\$	215.50
49894	12/9/2025	CCS Interactive, Inc.	Website Hosting For Dec 2025	\$	127.50	\$	42.50
49895	12/9/2025	Charlie's Mobile Tools	Unit 68 Maintenance	\$	112.50	\$	37.50
49896	12/9/2025	Citibank	Costco - Office And Plant Supplies Oct 2025	\$	1,683.77	\$	561.25
49897	12/9/2025	City Of Glendale	Well 16 Invoice For Oct 2025	\$	14,788.25		
49898	12/9/2025	Clark Pest Control, Inc.	Finance Charge	\$	3.75	\$	1.25
49899	12/9/2025	Dion & Sons, Inc.	Diesel Fuel	\$	2,110.34	\$	703.45
49900	12/9/2025	DIY Home Center	Washers /Hillman Hardware Misc	\$	147.95	\$	49.32
49901	12/9/2025	DIY Home Center	Drywall, Drywall Supplies	\$	1,047.26	\$	349.08
49902	12/9/2025	DIY Home Center	Propane Fuel Gallon	\$	57.18	\$	19.06
49903	12/9/2025	Foothill Municipal Water	Purchased Water For Oct 2025	\$	311,505.14		
49904	12/9/2025	Grainger	Duct Tape, Batteries, Maxiflex Gloves, Diamond Saw Blades	\$	1,432.51	\$	477.50
49905	12/9/2025	Great America Leasing Corp.	Copier Lease For 10/20/25-11/19/25	\$	3,175.08	\$	1,058.36
49906	12/9/2025	Highroad Information Technology	IT Services For Dec 2025	\$	20,827.08	\$	6,942.36
49907	12/9/2025	Infosend, Inc.	Postage For Billing For Nov 2025	\$	7,173.02	\$	2,391.01
49908	VOID	VOID	VOID		VOID		VOID
49909	12/9/2025	Agile Occupational Medicine, PC	New Hire Physical	\$	1,770.00	\$	590.00
49910	12/9/2025	O'reilly Auto Parts	Semi Met Pad	\$	36.71	\$	12.24
49911	12/9/2025	Paper Cuts, Inc.	Nov/Dec Storage	\$	76.88	\$	25.62
49912	12/9/2025	Paveco Construction Inc.	Paving For New York And Foothill	\$	937.50	\$	312.50
49913	12/9/2025	Quadient Finance Usa, Inc.	Postage	\$	40.74	\$	13.58
49914	12/9/2025	Quadient Leasing Usa, Inc.	Postage	\$	317.51	\$	105.84
49915	12/9/2025	SWRCB	Water System Annual Fees 7/1/25-6/30/25	\$	50,083.92		
49916	12/9/2025	United Rentals	Skdsteer/Roller/Skd Steerloader/Skd Steer P/Up Broom Dump Bucket	\$	2,299.49	\$	719.36
49917	12/9/2025	Univar Solutions Usa Inc.	Chemicals For Dec 2025	\$	3,582.23		
49918	12/9/2025	Vertexone Software LLC	Professional Services For Dec 2025	\$	66.55	\$	22.17
49919	VOID	VOID	VOID		VOID		VOID

49920	12/9/2025	SWRCB-DWOCP	D1 Cert Request	\$	52.50	\$	17.50
49921	12/10/2025	City Of Los Angeles La Sanitation, Fmd	Wastewater Services July/Sep/Nov 2025			\$	651,340.23
49922	12/17/2025	Applied Technology Group, Inc.	Radios Monthe Fee Dec 2025	\$	22.50	\$	7.50
49923	12/17/2025	Atlas Janitorial Agency	Cleaning Service 12/25	\$	646.50	\$	215.50
49924	12/17/2025	Charter Communications	Wireless 11/23/25-12/22/25	\$	193.13	\$	64.37
49925	12/17/2025	Chawkins Communications Consulting, Inc.	Professional Consulting Nov 2025	\$	1,470.00	\$	490.00
49926	12/17/2025	City Of Glendale	Water usage Rockhaven Well 16 Novemer 2025	\$	15,022.61		
49927	12/17/2025	Crescenta Valley Publishing LLC	1/2 Page Ad In Cv Weekly On 10/16/25, 10/23/25.	\$	2,200.00		
49928	12/17/2025	Flo Analytics	Cmms Technical Guidance Advisory	\$	850.31	\$	283.44
49929	12/17/2025	GF Advocacy, LLC	Advocacy Series	\$	2,250.00	\$	750.00
49930	12/17/2025	Harper & Associates Eng, Inc	Drained Eval And Report For Cresta Heights #2 6/20/25	\$	2,050.00		
49931	12/17/2025	Lagerlof, LLP	Legal Services For Nov 2025	\$	89.81	\$	29.93
49932	12/17/2025	Paveco Construction Inc	Paving For Humphrey Way&Whittier Dr	\$	187,159.10		
49933	12/17/2025	So Cal Compton Pipe Supply Co., Inc.	Meter Coup Fip/Pepe16-44-U-NI 1'	\$	4,178.53		
49934	12/17/2025	United Rentals	Skd Steer/Roller/Skt Steer Loder/Skd Str P/U W/Dumpbucket	\$	9,044.51		
49935	12/17/2025	Western Water Works	12 Tee Cmlc X Cmc And Flanges	\$	2,179.43		
49936	12/18/2025	Austin Baggett	Refund For Payment Sent By Mistake			\$	889.52
49937	12/18/2025	DM AI Agency	Update Bill Processor App	\$	1,293.75	\$	431.25
49938	12/18/2025	Gabe Gomez	Limited Reimbursement For Dental/Vision And Healthcare	\$	1,062.24		
49939	12/18/2025	Vanessa Lumley	Travel Reimbursements For Nov And Dec 2025	\$	2,270.42	\$	756.80
49940	12/18/2025	American Reclamation Inc	Trash Services For Dec 2025	\$	337.62	\$	112.54
49941	12/18/2025	ARC Document Solutions LLC	Color Bond Plot	\$	89.93	\$	29.97
49942	12/18/2025	Clark Pest Control, Inc.	Pest Services For Various Sites Dec 2025	\$	301.50	\$	100.50
49943	12/18/2025	Great America Leasing Corp.	Lease Copier Services For 12/20/25-1/19/25	\$	6,378.00	\$	2,126.00
49944	12/18/2025	Infosend, Inc.	Postage For Billing Dec 2025	\$	4,806.29	\$	1,602.09
49945	12/18/2025	LA County Tax Collector	Property Taxes	\$	17,611.83	\$	5,870.60
49946	12/18/2025	Public Water Agencies Group	Monthly Assessment For Emerg Preparedness Program	\$	989.22	\$	329.74
49947	12/18/2025	T-Mobile	Wireless Communication For 10/30/25-11/29/25	\$	269.45	\$	89.82
49948	12/18/2025	Charter Communications	Service From 10/23/25-11/22/25	\$	91.73	\$	30.57
49949	12/18/2025	James Bodnar	Conference Reimbursement	\$	1,757.22		
49950	12/18/2025	Sharon Raghavachary	Conference Reimbursement	\$	1,115.73		
49951	12/22/2025	So Cal Pacific Electrical & Lighting	VFD Installation Deposit	\$	52,733.10		

Subtoals

\$ 1,641,909.62 \$ 750,669.62

Total Disbursements for December 2025

\$ 2,392,579.24

Payroll Report

Directors	3,625.00
Office Regular Payroll	183,471.62
Office OT	3,147.46
Plant Regular Payroll	129,979.15
Plant OT	13,169.59
Plant Standby	8,967.19
Employer Payroll Taxes	21,664.79
Payroll Service Charges	531.20
Total Payroll for December 2025	<u>\$364,556.00</u>

Director Compensation Report

Dec-25



<u>Name</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Meeting/Event</u> *
Director Bodnar	12/1/2025	ACWA
	12/2/2025	ACWA
	12/3/2025	ACWA
	12/4/2025	ACWA
	12/6/2025	Montrose Christmas Parade
	12/8/2025	Foothill Consolidation Committee
	12/9/2025	CISA Meeting
	12/9/2025	Board Meeting**
	12/10/2025	Eng. & Ops. Committee
	12/16/2025	Board Meeting
	12/18/2025	Fin. & Pol. Committee
Director Erickson	12/9/2025	Board Meeting
	12/10/2025	Eng. & Ops. Committee
	12/16/2025	Board Meeting
Director Johnson	12/9/2025	Board Meeting
	12/16/2025	Board Meeting
Director Raghavachary	12/2/2025	ACWA
	12/3/2025	ACWA
	12/4/2025	ACWA
	12/8/2025	Foothill Consolidation Committee
	12/9/2025	Board Meeting
	12/10/2025	Eng. & Ops. Committee
	12/16/2025	Board Meeting
	12/18/2025	Fin. & Pol. Committee
	12/29/2025	CISA Kick-Off
Director Valdez	12/6/2025	Montrose Christmas Parade
	12/9/2025	Board Meeting
	12/10/2025	Eng. & Ops. Committee
	12/16/2025	Board Meeting
	12/18/2025	Fin. & Pol. Committee

* Compensation of \$125 per meeting

**Compensated meeting are limited to 1 per day and 10 per month

2025 Board of Directors Meetings and Compensation

Board Member	Title	Total Meetings Paid*	Annual Compensation
Jeffery W. Johnson	President	56	\$7,000
James D. Bodnar	Vice-President	77	\$9,625
Kerry D. Erickson	Director	39	\$4,875
Sharon S. Raghavachary	Director	68	\$8,500
Jennifer T. Valdez	Director	40	\$5,000

*Directors are paid a maximum of one meeting per day, regardless of number of meetings or length of day
– e.g. morning through night at a conference. Meetings are limited to 10 per month and 120 per year.

CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS - STAFF REPORT

Action Item No. 1
January 27, 2026

To: Honorable President and Members of the Board of Directors
From: Arturo Montes – Director of Finance and Administration
Subject: Q2 Budget Update

BACKGROUND:

Report on the District's FY 2025-26 budget as of the conclusion of the second quarter, December 31, 2025.

DISCUSSION:

The following discussion is intended to provide additional context to the actual revenue and expenditure figures.

Revenue Analysis

The budget-based rate structure implemented on July 1, 2025, continues to require ongoing analysis to ensure billing accuracy and to monitor changes in customer consumption behavior. With six months of actual data now available, staff evaluated both consumption trends and corresponding revenue performance relative to budgeted expectations and prior-year results.

Total water consumption for the July through December period declined approximately 5% year over year. This reduction is primarily attributable to lower usage, reflecting continued conservation behavior and customer response to above average rainfall.

Table 1. Consumption Analysis for First Six Months of FY 2026

	Water Consumption (In Gallons)		Variance	
	FY 2025	FY 2026	Gallons	%
Tier 1	189,488,000	211,769,000	22,281,000	12%
Tier 2	151,942,000	109,207,000	(42,735,000)	-28%
Tier 3	69,025,000	53,622,000	(15,403,000)	-22%
SFR Total	410,455,000	374,598,000	(35,857,000)	-9%
Uniform	188,569,000	193,043,000	4,474,000	2%
Irrigation	24,809,000	26,551,000	1,742,000	7%
Total	623,833,000	594,192,000	(29,641,000)	-5%

Next, staff aligned consumption data with revenue to assess overall revenue performance. While variable, consumption-based revenue declined due to lower usage, fixed service charge revenue increased due to the shift in fixed-to-variable ratio. As a result, total water revenue for the first six months of FY 2026 increased approximately 4% compared to the same period in FY 2025.

Although total revenue growth is below the projected 8% increase assumed in the FY 2026 budget, the increased fixed-rate component has partially offset the reduction in variable revenue, confirming that the revised rate structure is functioning as intended to stabilize revenues during periods of lower consumption.

Table 2. Revenue Analysis for First Six Months of FY 2026

Total Revenue			Variance	
	FY 2025	FY 2026	\$	%
SFR	\$5,377,553	\$5,381,850	\$4,297	0%
Uniform	\$2,210,159	\$2,469,451	\$259,293	12%
Irrigation	\$287,702	\$347,649	\$59,948	21%
Total	\$7,875,414	\$8,198,951	\$323,537	4%

Wastewater revenues are currently tracking higher than expected for the first six months. Staff continues to monitor household size, which is the primary factor used in calculating wastewater service charges. Staff proactively contacted a majority of the District's customers to confirm household size.

Fund Summaries

Overall, Water and Wastewater Fund expenditures are tracking below budget. As noted in the first-quarter update, a significant portion of operating and capital-related expenses are recorded as projects are completed, which typically occurs later in the fiscal year. Water production from Well 16 in Glendale continues above projections, reducing the District's reliance on purchased water from FMWD. This is significant as purchased water from FMWD accounts for over 25% of budgeted expenses. City of Los Angeles Sewer Services expenses are currently tracking above budget. This variance is due in part to the District's receipt of the 2024 reconciliation bill from the City of Los Angeles during the second quarter. This expense was anticipated during budget development, and staff expects year-end costs to be only slightly over budget.

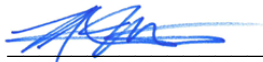
Water Fund Summary

Description		Annual Budget	Actual	Remaining Annual Budget	% of Total Budget
Revenue					
Water Sales - Fixed	\$	5,481,000	\$ 2,732,996	\$ 2,310,276	50%
Water Sales - Metered		9,741,400	5,686,790	3,024,200	58%
Interest Income Water		310,000	241,579	68,421	78%
Other Income Water		2,390,000	1,853,229	432,771	78%
Construction Revenue		199,000	72,546	226,454	36%
Revenue	\$	18,121,400	\$ 10,587,140	\$ 6,062,122	58%
Expenses					
Labor & Benefits	\$	5,170,400	\$ 1,971,646	\$ 3,198,754	38%
Imported Water (Foothill)		3,900,000	1,325,006	2,574,994	34%
Imported Water (Glendale)		70,000	60,302	9,698	86%
Power Cost		1,000,000	465,420	534,580	47%
Operating Cost		4,194,000	1,031,665	3,162,335	25%
Expenses	\$	14,334,400	\$ 4,854,039	\$ 9,480,361	34%
Debt Service					
	\$	1,157,818	\$ 325,000	\$ 832,818	28%
Infrastructure	\$	3,200,000	\$ 658,218	\$ 2,541,782	21%
***Bond Funded CIP		10,750,000	327,746	10,422,254	3%
Capital Outlays & Equip		723,750	35,083	688,667	5%
OPEB		-	-	-	0%
Total CIP & OPEB		14,673,750	1,021,047	13,652,703	7%

Wastewater Fund Summary

Description		Annual Budget	Actual	Remaining Annual Budget	% of Total Budget
Revenue					
	Wastewater - User Charges	\$ 4,485,000	\$ 2,740,371	1,744,629	61%
	Interest Income Wastewater	-	-	-	0%
	Other Income Wastewater	28,200	8,808	19,392	31%
	Construction Revenue	39,000	15,549	23,451	40%
	Revenue	\$ 4,552,200	\$ 2,764,728	\$ 1,787,472	61%
Expenses					
	Labor & Benefits	1,576,400	561,851	1,014,549	36%
	City of LA Sewer Services	1,290,500	1,042,397	248,103	81%
	Purchase Power	6,000	901	5,099	15%
	Operating Cost	920,100	182,756	737,344	20%
	Expenses	\$ 3,793,000	\$ 1,787,905	\$ 2,005,095	47%
	Infrastructure	209,000	3,211	205,789	2%
	Capital Outlays & Equip	86,250	-	86,250	0%
	OPEB	-	-	-	0%
	Total CIP & OPEB	295,250	3,211	292,039	1%
	Net Revenue minus Expenses	463,950	973,612		

Prepared and Submitted by:



Arturo Montes
Director of Finance and Administration

Attachment(s): FY 2026 Q2 Budget Variance Report
Water Revenue Summary (July-December)

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SUMMARY

Crescenta Valley Water District Water Budget Variance Report Actuals as of December 2025 (50% of Year)

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	Capital Outlays & Equip	723,750	35,083	688,667	5%
	OPEB	-	-	-	0%
Total CIP & OPEB		14,673,750	1,021,047	13,652,703	7%
Net Revenue minus Expenses		(1,294,568)	4,714,800		

REVENUE

Crescenta Valley Water District Water Budget Variance Report Actuals as of December 31, 2025 (50% of Year)

Description		Annual Budget	Actual	Remaining Annual Budget	% of Total Budget
Revenue					
4010-000	Water Sales - Consumers	\$ 9,100,000	\$ 6,309,280	\$ 2,790,720	69%
4010-007	Irrigation	\$ 641,400	407,920	233,480	64%
4010-008	Water Sales- Service Charge	\$ 5,400,000	3,113,397	2,286,603	58%
4010-009	Water Sales - Fire Service	\$ 81,000	57,327	23,673	71%
4010-010	Capital Charge	\$ 2,045,000	78,026	1,966,974	4%
4020-000	Water Sales - Others	\$ 81,000	7,770	73,230	10%
4110-000	Meter Installation/Hydrant	\$ 54,000	-	54,000	0%
4220-000	Water Systems Connect Fee	\$ 145,000	72,546	72,454	50%
4230-000	Other Income - Misc	\$ 70,000	1,328	68,672	2%
4230-010	Other Income - Flood Meters	\$ -	-	-	0%
4230-020	Other Income - Applications	\$ 20,000	10,080	9,920	50%
4230-030	Other Income - Cell Towers	\$ 4,000	-	-	0%
4240-000	Interest Earned - Water	\$ 200,000	187,304	12,696	94%
4245-000	Interest Earned-COPS	\$ 100,000	54,275	45,725	54%
4260-000	Unrealized Gain/Loss on Invest	\$ -	-	-	0%
4265-000	Fair Value Adjustment	\$ -	-	-	0%
4270-000	Gain/Loss on Sale of Assets	\$ -	-	-	0%
4271-000	Gain/Loss Sale of Investments	\$ 10,000	-	10,000	0%
4275-001	Rental Income - PA House	\$ 13,100	4,944	8,156	38%
4275-002	Rental Income - Sycamore House	\$ 21,900	8,262	13,638	38%
4275-003	Rental Income - Mills House	\$ 35,000	-	35,000	0%
4280-000	MTBE Settlement	\$ -	291	(291)	0%
4280-001	PFAS Settlement	\$ -	1,742,528	(1,742,528)	0%
4285-000	Grant Revenue - State	\$ 100,000	-	100,000	0%
4287-000	Capital Contributions - Local	\$ -	-	-	0%
Revenue		\$ 18,121,400	\$ 12,055,278	\$ 6,062,122	67%

EXPENSE

Crescenta Valley Water District Water Budget Variance Report Actuals as of December 31, 2025 (50% of Year)

Description		Annual Budget	Actual	Remaining Annual Budget	% of Total Budget
Compensation and Benefits					
5000-100	Director Fees	\$ 24,000	\$ 9,063	\$ 14,938	38%
5000-200	Officer Salaries	\$ 372,400	118,704	253,696	32%
5000-300	Administrative Service - Labor	\$ 706,600	417,735	288,865	59%
5000-310	Administrative Service - OT	\$ 21,000	5,501	15,499	26%
5000-350	Engineering Labor	\$ 243,000	269,912	(26,912)	111%
5000-360	Engineering Labor OT	\$ 20,000	8,165	11,835	41%
5000-400	Maintenance Labor	\$ 612,500	265,877	346,623	43%
5000-410	Maintenance Labor OT	\$ 61,300	52,982	8,318	86%
5000-500	System Operations	\$ 628,800	381,476	247,324	61%
5000-510	System Operations OT	\$ 42,200	13,734	28,466	33%
5000-800	Standby Pay	\$ 130,000	43,875	86,125	34%
5045-000	Automobile Allowance	\$ 16,200	4,116	12,084	25%
5047-000	Phone Allowance	\$ 2,600	1,040	1,561	40%
5050-000	Employer Portion of PERS	\$ 769,600	24,390	745,210	3%
5052-000	GASB 68 Adjustment - Water		-	-	0%
5052-001	GASB 75 Adjustment		-	-	0%
5060-000	Taxes-Payroll	\$ 332,800	100,538	232,262	30%
5070-000	Sick Leave/Vacation-Office	\$ 297,300	66,965	230,335	23%
5080-000	Health Dental Vision	\$ 574,800	130,482	444,318	23%
5080-055	Retiree Health Care Expense	\$ 181,000	-	181,000	0%
5082-000	Life and Disability Insurance	\$ 15,700	834	14,866	5%
5083-000	Self Insurance	\$ 19,300	4,109	15,191	21%
5084-000	Wellness Program	\$ 10,100	881	9,219	9%
5085-000	Workers' Compensation Ins	\$ 89,200	51,269	37,932	57%
Compensation and Benefits		\$ 5,170,400	\$ 1,971,646	\$ 3,198,754	38%

EXPENSE

Crescenta Valley Water District Water Budget Variance Report Actuals as of December 31, 2025 (50% of Year)

Description		Annual Budget	Actual	Remaining Annual Budget	% of Total Budget
Gen'l and Admin Expenses					
5090-000	GL, Property, Fidelity Ins	\$ 115,500	\$ 110,478	\$ 5,022	96%
5100-000	Accounting	\$ 34,000	-	34,000	0%
5125-000	Legal	\$ 210,000	9,329	200,671	4%
5130-000	Administrative Consultants	\$ 629,900	76,577	553,323	12%
5135-000	Interns	\$ 13,000	-	13,000	0%
5140-000	Election Expense	\$ -	-	-	0%
5150-000	Building Maintenance-Office	\$ 89,300	5,317	83,983	6%
5160-000	Furniture & Fixtures Expense	\$ -	-	-	0%
5170-000	Landscaping Expense	\$ 22,800	3,255	19,545	14%
5180-000	Office Supplies & Misc Expense	\$ 15,900	1,756	14,144	11%
5180-100	Misc Expense - COVID-19	\$ -	-	-	0%
5190-000	Computers and Network	\$ 6,500	-	6,500	0%
5195-000	Computer Software	\$ 233,800	157,084	76,716	67%
5200-000	Utilities	\$ 39,700	19,224	20,476	48%
5225-000	Enterprise Voice Com	\$ 50,000	-	50,000	0%
5226-000	Wireless Voice & Data	\$ -	4,679	(4,679)	0%
5227-000	Data Communications - Fiber	\$ -	285	(285)	0%
5230-000	Printing Postage Stationery	\$ 100,000	45,523	54,477	46%
5250-000	Water System Fees	\$ 65,000	57,823	7,177	89%
5260-000	Engineering Expense	\$ 3,800	463	3,337	12%
5300-000	Training-Office	\$ 13,900	375	13,525	3%
5311-000	Tuition Reimbursement	\$ 8,000	-	8,000	0%
5320-000	Conferences & Seminars	\$ 47,000	6,782	40,218	14%
5310-000	Operator Certifications-Educ	\$ 13,800	2,587	11,213	19%

EXPENSE

Crescenta Valley Water District Water Budget Variance Report Actuals as of December 31, 2025 (50% of Year)

				Remaining	
Description		Annual Budget	Actual	Annual Budget	% of Total Budget
5350-000	Misc Administration	\$ 44,700	27,678	17,022	62%
5355-000	Memberships/Subscriptions	\$ 52,800	30,755	22,045	58%
5365-000	Bank Charges	\$ 45,000	2,885	42,115	6%
5270-000	Water Conservation Expense	\$ 10,000	4,942	5,058	49%
5270-400	Water Conservation Rebates	\$ 5,000	-	5,000	0%
5270-600	Community Outreach	\$ 30,000	3,369	26,631	11%
Gen'l and Admin Expenses		\$ 1,899,400	\$ 571,167	\$ 1,328,233	30%
Non-Operating Expense					
5910-000	Interest Expense - Notes	40,000	14,548	25,452	36%
5920-100	Rental Expenses - PA House	1,500	-	1,500	0%
5920-200	Rental Expenses - Sycamore	1,500	413	1,088	28%
5920-300	Rental Expenses - Mills	4,500	7,200	(2,700)	160%
Non-Operating Expense		\$ 47,500	\$ 22,161	\$ 25,340	47%
Operations Expense					
5145-000	Taxes-Property	\$ 16,900	\$ 8,387	\$ 8,513	50%
5330-000	Safety & Security	\$ 31,500	4,678	26,822	15%
5340-000	Uniforms	\$ 37,200	2,816	34,384	8%
5360-000	Emergency Operations/Repairs	\$ 46,200	1,028	45,173	2%
5370-000	Permit & Assessment Fees	\$ 3,800	1,048	2,752	28%
5380-000	Tools and Eq Maintenance	\$ 49,500	14,027	35,473	28%

EXPENSE

Crescenta Valley Water District Water Budget Variance Report Actuals as of December 31, 2025 (50% of Year)

Description		Annual Budget	Actual	Remaining Annual Budget	% of Total Budget
5390-000	Nitrate Plant	\$ 120,000	-	120,000	0%
5441-000	Inventory Shrinkage/Overage	\$ -	-	-	0%
5442-000	Inventory Disposal	\$ -	-	-	0%
5445-000	Telemetry & Signal System	\$ 102,000	1,622	100,378	2%
5460-000	Water Treatment Expense	\$ 145,000	6,240	138,760	4%
5450-100	Lab & Sampling Expense	\$ 197,300	90,004	107,296	46%
5450-200	Non-Lab & Sampling	\$ 17,500	-	17,500	0%
5402-000	Power Purchased - Pumping	\$ 1,000,000	465,420	534,580	47%
Operations Expense		\$ 1,766,900	\$ 595,270	\$ 1,171,630	34%
Water System Expense					
5400-000	Water Usage Cost Exp Well 16	\$ 70,000	\$ 60,302	\$ 9,698	86%
5401-000	Purchased Water FMWD	3,900,000	1,325,006	2,574,994	34%
Water System Expense		\$ 3,970,000	\$ 1,385,308	\$ 2,584,692	35%
Distribution System Expense					
5410-000	Backflow Expense	\$ 800	\$ -	\$ 800	0%
5423-100	Pipelines - Maintenance	\$ 73,000	65,566	7,434	90%
5423-300	Fire Hydrant Repair/Replace	\$ 57,000	14,297	42,703	25%
5423-500	Pipelines-Trench Plate Rentals	\$ -	-	-	0%
5423-700	Pipelines - Valves	\$ 105,000	12,376	92,624	12%
5424-100	Reservoir Maintenance	\$ 130,000	11,499	118,501	9%

EXPENSE

Crescenta Valley Water District Water Budget Variance Report Actuals as of December 31, 2025 (50% of Year)

				Remaining	
Description		Annual Budget	Actual	Annual Budget	% of Total Budget
5424-200	Reservoir Landscape	\$ 60,000	100	59,900	0%
5425-100	Meter Maintenance	\$ 30,100	(316)	30,416	-1%
5425-300	Meter Repair/Replace/Upgrade	\$ 29,000	14,931	14,069	51%
5425-400	Lateral Maintenance	\$ 114,000	45,624	68,376	40%
5425-450	Lateral Leaks and Repairs	\$ 88,500	22,106	66,394	25%
5425-500	Meters - Trench Plate Rentals	\$ -	-	-	0%
5431-000	Land Lease Cost Expense Well16	\$ 19,400	9,673	9,727	50%
5432-100	Well Site - Maintenance	\$ 30,000	(354)	30,354	-1%
5432-200	Well Site - Landscape	\$ 13,000	5,040	7,961	39%
5433-000	Booster Pumps - Maintenance	\$ 101,000	380	100,620	0%
5434-000	Emergency Power Generators	\$ 53,000	48,378	4,622	91%
5440-100	Auto/Truck Maintenance	\$ 60,800	45,015	15,785	74%
5440-200	Auto/Truck Maintenance-Gas	\$ 39,000	2,705	36,295	7%
5440-300	Auto/Truck Maintenance-Diesel	\$ 35,300	9,837	25,463	28%
5423-200	Pipelines - Paving	\$ -	-	-	0%
5423-400	Pipelines - Leak Detect/Repair	\$ 34,000	-	34,000	0%
5425-200	Meters - Paving	\$ 207,000	-	207,000	0%
5425-700	D-Job Meters/Hydrants	\$ 200,000	1,632	198,368	1%
5432-300	Well Site - Lease Payment	\$ 300	-	300	0%
Distribution System Expense		\$ 1,480,200	\$ 308,488	\$ 1,171,712	21%
Water Totals					
Totals		\$ 14,334,400	\$ 4,854,039	\$ 9,480,361	34%

SUMMARY

Crescenta Valley Water District Wastewater Budget Variance Report Actuals as of December 30, 2025 (50% of Year)

Description		Annual Budget	Actual	Remaining Annual Budget	% of Total Budget
Revenue					
	Wastewater - User Charges	\$ 4,485,000	\$ 2,740,371	1,744,629	61%
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	Operating Cost	920,100	182,756	737,344	20%
Expenses		\$ 3,793,000	\$ 1,787,905	\$ 2,005,095	47%
	Infrastructure	209,000	3,211	205,789	2%
	Capital Outlays & Equip	86,250	-	86,250	0%
	OPEB	-	-	-	0%
Total CIP & OPEB		295,250	3,211	292,039	1%
Net Revenue minus Expenses		463,950	973,612		

REVENUE

Crescenta Valley Water District Wastewater Budget Variance Report Actuals as of December 31, 2025 (50% of Year)

	Annual Budget	Actual	Remaining Annual Budget	% of Total Budget
Sewage Disposal Sales	\$ 4,485,000	\$ 3,373,965	\$ 1,111,035	75%
Property Owner Assessments	35,000	\$ 15,549	\$ 19,451	44%
Sewer Permits	4,000	\$ -	\$ 4,000	0%
Other Income	5,000	\$ -	\$ 5,000	0%
Interest Earned - Sewer	-	\$ -	\$ -	0%
Unrealized Gain/Loss on Invest	-	\$ -	\$ -	0%
Fair Value Adjustment	-	\$ -	\$ -	0%
Gain/Loss Sale of Investments	-	\$ -	\$ -	0%
Rental Income - PA House	4,400	\$ 1,650	\$ 2,750	38%
Rental Income - Sycamore House	7,200	\$ 7,158	\$ 42	99%
Rental Income - Mills House	11,600	\$ -	\$ 11,600	0%
	\$ 4,552,200	\$ 3,398,322	\$ 1,142,278	75%

EXPENSE

**Crescenta Valley Water District
Wastewater Budget Variance Report
Actuals as of December 31, 2025 (50% of Year)**

Description		Annual Budget	Actual	Remaining Annual Budget	% of Total Budget
Compensation and Benefits					
5000-100	Director Fees	\$ 24,000	\$ 9,063	\$ 14,937	38%
5000-200	Officer Salaries	\$ 243,000	54,605	\$ 188,395	22%
5000-300	Administrative Service - Labor	\$ 272,200	176,881	\$ 95,319	65%
5000-310	Administrative Service - OT	\$ 27,400	2,603	\$ 24,797	10%
5000-350	Engineering Labor	\$ 165,000	-	\$ 165,000	0%
5000-360	Engineering Labor OT	\$ 7,000	-	\$ 7,000	0%
5000-400	Maintenance Labor	\$ 204,200	83,313	\$ 120,887	41%
5000-410	Maintenance Labor OT	\$ 20,400	17,661	\$ 2,739	87%
5000-800	Standby Pay	\$ 11,600	7,391	\$ 4,209	64%
5045-000	Automobile Allowance	\$ 5,400	3,039	\$ 2,361	56%
5047-000	Phone Allowance	\$ 900	998	\$ (98)	111%
5050-000	Employer Portion of PERS	\$ 220,000	90,330	\$ 129,670	41%
5060-000	Taxes - Payroll	\$ 62,500	35,265	\$ 27,235	56%
5070-000	Sick Leave/Vacation	\$ 79,800	13,891	\$ 65,909	17%
5080-000	Health Dental Vision	\$ 144,800	47,426	\$ 97,374	33%
5080-100	Retiree Health Care Expense	\$ 60,000	-	\$ 60,000	0%
5082-000	Life and Disability Insurance	\$ 4,000	400	\$ 3,600	10%
5083-000	Self Insurance	\$ 5,200	1,633	\$ 3,567	31%
5084-000	Wellness Program	\$ 2,700	774	\$ 1,926	29%
5085-000	Workers' Compensation Ins	\$ 16,300	16,578	\$ (278)	102%
Compensation and Benefits		\$ 1,576,400	\$ 561,851	\$ 1,014,549	36%

EXPENSE

Crescenta Valley Water District Wastewater Budget Variance Report Actuals as of December 31, 2025 (50% of Year)

Description		Annual Budget	Actual	Remaining Annual Budget	% of Total Budget
Gen'l and Admin Expenses					
5090-000	GL, Property, Fidelity Ins	105,000	36,826	\$ 68,174	35%
5100-000	Accounting	9,000	-	\$ 9,000	0%
5125-000	Legal	70,000	3,110	\$ 66,890	4%
5130-000	Administrative Consultants	182,000	12,895	\$ 169,105	7%
5135-000	Interns	8,800	-	\$ 8,800	0%
5140-000	Election Expense	-	-	\$ -	0%
5150-000	Building Maintenance	29,800	1,688	\$ 28,112	6%
5170-000	Landscaping Expense	7,700	1,085	\$ 6,615	14%
5180-000	Office Supplies & Misc Expense	4,400	1,641	\$ 2,759	37%
5190-000	Computers and Network	2,100	-	\$ 2,100	0%
5195-000	Computer Software	78,000	29,706	\$ 48,294	38%
5200-000	Utilities	12,600	6,408	\$ 6,192	51%
5225-000	Enterprise Voice Communication	17,000	-	\$ 17,000	0%
5226-000	Wireless Voice & Data	-	1,559	\$ (1,559)	0%
5227-000	Data Communications - Fiber	-	95	\$ (95)	0%
5230-000	Printing Postage Stationery	35,000	15,174	\$ 19,826	43%
5260-000	Engineering Expense	1,300	154	\$ 1,146	12%
5300-000	Training	4,600	125	\$ 4,475	3%
5310-000	Operator Certifications	5,100	668	\$ 4,432	13%
5311-000	Tuition Reimbursment	2,000	-	\$ 2,000	0%
5320-000	Conferences & Seminars	18,000	\$ 1,208	\$ 16,792	7%
5350-000	Misc Administration	14,600	8,156	\$ 6,444	56%
5355-000	Memberships/Subscriptions	24,100	12,664	\$ 11,436	53%
5360-000	Emergency Operations/Repairs	5,500	343	\$ 5,157	6%
5365-000	Bank Charges	45,000	2,885	\$ 42,115	6%
Gen'l and Admin Expenses		\$ 681,600	\$ 136,390	\$ 545,210	20%

EXPENSE

Crescenta Valley Water District Wastewater Budget Variance Report Actuals as of December 31, 2025 (50% of Year)

Description		Annual Budget		Actual	Remaining Annual Budget	% of Total Budget
Non-Operating Expense						
5920-100	Rental Expenses - PA House	\$	500	\$ -	\$ 500	0%
5920-200	Rental Expenses - Sycamore		500	83	\$ 417	17%
5920-300	Rental Expense - Mills		3,000	2,400	\$ 600	80%
Non-Operating Expense		\$	4,000	\$ 2,483	\$ 1,517	62%
Operations Expense						
5145-000	Taxes-Property	\$	5,500	\$ 2,796	\$ 2,704	51%
5330-000	Safety & Security		10,500	1,603	\$ 8,897	15%
5340-000	Uniforms		12,000	221	\$ 11,779	2%
5380-000	Tools and Eq Maintenance		14,000	4,744	\$ 9,256	34%
5402-000	Power Purchased - Lift Stn		6,000	901	\$ 5,099	15%
5445-100	Telemetrying & Signal System		10,400	-	\$ 10,400	0%
5445-200	SCADA Hardware		-	-	\$ -	0%
5445-300	SCADA Software		-	-	\$ -	0%
5445-400	SCADA Phone Lines		-	-	\$ -	0%
Operations Expense		\$	58,400	\$ 10,265	\$ 48,135	18%

EXPENSE

Crescenta Valley Water District Wastewater Budget Variance Report Actuals as of December 31, 2025 (50% of Year)

Description		Annual Budget	Actual	Remaining Annual Budget	% of Total Budget
Wastewater System Expense					
5434-000	Emergency Power Generators	\$ -	\$ 227	\$ (227)	0%
5700-000	Wastewater System Expense	1,290,500	1,042,397	\$ 248,103	81%
Wastewater System Expense		\$ 1,290,500	\$ 1,042,624	\$ 247,876	81%
Collection System Expense					
5423-000	Pipelines - Maintenance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
5423-100	Pipelines - Maintenance	63,000	-	\$ 63,000	0%
5440-100	Auto/Truck Maintenance	20,300	3,704	\$ 16,596	18%
5440-200	Auto/Truck Maintenance-Gas	13,000	902	\$ 12,098	7%
5440-300	Auto/Truck Maintenance-Diesel	11,800	3,650	\$ 8,150	31%
5621-000	Sewer Flow Monitoring Expense	57,000	5,081	\$ 51,919	9%
5624-000	Sewer Camera Van Inspection	7,000	18,699	\$ (11,699)	267%
5625-000	Sewer Interceptor Maintenance	10,000	1,355	\$ 8,645	14%
5628-000	Sewer Lift Station Maintenance		-	\$ -	0%
Collection System Expense		\$ 182,100	\$ 33,391	\$ 148,709	18%
Wastewater Totals					
Totals		\$ 3,793,000	\$ 1,787,004	\$ 2,005,996	47%

Water Revenue Summary (July-December)

Water Consumption (In Gallons)				
	FY 2025	FY 2026	Variance Gallons	%
Tier 1	189,488,000	211,769,000	22,281,000	12%
Tier 2	151,942,000	109,207,000	(42,735,000)	-28%
Tier 3	69,025,000	53,622,000	(15,403,000)	-22%
SFR Total	410,455,000	374,598,000	(35,857,000)	-9%
Uniform	188,569,000	193,043,000	4,474,000	2%
Irrigation	24,809,000	26,551,000	1,742,000	7%
Total	623,833,000	594,192,000	(29,641,000)	-5%

Water Consumption Revenue (Variable Rate Component)				
	FY 2025	FY 2026	Variance \$	%
Tier 1	\$1,131,362	\$1,190,407	\$59,045	5%
Tier 2	\$1,683,802	\$1,251,243	(\$432,559)	-26%
Tier 3	\$1,078,861	\$961,935	(\$116,926)	-11%
SFR Total	\$3,894,025	\$3,403,585	(\$490,440)	-13%
Uniform	\$1,782,269	\$1,879,759	\$97,490	5%
Irrigation	\$249,435	\$287,745	\$38,310	15%
Total	\$5,925,729	\$5,571,089	(\$354,640)	-6%

Service Charge Revenue (Fixed Rate Component)				
	FY 2025	FY 2026	Variance \$	%
SFR	\$1,483,528	\$1,978,265	\$494,737	33%
Uniform	\$427,890	\$589,693	\$161,803	38%
Irrigation	\$38,266	\$59,904	\$21,638	57%
Total	\$1,949,685	\$2,627,862	\$678,178	35%

Total Revenue				
	FY 2025	FY 2026	Variance \$	%
SFR	\$5,377,553	\$5,381,850	\$4,297	0%
Uniform	\$2,210,159	\$2,469,451	\$259,293	12%
Irrigation	\$287,702	\$347,649	\$59,948	21%
Total	\$7,875,414	\$8,198,951	\$323,537	4%

Year over year, (July to December), total revenue grew 4%, primarily due to rate increases and a higher fixed-rate percentage. Although revenue was projected to rise 8%, water consumption declined 5%, partially offset by the larger fixed-rate component.

CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS - STAFF REPORT

Action Item No. 2
January 27, 2026

To: Honorable President and Members of the Board of Directors
From: James Lee – General Manager
Subject: Legislative Advocacy Update – Discussion of Budget Request Letters

ACTION ITEM:

Discussion regarding budget request letters.

BACKGROUND:

The 2026 Strategic Advocacy Plan was authorized by the Board during the December 16, 2025, Board meeting. The plan would identify and pursue funding requests through the State budget process, sponsor and/or co-sponsor legislation for tangible benefits to the District, and implement a bill-tracking system to identify industry-specific bills for the District to support or oppose.

Enclosed for discussion are two budget request letters ahead of submittal within the next several weeks, followed by a series of advocacy meetings on February 25th.

1. Member(s): Assemblymembers Nick Schultz / John Harabedian
 - a. Project: Water quality improvements – e.g., PFAS treatment
 - b. Project: Water supply projects – e.g., stormwater
 - c. Funding request: \$4 million
2. Member(s): Senator Sasha Perez
 - a. Project: Wildfire mitigation – e.g., hydrant placement, fire flow management, site hardening
 - b. Project: Emergency accessibility and resilience – e.g., fire road improvements; emergency communication systems
 - c. Funding request: \$3.5 million

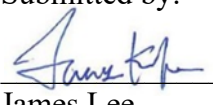
RECOMMENDATION

Discuss draft budget request letters.

Prepared by:


Armine Sargsyan
Sr. Strategic Initiatives Specialist

Submitted by:


James Lee
General Manager

Attachment(s): Letters

January __, 2026

Honorable Nick Schultz
California State Assembly
1021 O Street, Suite 5150
Sacramento, CA 95814

Honorable John Harabedian
California State Assembly
1021 O Street, Suite 4350
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: Support for \$4 M Funding Allocation to Crescenta Valley Water District
Community Stormwater Capture and Drinking Water Quality Improvements**

Dear Assemblymembers Shultz and Harabedian:

I write to request your support for a targeted funding allocation through state budget Member's requests to the Crescenta Valley Water District (CVWD) for implementation of innovative and critical stormwater capture and critical drinking water quality improvement projects. Specifically, I'm requesting your support for advancing the following proposed allocation within the state budget:

- \$4 M to CVWD for development of water resilience projects that encompass community stormwater capture and implementation of a suite of critical drinking water quality improvement projects to ensure public health and safety and water resilience for the community

As you know, CVWD is a retail water and sewer collection services provider in Los Angeles County, delivering safe, reliable retail water service for more than 35,000 customers from local water supplies over a 4-square mile service area encompassing the communities of La Crescenta, Montrose, Verdugo City, and the City of La Canada-Flintridge. CVWD maintains 96 miles of pipeline, 12 groundwater wells, 17 reservoirs with a total storage capacity of 17.5 million gallons, 34 booster pumps, and 740 fire hydrants. To ensure a dependable water supply for both everyday needs and emergencies, CVWD also operates emergency interconnections with neighboring water agencies, including the City of Glendale and the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power.

CVWD derives its water supplies from local groundwater sources and through contracted procurement of imported water through the Foothill Municipal Water District, which purchases water from the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California. Groundwater supplies that CVWD draws from the Verdugo Basin in the CVWD service area are highly dependent on replenishment from precipitation, which may take up to three years to fully infiltrate the Basin. While locally-developed water supplies are considerably less expensive for customers, groundwater replenishment largely depends upon California's cyclical hydrology and CVWD's ability to capture and store water during wet-weather events. From a drinking water perspective, CVWD collects over 1,700 water quality samples each year to monitor minerals, metals, organic chemicals, and bacteria, as required by the State Water Resources Control Board. Daily, weekly, and monthly sampling ensures safe levels of constituents in the system. CVWD's groundwater wells within the Verdugo Basin produce water meeting all State and Federal drinking water quality standards.

Since CVWD serves a region that is noteworthy for its relatively steep terrain, ranging from 1,200 feet to almost 3,000 feet above sea level, there are opportunities and challenges presented

by the unique geography. The steep terrain presents significant opportunities to implement successful stormwater capture projects to collect water from precipitation events. CVWD's stormwater capture program is critical to facilitating replenishment of the Verdugo Basin for consumptive uses by CVWD customers. **State funding assistance would be valuable to implementing several additional small stormwater capture projects within the CVWD service area and to finalize elements of the existing stormwater capture project in the Rosemont Preserve area of the CVWD service area.**

In terms of drinking water quality, increasingly the presence of “forever chemicals” in drinking water sources, like PFAS, which are synthetic and long-lasting chemicals, can significantly affect the availability of high quality and reliable drinking water supplies for customers. When drinking water wells must be shut-down due to PFAS or other contaminants, the reliability of high-quality, safe, and reliable drinking water supplies is threatened. As a result, new groundwater wells to access higher-quality drinking water supplies are periodically necessary to ensure continuity of safe drinking water supplies for customers. **State funding assistance would be valuable to allow CVWD to embark upon a PFAS treatment pilot study to best inform the appropriate and most cost-effective full-scale design of a water treatment methodology to ensure protection of CVWD customers' public health.**

State assistance for infrastructure repair and water resilience projects is essential to boosting the regional economy and protecting customers from even higher water costs than they can afford today. Passing the full cost of major infrastructure projects directly to ratepayers is especially difficult when they are already shouldering the burden of other significant capital improvements, higher costs for water supplies, and a generally increasing cost-of-living.

The following budget bill language would appropriately capture CVWD's interest in a budget allocation to facilitate construction of this suite of innovative projects:

(XX) The amounts specified in this subdivision are hereby appropriated from the General Fund as follows:

(XX) \$4,000,000 to Crescenta Valley Water District for implementation of stormwater capture and drinking water quality improvement projects.

I strongly encourage your support for, and advancement of, investments to assist CVWD in improving the region's infrastructure access and water resilience in the coming State Budget cycle. Now is the time to meaningfully advance these important investments to ensure that residents within the Crescenta Valley region can be better protected against future droughts and increased utility costs.

Thank you for your consideration of this important matter. I look forward to working with you and your staff to help advance this important budget request. Please don't hesitate to contact me at (_____)_____, or CVWD's legislative advocate in Sacramento – Glenn Farrel – at (916) 216-1747, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

January __, 2026

Honorable Sasha Renee Perez
California State Senate
1021 O Street, Suite 6720
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Support for \$3.5 M Funding Allocation to Crescenta Valley Water District Wildfire Mitigation and Facility Access Projects

Dear Senator Perez:

I write to request your support for a targeted funding allocation through state budget Member's requests to the Crescenta Valley Water District (CVWD) for implementation of critical wildfire mitigation and facility access projects within the Crescenta Valley region. Specifically, I'm requesting your support for advancing the following proposed allocation within the state budget:

- \$3.5 M to CVWD for implementation of a suite of critical wildfire mitigation projects within the CVWD service area that will improve the region's fire resilience and responsiveness and advance critical opportunities to support the region's first responders and implementation of facility access plans to preserve road access to critical CVWD facilities to ensure routine and emergency system operations and facilitate greater stormwater capture opportunities

As you know, CVWD is a retail water and sewer collection services provider in Los Angeles County, delivering safe, reliable retail water service for more than 35,000 customers from local water supplies over a 4-square mile service area encompassing the communities of La Crescenta, Montrose, Verdugo City, and the City of La Canada-Flintridge. CVWD maintains 96 miles of pipeline, 12 groundwater wells, 17 reservoirs with a total storage capacity of 17.5 million gallons, 34 booster pumps, and 740 fire hydrants. To ensure a dependable water supply for both everyday needs and emergencies, CVWD also operates emergency interconnections with neighboring water agencies, including the City of Glendale and the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power.

Despite attention and investments on improving wildfire resilience within our communities, our region remains susceptible to wildfire risks, threats, and challenges. Just one year ago, the devastating Eaton Fire burned more than 14,000 acres, destroying more than 9,000 structures in the San Gabriel Valley region, ultimately becoming the fifth deadliest and second most destructive wildfire in California history. Simultaneously, the Palisades Fire in the Santa Monica Mountains spread to more than 23,000 acres, making it the 10th deadliest and third-most destructive California wildfire on record.

While investments in wildfire prevention and resilience are prudent and necessary, it is also essential to be prepared for rapid wildfire response when the need arises. CVWD is pursuing the a suite of wildfire mitigation projects to provide greater fire resiliency within its service area, including the following project elements:

- Hydrant placement/fire road improvements
- Fire flow pressure management

- Site hardening
- Development of regional emergency staging sites
- Infrastructure necessary to provide supplemental firefighting capabilities

State funding assistance would be valuable to offering Crescenta Valley a game-changing way to safeguard life, property, and the environment for the benefit of the community.

Since CVWD serves a region that is noteworthy for its relatively steep terrain, ranging from 1,200 feet to almost 3,000 feet above sea level, there are opportunities and challenges presented by the unique geography. The steep terrain presents significant opportunities to implement successful stormwater capture projects to collect water from precipitation events. However, the steep terrain of the region also presents significant challenges relating to accessibility of CVWD staff to critical facilities. Deterioration of roadways and resulting challenges to accessibility can hamper the ability for CVWD to ensure routine and emergency access to facilities to maintain appropriate water pressure for service delivery and wildfire response. **State funding assistance would be valuable to implementing a road access preservation project to maintain accessibility to critical facilities, facilitate the development of routine and emergency communications redundancy systems, and to provide permeable pavement for improved stormwater capture.**

State assistance for wildfire mitigation and facility access projects is essential to protecting customers from even higher water costs than they can afford today and improving wildfire resilience in the region. Passing the full cost of major infrastructure projects directly to ratepayers is especially difficult when they are already shouldering the burden of other significant capital improvements, higher costs for water supplies, and a generally increasing cost-of-living.

The following budget bill language would appropriately capture CVWD's interest in a budget allocation to facilitate construction of these wildfire mitigation and facility access projects:

(XX) The amounts specified in this subdivision are hereby appropriated from the General Fund as follows:

(XX) \$3,500,000 to Crescenta Valley Water District for implementation of community wildfire mitigation and facility access projects.

I strongly encourage your support for, and advancement of, investments to assist CVWD in improving the region's wildfire mitigation and response and facility access in the coming State Budget cycle. Now is the time to meaningfully advance these important investments to ensure that residents within the Crescenta Valley region can be better protected against future wildfire and emergency events.

Thank you for your consideration of this important matter. I look forward to working with you and your staff to help advance this important budget request. Please don't hesitate to contact me at (____)_____, or CVWD's legislative advocate in Sacramento – Glenn Farrel – at (916) 216-1747, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS - STAFF REPORT

Action Item No. 3
January 27, 2026

To: Honorable President and Members of the Board of Directors
From: Ryan Guiboa – General Counsel
Subject: Code of Conduct Policy for the Board of Directors

ACTION ITEM:

Consideration and adoption of a Code of Conduct by and for the Board of Directors.

BACKGROUND:

In keeping with the policies declared by the state legislature in enacting codes of ethics for state and local officials, it is recognized that high moral and ethical standards among public officials are essential to the conduct of local government. A code of ethics is necessary for the guidance of District officials in order to prevent conflicts of interest in public office, improve standards of public service, and promote and strengthen the faith and confidence of the residence of the District in their governing body.

In support of these objectives, a code of conduct may also be adopted by the Board. A code of conduct policy exemplifies the District's commitment to maintaining a positive and mutually respectful environment for Board members, staff, visitors, members of the public, and all other parties who conduct business or interact with the District.

DISCUSSION:

The promotion of a climate of civility and trust is a shared responsibility of the District's Board of Directors. To further promote a positive environment of mutual respect, the Board may establish a code of conduct that sets the minimum requirements for elected officials of the District. The purpose of a code of conduct is often used to:

- A. Describe the standards of behavior expected of District elected officials;
- B. Promote and maintain an environment that fosters the public's trust and confidence in the District;
- C. Provide an ongoing source of guidance to District elected officials in their day-to-day service as members of the Board; and
- D. Establish complaint handling procedures for any alleged violations.

The Board previously discussed code of conduct policies at the August 26, 2025 Board meeting. At that time, the Board provided direction for the District's policy to include a section on meeting decorum and procedures for handling alleged policy violations. Based on this direction, a Code of Conduct was prepared and subsequently reviewed by the Finance and Policy Committee on November 20, 2025. The Committee's recommendations include removing reference to the District's vision and mission statement and simplifying the section on ethics training of the Code of Conduct. A draft of the Code of Conduct that reflects the Committee's recommendations is attached.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board consider and provide direction and/or adoption of a District Code of Conduct.

Prepared and Submitted by:

Ryan Guiboa
General Counsel

Attachment:

1. Draft Redline of District Code of Conduct

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CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
CODE OF CONDUCT FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

1. Introduction

It is the responsibility of the Board of Directors (Board) of the Crescenta Valley Water District (District) to ensure that the District is well managed and responds to the needs and interests of its constituents, to comply with the law, and use its powers and privileges honorably and fairly in accordance with the law, to safeguard those assets of the District, to employ and appoint such officers and employees as may be required to carry out the public service of the District, and to establish the policies and objectives of the District. The members of the Board are committed to carrying out their duties with unquestionable integrity and respect, emphasizing the highest values and ethical behavior in public service, leadership, and decision-making.

This Code of Conduct serves to provide guidance to District officials in order to prevent conflicts of interest in public office, improve standards of public service, and promote and strengthen the faith and confidence of the residence of the District in their governing body.

2. Purpose

This Code of Conduct serves as a guide for Board members in the performance of their duties and its purpose is to:

- a. Describe the standards of behavior expected of District elected official
- b. Promote and maintain an environment that fosters the public's trust and confidence in the District
- c. Provide an ongoing source of guidance to District elected officials in their day-to-day service as members of the Board; and
- d. Establish complaint handling procedures for any alleged violations

3. Vision

The vision of the District is to secure sustainable water supplies and ensure infrastructure reliability, while furthering the District's commitment to accountability, transparency, and cost effectiveness. The mission of the District is to provide quality water and wastewater services to the Crescenta Valley community in a dependable and economically responsible manner. The Board follows the guiding principles of commitment, partnership, and transparency to achieve the District's vision and mission.

Commented [1]: Committee Recommendation: Remove this section in its entirety.

4. Board Member Responsibilities

Board members recognize that their professional and personal conduct while exercising their office must be above reproach and that they should avoid even the appearance of impropriety. The following commitments serve as a guide for Board members as to how they should conduct themselves while representing the District.

a. Ethical Responsibility

- i. Board members shall abide by and defend all applicable laws and policies, especially the political campaign, lobbying, and conflict of interest laws enforced by the Fair Political Practice Commission (FPPC), and state laws.
- ii. In order to ensure their independence and impartiality on behalf of the common good and compliance with conflict of interest laws, Board members should use their best efforts to refrain from creating an appearance of impropriety in their actions and decisions.
- iii. Board members should not use their official positions to influence government decisions in which they have (a) a material financial interest, (b) an organizational responsibility or personal relationship which may give the appearance of a conflict of interest, or (c) a strong personal bias. Board members who have a potential conflict of interest regarding a particular decision should disclose the matter to the General Counsel and reasonably cooperate with the General Counsel to analyze the potential conflict. If advised by the General Counsel to seek advice from the FPPC or other appropriate state agency, a Board member should not participate in a decision unless and until he or she has requested and received advice allowing them to participate. Board members should diligently pursue obtaining such advice and shall provide the General Manager and General Counsel with a copy of any written request or advice, and conform his or her participation to the advice given.
- iv. Board members should not use District resources that are not available to the public in general (e.g., staff time, equipment, supplies, or facilities) for private gain or for personal purposes not otherwise authorized by law.

~~iv.~~ v. Board members will attend all state-mandated trainings and timely provide proof of participation in such trainings to the District.

b. Ethics Training

- i. Board members are required to complete two (2) hours of state-mandated ethics training for local agency officials within one (1) year of taking office. Thereafter, training is required every two (2) years to meet the specific requirements of Assembly Bill 1234.
- ii. The District shall inform the Directors annually of ethics training opportunities. Group study or self-study ethics curricula developed by the

District must be approved by the Fair Political Practices Commission and the Attorney General and may include local ethics policies.

- iii. All providers of ethics training courses shall provide the Directors with proof of participation forms, indicating the date of the training and the entity that provided the training. The District shall maintain these records for five (5) years.

Commented [2]: Committee Recommendation: Remove this section and include as an item in "Ethical Responsibility" above.

5. Meeting Decorum

- a. All meetings of the Board and its standing committees shall be held in conformance with the provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act, Government Code Section 54950 et seq.
- b. Board members should perform their duties in accordance with the processes and rules of order established by the District and cooperate with the Board President in the orderly conducting of public meetings.
- c. Board members should diligently prepare for meetings by understanding the background, purpose, and arguments for and against items of business before a meeting.
- d. Board members should endeavor to state their views concisely and clearly during meetings of the Board and refrain from discussing items not on the agenda.
- e. Board members should reflect professional standards in attire and conduct in public meetings, conferences, and events when representing the District.
- f. Board members should always be respectful of each other and District staff and refrain from comments and actions that are unprofessional, hostile, offensive, or disruptive.

6. Conflicts of Interest

- a. A Director shall not make, participate in making or in any way attempt to use his/her official position to influence a District decision in which he/she has a financial interest.
- b. A Director shall disclose to the Board, at a public meeting, all affiliations to businesses, institutions, or organizations that participate in any District programs. A Director shall not make, participate in making, or use his/her official position to influence any District decision directly relating to any contract where the Board member knows or has reason to know that any party to the contract is a person or entity with whom the Board member, or any member of his/her immediate family, has engaged in any business transaction or transactions on terms not available to the public.

- c. A conflict of interest can exist anytime a Director's position or decisions provide financial benefit or improper advantage. Directors will comply with the Political Reform Act, Government Code section 1090, et seq., and all other applicable statutes and regulations.
- d. A Director shall not, directly or indirectly, induce or attempt to induce any District employee to do any of the following:
 - i. To participate in an election campaign, contribute to a candidate or political committee, or engage in any other political activity relating to a particular party, candidate or issues; or
 - ii. To refrain from engaging in any lawful political activity.
- e. A former Director shall not represent any person, group, or entity other than himself or herself or his/her spouse or minor children for a period of one year after the termination of his or her official duties as follows:
 - i. Before the Board; or
 - ii. Before the District employees having responsibility for making recommendations to, or taking any action on behalf of the District.

7. Enforcement

- a. This Code of Conduct Policy establishes guiding principles for appropriate conduct and behavior and sets forth the expectations of Board members. The purpose of this section is to establish a process and procedure that: (1) allows the public, members of the Board, and employees to report Code of Conduct policy violations or other misconduct; and (2) provides guidelines to evaluate Code of Conduct policy violations or other misconduct and implement appropriate disciplinary action when necessary. The following sections outline the process for reporting violations of this Code of Conduct Policy or other misconduct by members of the Board.
- b. Reporting Complaints: Any complaints made by members of the public to the General Manager or District staff should be reported to the Board President and General Counsel. Any complaints made by one Board member against another should be reported to the General Manager and General Counsel. Any complaints by employees should be made to the General Manager, who will in turn direct them to the Board President and General Counsel. In the event a complaint involves the Board President, the Vice President shall be informed instead of the Board President.

- c. Evaluation of Complaints Alleging Violations: Upon receipt of a complaint, General Counsel shall conduct an initial review and determine the merits of the complaint and shall present the results of the review to the Board President (or Vice President if involving the Board President) for consideration.
- d. Minor Violations: If the reported violation is found to be without substance, no further action will be taken. If the reported violation is deemed valid but minor in nature, the Board President or General Counsel shall advise the Board member privately in addressing the matter.
- e. Serious Violations: If the reported violation is considered to be serious in nature, the matter shall be referred to Board for consideration of disciplinary action.

8. Disciplinary Action

- a. Disciplinary action may be taken by the Board against any Board member who violates this Policy. In taking such disciplinary action, the Board may consider the following factors:
 - i. nature of the violation;
 - ii. prior violations by the same individual; and
 - iii. other factors which bear upon the seriousness of the violation.
- b. The Board may, at its discretion, impose one or more of the following sanctions upon a Board member for violating the Code of Conduct:
 - i. Public Admonishment: A warning directed to the Board member for behavior that violates this Policy.
 - ii. Revocation of Special Privileges: A revocation of a Board member's committee assignments, including standing and ad hoc committees, regional boards and commissions, and community boards or committee appointments. Other revocations may include temporary suspension of official travel, conference participation, and ceremonial titles.
 - iii. Censure: A formal resolution by the Board officially reprimanding a Board member for the behavior that violates this Policy.

Crescenta Valley Water District is committed to upholding the highest ethical standards in all our business and professional operations and relationships. While the personal values of each Board member may vary, it is necessary that all Directors align and support the District's approved Mission Statement, Vision, and Values that have been implemented, as the basis for organizational decisions.

As a member of the Crescenta Valley Water District Board, I have read the District's Code of Conduct and understand the expectations placed on me as a representative of the District. By signing this Code, I pledge my commitment to uphold a standard set forth herein.

Date

Print Name

Signature





2026 "Being Water Wise Is..." Art Contest



Contest is open to all students attending schools in
Altadena, La Cañada Flintridge, La Crescenta – Montrose

DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES IS FRIDAY, MAY 1, 2026

**K-4
Grades**

**5-8
Grades**

**9-12
Grades**

1st Place: \$100 for Student; \$50 Gift Card for Sponsoring Teacher

2nd Place: \$50 for Student; \$50 Gift Card for Sponsoring Teacher

3rd Place: \$25 for Student; \$25 Gift Card for Sponsoring Teacher

Honorable Mention: \$25 for Student; \$25 Gift Card for Sponsoring Teacher



For information and guidelines visit www.fmwd.com or contact FMWD at (818) 790-4036; mle@fmwd.com

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Wipe FOG and food scraps from plates and pans. Use strainers in your sink to catch food.



2 CAN IT

Pour FOG into a sealed container.



3 COOL IT

Allow FOG to cool and solidify.



4 TRASH IT

Dispose of FOG properly in your trash can.



Don'ts



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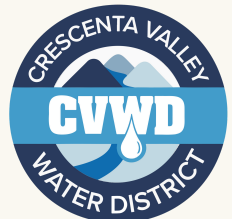
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EDITOR'S PICK

Rosemont Preserve Beautification Project Aims to Sprout More Visits

By Tristan Longwell

Jan 23, 2026

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Photos by Tristan Longwell / *The Rosemont Preserve Entryway Beautification Project will replace the site's chainlink fence gate, designed by local artist Richard Toyon.*



Nestled in the mouth of Goss Canyon in La Crescenta, just past a chainlink fence, sits the nearly 8-acre Rosemont Preserve.

Nature groups have been taking the steps to beautify the area for more community members to enjoy.

Since 2016, the "Rosemont Preserve Entryway Beautification" project has been in the works, from discussions to planning, but has been slow moving due to unexpected circumstances.

Now, plans for a new entryway are taking shape.

The nature preserve is managed in collaboration between the Arroyos and Foothills Conservancy (AFC), Crescenta Valley Water District (CVWD), Los Angeles County Flood Control District, and Friends of the Rosemont Preserve, a volunteer organization, made up of neighbors, retired teachers, water engineers, environmentalists and others.

After a school's proposal to build on the site fell through, AFC purchased the Rosemont Preserve in 2012, responding to the desire of residents' to preserve, restore and provide educational opportunities on the property.

In 2016, the "Rosemont Preserve Entryway Beautification" project was first introduced to the community during an L.A. County Parks Needs Assessment workshop.

The project, which has garnered support from the community and Supervisor Kathryn Barger's office alike, will replace the Rosemont Preserve's old chainlink fence with a new multi-purpose gate, providing more flexible, frequent and secure access to the natural open space, CVWD's water reservoir, and L.A. County's debris basin, while considering the wildlife that passes through, AFC's website states.

Local artist Richard Toyon designed the new entryway which will feature a "community landmark design" with stonework and "sturdy" iron elements, security cameras, a red-tailed hawk emblem and separate pedestrian and vehicle gates, with mobile-app enabled access.

"I think it will be more inviting when you walk up to that gate, it's like area 51 right now, with all these ... trespassing prohibited signs, and it has barbed wire across the top, and it's chainlink. It looks almost military in presence," Toyon told the News-Press. "This is much more welcoming [and] inviting. It speaks to the area. It gives you sort of a little bit of a preview of ... what you are to experience."

Currently, the preserve is only open a few times a month, for pre-scheduled events and field trips for K-12 students, however, when the new gate is installed, AFC plans to increase public access, said Director of Operations Barbara Goto. She said they won't be installing public restrooms or parking, but are fortunate that Two Strike Park, which offers such amenities, is two blocks away from the preserve.

"We're hoping that this is going to give a little bit more public access, while still maintaining the ability to keep the habitat in good shape for the wildlife," Goto said.

The project has been slowmoving. Goto said the COVID-19 pandemic put a pause on everyone's plans. AFC currently has plans and permissions for the gate, but is still looking for project funding.

"We have a grant submitted to the county through Measure A to get that funding. So we're on hold until they make a decision on that grant and if that doesn't get funded, then we'll be writing another grant until we get funding to go through with the construction," Goto said.

Among other challenges, Goto said the Friends of the Rosemont Preserve had to manage project plans as volunteers and cultivate a relationship with CV Water District, who owns the gate and water reservoir, and L.A. County, owner of the Goss Canyon debris basin on the property.

"It was really great when we finally got Supervisor Barger out to talk to her about the project. She was very supportive of it. It's a few different organizations, and getting everybody on the same page, and then...the planning and getting the bids, the engineering, all of what goes into all the technical details about actually doing the work, that's taken a bit as well," Goto said.

According to AFC's website, construction for the beautification project is estimated to begin in mid-2026, and will be commemorated with a grand opening when completed.

PRESERVE'S ENVIRONMENT, STORMWATER SYSTEM

What's nice about the Rosemont Preserve, Director of the Foothill Municipal Water District Frank Colcord said, is that a lot of the plants onsite can be found in multiple different kinds of ecosystems.

At the bottom of canyon is a riparian habitat, relying on water, on the sides is a woodland environment that is drier, but shaded, and the hillsides feature a hot chaparral, said Colcord, who is also co-chairman of the Friends of Rosemont Preserve.

The preserve's trail stretches about a third of a mile and was built by local scouts. The pathway includes plants such as milkweed, mule fat, scale broom, yerba santa, white and black sage, and sycamore, oak and California black walnut and olive trees.

Wildlife cameras, maintained by photographer Denis Callet, capture footage of animals including mountain lions, coyotes, foxes, mule deer, bobcats, bears and more who roam the preserve.

In 2024, Colcord said AFC and Friends of the Rosemont Preserve worked with the CVWD to create a bioswale, storm water capture system, which helps hydrate the preserve's soil before runoff enters the county's debris basin and storm channel.

"Instead of letting the water just go out and get lost in the ocean, we've diverted the water into this depression, which gives the water time enough to slow down and pool and then soak into the ground. La Crescenta gets about half of its drinking water from local wells, the rest we have to buy from the Metropolitan Water District, which is all imported water. It goes a long way and it costs four times more than it costs to produce local water, as well as the environmental footprint is huge compared to just ... harvesting it locally," Colcord said.

VOLUNTEER, EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES, EVENTS

For the past two-plus years, Colcord said AFC has hosted 70plus free field trips annually for 2,500-2,600 students from all over L.A. County. Over 60% of the students who attend the field trips have come from underserved title one schools, according to Colcord.

Field trips, which are provided by grant funding through the Helen and Will Webster Foundation, follow AFC's "conservation through education program." The program teaches students about, geology, birds, native plants and how they adapt to living in Southern California's climate, while also touching on the grounds' Native American history.

Goto said AFC hosts field trips at the preserve around three days per week.

On the first Saturday of each month, AFC hosts "Rosemont Preserve Habitat Restoration Day," where volunteers help plant new native plants and remove non-native plants, and maintain the trails and bioswale, among other tasks.

Goto said they also hold docent tours at the preserve on the fourth Saturday of each month, and "open gate days" twice a month, where visitors can chat with volunteers about onsite wildlife, in addition to other community events.

"We've got binoculars ... for folks who want a bird watch. We've got native plant guides, native animal guides [and] native bird guides," Goto said.

Tristan Longwell

Reporter

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SPOTLIGHT

City of La Cañada Flintridge Pays Second Lawsuit Settlement Agreement

By Mia Alva

Jan 22, 2026



Photo by Mia Alva /



Although the city of La Cañada Flintridge made a settlement agreement payment to the California Housing Defense Fund (CHDF) for litigation regarding the city’s housing element and the decision in the 600 Foothill Boulevard project last year, the nonprofit stated that it has incurred additional attorneys’ fees and costs.

At its hearing in 2024, the city was instructed to set aside its initial decision rejecting the 600 Foothill project under a builder’s remedy legal provision and to process the application.

Later that year, leaders from the state, including Gov. Gavin Newsom, Attorney General Rob Bonta and the Department of Housing and Community Development, intervened in the lawsuit filed by the organization. The city appealed the court’s decision, and an appeal bond was posted, requiring the city to post a bond of \$14 million. Ultimately, the city dropped its appeal.

A judgment was entered in favor of CHDF in April 2024, and the city paid the organization \$1,262,500 for attorney’s fees and costs incurred.

The Jan. 20 agenda states that in order to “avoid expense and delay resulting from further litigation on this issue, and without admission of liability, legal counsel for both parties have negotiated a second settlement ... ”

Under the agreement, the City Council approved to pay CHDF \$32,500.

In consideration for this payment, CHDF will “waive, release and relinquish any and all claims of right or causes of action that it may now or hereafter have against the city arising from the 600 Foothill Project.”

The agenda also states that CHDF will waive and release all rights to pursue any action involving the 600 Foothill project and covenants not to sue to recover future fee claims relating to work performed in this litigation.”

Essentially, CHDF is agreeing not to request any more fees or costs from the city involving this case.

WATER DISTRICT LAWSUIT

The city sent a cease-and-desist letter to the Crescenta Valley Water District in December last year, referring to a new In-House Pipeline program that created disruptions of sound and dump trucks lined up on residential streets and blocking driveways.

Residents in the surrounding area of Ocean View Boulevard and Cross Street said the noise at and around the Williams Reservoir site was “unbearable.”

The City Council ultimately decided to send a cease-and-desist letter to the water district about the program and how it did not identify it as a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) project. The letter’s intention was to stop the program-related activity at the site, City Manager Daniel Jordan said.

Though James Lee, general manager at the Crescenta Valley Water District, told the city that it would permanently stop all activities related to the program, the City Council requested that the water district put it in writing. The city gave the water district until Dec. 24 to respond.

City Attorney Adrian Guerra said at the Jan. 20 meeting that the water district ultimately did not submit the document stating that it would permanently stop activities, and the city filed a lawsuit against the district on Dec. 31.

Lee provided a statement to the Outlook Valley Sun regarding the program and the escalated issues.

“Crescenta Valley Water District is committed to the long-term safety of the Crescenta Valley community and broader region and pursues both creative and common-sense solutions beyond the status quo,” he said. “Operational concerns were satisfied well before the lawsuit. The district does not comment in detail on matters already in litigation. The district hopes that the city pursues dialogue with the broadest public benefit, a long view, legality, empathy, and practicality in mind.”

Mia Alva

Reporter



Department of Water Resources staff conduct the season's first snow survey on Dec. 30, after storms throughout the state raised reservoir storage and boosted snowpack in the Sierras. *Photo courtesy of DWR*

December Storms Boost Snowpack and Water Supply

The first snow survey of the season by the Department of Water Resources on Dec. 30 showed how year-end storms had provided a significant boost to the state's water supply after a dry early December. Those same storms dumped enough rain to raise Lake Oroville by 23 feet over three days, with both events offering a promising but far from certain start to 2026.

DWR's manual survey at Phillips Station recorded 24 inches of snow depth and a snow water equivalent of 5 inches, which is 50% of average for the location, according to a DWR news release. Statewide, the snowpack is 71% of average for this date. Major reservoirs statewide were at 123% of average going into the new year thanks to recent precipitation on top of three

consecutive years of above-average snowpack conditions.

California's statewide snowpack had been lacking in early December with above-average temperatures and very little storm activity.

"The dry conditions and warmer temperatures in early December delayed our snow-building season, but the return of storm activity, especially in the last week, helped to build a solid base for this year's snowpack," stated Angelique Fabbiani-Leon, State Hydrometeorologist for DWR, in the news release. "Thankfully, the recent storms that reached the state were cold enough to provide necessary benefits for the snowpack and our water supply. While California is in a better position

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Legislators Back, Proposed Budget Out

The California Legislature returned to work on Jan. 5 and ACWA has produced a toolkit to encourage and support member agencies' legislative outreach.

Just as ACWA's State Relations Department continued to meet with legislators during the winter recess to advance the association's goals, ACWA encourages member agencies to make similar contact by considering the following and using ACWA's "Outreach Handbook" as a helpful guide.

ACWA's "Outreach Handbook" provides a summary of the state and federal legislative processes, ACWA's policy process, an

→ Page 4 | *Capitol Corner*

Water District & Community Collaboration Creates Multi-Beneficial Bioswale Project

A broad collaboration between a Region 8 ACWA member agency and conservation groups overcame regulatory barriers to create a stormwater capture project — a bioswale that captures stormwater, recharges a local aquifer and benefits wildlife and local education all at the same time.

Completed in late 2024, the bioswale came about through a partnership among the Crescenta Valley Water District (CVWD), Los Angeles County Flood Control District, Arroyos & Foothills Conservancy and its affiliated Friends of Rosemont Preserve advisory committee. The project itself is simple: a 3-foot-deep, 600-square-foot depression landscaped with plants native to the preserve. It works by slowing and capturing stormwater flowing out of a canyon watershed in the Rosemont Preserve, part of the western foothills of the Angeles National Forest. Stormwater absorbs into the naturally porous soils and recharges an aquifer that provides roughly half of the Crescenta Valley's drinking water.

The project represents out-of-box thinking to overcome all-too-common barriers to such projects such as thorny water rights, numerous permits, costly construction, and other costs and delays.

It wasn't necessarily easy, said CVWD General Manager James Lee.

"Ultimately, we were just trying to dig a hole in the ground," Lee said. "We had completed a feasibility study, developed designs, pivoted projects to circumvent water rights issues, applied for and received a permit — think we were done

— then learn that we'd need still other permits, one of which would take several more years," Lee said. "At a certain point, we looked at each other and determined that we would somehow find a way to complete the common-sense project within reasonable time and cost."

Partners were identified, and the partnership generated momentum that pushed past regulatory and challenges. The collaborative effort secured support from nonprofits and other local governments, namely the city of Glendale and communities such as La Crescenta, along with Los Angeles County. Without that buy-in, the bioswale project could have foundered during a years-long bureaucratic process.

Once all the permits and approvals were in place, the actual work creating the bioswale took place over a weekend through the work of volunteers. CVWD provided a couple of backhoes, turning the work into a staff training opportunity on heavy equipment operation.

The bioswale is now part of enhancements to the nature preserve that draw school field trips from across the region and is joined by other projects, including a gate to a trail designed by local tribe members. Heavy rains dousing Southern California in December put the project to the test.

"It worked great, just as designed, and it's been exciting to watch," said Frank Colcord, a volunteer and Co-Chair at the Friends of Rosemont Preserve and a Board Director at nearby Foothill Municipal Water District.



It also adds wildlife habitat, serving as a watering hole for deer, mountain lions and fox.

"Pretty much everything that lives in Southern California comes through here," Colcord said, about its benefits to local wildlife species.

As for enhancing water supplies, the bioswale might add an extra five to 15-acre-feet of aquifer recharge a year. But that's not really the point, Lee said.

"Is that a huge amount of water? Absolutely not," Lee said. "It's definitely a symbolic project. We're an Anytown USA Water District, and the primary value of this project is to demonstrate to ourselves and others that we can pursue timely and real results with imagination and collaborative work. It's a vision that produced a success, and it all comes down to making friends and forming partnerships."

Crescenta Valley has subsequently planned for similar short and longer-term projects, including through DROPS (Data-Driven Resource Optimization and Planning



Photo courtesy of CVWD

System), a collaboration between Foothill Municipal Water District, Glendale Water & Power, Pasadena Water & Power, the California Data Collaborative and Crescenta Valley. It is an initiative that prioritizes future stormwater projects using satellite data to identify more pervious soils and is funded by Metropolitan Water District of Southern California's Future Supply Actions grant. ♦



Watch video
on Stormwater
Capture Solutions
at Rosemont
Preserve

OC Agency, Organizations Launch First AI Course for Water Professionals

A coalition of Orange County agencies including the Moulton Niguel Water District is launching a groundbreaking online education program designed to equip Orange County water professionals with artificial intelligence skills to modernize water utility management.

A collaboration between California Data Collaborative, CEO Leadership Alliance Orange County, Moulton Niguel and the University of California Irvine, Division of Continuing Education, has launched the nation's first online course dedicated to AI for water professionals. Funding for the course was made possible through a California Jobs First grant awarded to the CEO Leadership Alliance Orange County to catalyze local workforce development projects.

The program introduces real-world applications of AI in water operations, conservation, infrastructure planning, customer service and more, strengthening California's position as a leader in innovative, future-ready workforce development.

Creative direction of the course was led by CEO Leadership Alliance

Orange County Senior Advisor of Talent Strategies, Amy Kaufman, and Moulton Niguel General Manager and CEO and Founder of the California Data Collaborative, Joone Kim-Lopez and Dean of the Division of Continuing Education at University of California, Irvine, Krissy Collins.

The partnership grew from a shared belief that essential industries must be ready for the rapid evolution of technology.

"The workforce of tomorrow must harness new technology to deliver bold and accessible solutions," Kim-Lopez stated in a news release. "By joining forces, we created a platform that expands access to AI knowledge for the water sector and helps ensure communities remain resilient for decades to come."

The online course, AI for Water Management Professionals, includes weekly live sessions with industry subject matter experts. The Jobs First grant will provide funding to educate 75 Orange County water professionals; enrollment is on-going throughout the first half of 2026. ♦



CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

General Manager Report

GM Report
January 27, 2026

To: Honorable President and Members of the Board of Directors
From: James Lee, General Manager
Subject: General Manager Report

General Manager's Report Topics:

- Community Office Hours at Montrose Library – January 21st
- 75th Anniversary Commemoration at Hometown Country Fair – April 25th
- Public Outreach and Advocacy Dashboard – January 2026

STAFFING

3 work anniversaries in January – James Lee – 9 years; Avo Matsunyan – 2 years; David Rawlings – 14 years.

Employee Spotlight: Avetis Matsunyan

As of January 23rd, the District has gone 8 days without a lost time incident.

GENERAL MANAGER ACTIVITIES

Meetings:

Managers Meeting(s)	- Jan 15 th ; Jan 22 nd
Crescenta Valley Chamber; CV Town Council	- January 13 th
FMWD Managers Meeting	- January 14 th
Quarterly Safety Lunch	- January 14 th
Engineering, Ops and Tech Committee	- January 14 th
All-Hands Staff Meeting	- January 15 th
Office of Assemblymember Nick Shultz	- January 15 th
Finance and Policy Committee	- January 15 th
South Mesa Mutual Water Company	- January 19 th
Moulton Niguel Water District	- January 20 th
Water Education Seminar	- January 21 st
Community Office Hours, Montrose Library	- January 21 st
Metropolitan Water District of SoCal	- January 22 nd
SoCal Water Coalition -	- January 23 rd
CA Dept of Water Resources	- January 26 th

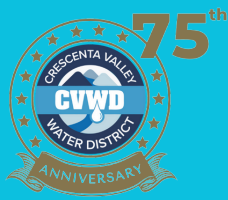
Agreements/Contracts Executed:

Subsurface Technologies – <i>change order</i> <i>E-1101 – Well 5</i>	\$3,500	<i>January 20, 2026</i>
PaveCo – <i>contract</i> <i>I-1095 – Upper Terrace IHP - paving</i>	\$70,958	<i>January 20, 2026</i>

Submitted by:



James Lee
General Manager



Public Outreach Overview

This dashboard is intended to provide an overview of the advocacy and public outreach activities of the District.

Key Activities



Received a \$75,000 reimbursement from the State Water Resources Control Board for the draft Recycled Water Feasibility Study.



Signed onto a multi-organizational letter to the Bureau of Reclamation requesting WaterSMART FY27 funding at FY24 levels or higher.



Met with Asm. Schultz' Legislative Director to propose potential bill concepts.



Drafted Legislative funding requests for State sponsorship of District-specific projects.

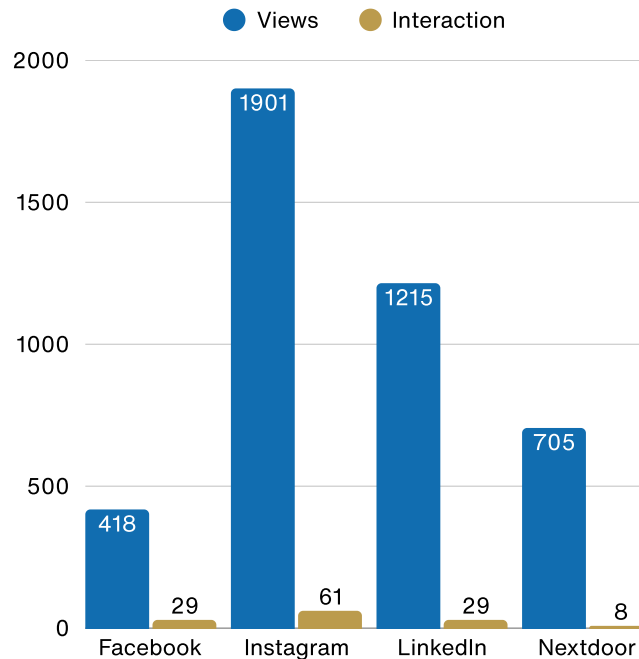


Led the coordination of a strategic partnership with GCC and GWP to engage in a Spring Team Internship program for college students.



Partnered with the CV Chamber to hold CVWD's 75th Anniversary Celebration in conjunction with the Hometown Country Fair on April 25th.

30-Day Content Overview



Outreach Campaigns via Email:

E-blast 1

Community Office Hours

E-blast 2

Being Water Wise Is...

E-blast 3

Dos and Don'ts of FOG

Past Events:

- Jan 21st Community Office Hours
 - 8 attended

Upcoming Events:

- Feb 8th Montrose Harvest Market
- April 25th Hometown Country Fair

Performance By Social Media Platform:

Facebook:

- 135 total followers
 - 2 new followers in the past 30 days

Instagram:

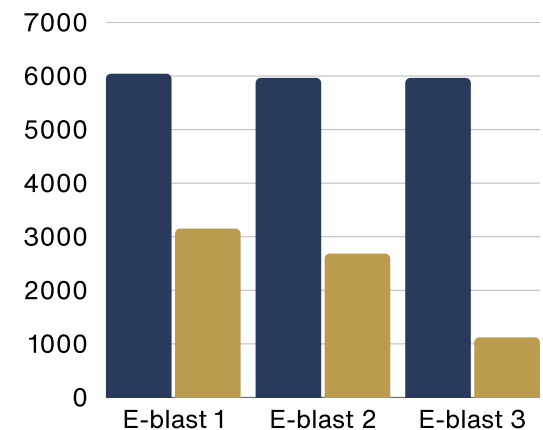
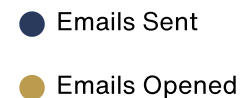
- 134 total followers
 - 5 new followers in the past 30 days

LinkedIn:

- 204 total followers
 - 6 new followers in the past 30 days

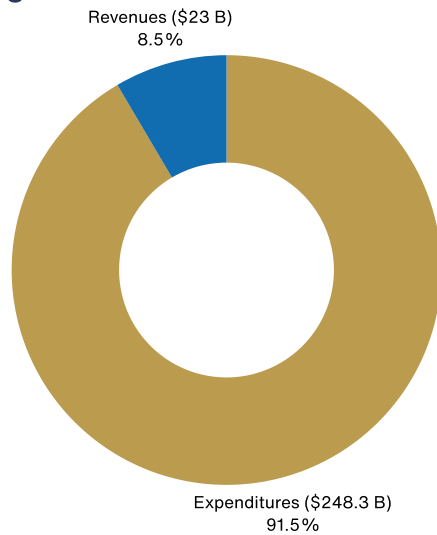
Nextdoor:

- 12,700 service area members
 - 59 new members



JANUARY 2026

State Budget



- The proposed budget projects a reduction of \$1.5 billion to the California Natural Resources Agency, which houses the Department of Water Resources (DWR), and a reduction of \$152 million to the California Environmental Protection Agency, which houses the State Water Board.
- These reductions will impact DWR and State Water Board operations, potentially delaying regulatory matters and/or impeding program implementation.

Key Bills

AB 35 (Alvarez – D) Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparedness, and Clean Air Bond Act of 2024: Administrative Procedure Act: exemption: program guidelines and selection criteria.

This bill would exempt Proposition 4 spending from the Administrative Procedure Act (APA). Full exemption would enable funds to be deployed more quickly and efficiently, ensuring that protracted administrative processes do not hold up vital community projects.

Status: The bill passed out of the Asm. Natural Resources Committee and re-referred to the Committee on Appropriations. Needs to pass out of the house of origin by January 31st.

Position: Support (Coalition)

AB 810 (Irwin – D) Local government: internet websites and email addresses.

This bill would require a special district, joint powers authority, or other political subdivision to comply with a “.gov” top-level domain or a “.ca.gov” second-level domain requirements no later than January 1, 2031.

Status: Bill failed deadline to pass out of Committee on Appropriations.

Position: Not filed

SB 90 (Seyarto – R) Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparedness, and Clean AirBond Act of 2024: grants: improvements to public evacuation routes: mobile rigid water storage: electrical generators.

This bill would include mobile rigid dip tanks supporting firefighting efforts as eligible for public grants.

Status: Placed on Senate Committee on Appropriations suspense file.

Position: Support (Bill Sponsor)



Legislative Update

On January 5, 2026, the California State Legislature reconvened for the second year of the biennial 2025-26 Legislative Session. The Legislature has until January 31st to pass remaining two-year bills out of their house of origin.

The deadline to introduce new bills to be considered in 2026 is February 20th.

On January 9th, Governor Newsom released his FY 2026-27 budget proposal.

The Budget is \$348.9 billion total, with \$248.3 billion in expenditures and \$23 billion in reserves.

This budget is \$42.3 billion higher than anticipated, mostly due to higher-than-anticipated income tax revenues.

This budget proposal projects a \$2.9 billion budget deficit that will need to be addressed during the legislative budgeting process. However, the Legislative Analyst's Office is projecting a \$17.6 billion budget deficit.

Crescenta Valley Water District - Priority 1

1/13/2026

AB 35

(Alvarez D) Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparedness, and Clean Air Bond Act of 2024: Administrative Procedure Act: exemption: program guidelines and selection criteria.

Current Text: Amended: 1/5/2026 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Introduced: 12/2/2024

Last Amend: 1/5/2026

Status: 1/12/2026-VOTE: Do pass as amended and be re-referred to the Committee on [Appropriations] (PASS)

Location: 1/12/2026-A. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

Summary: The Administrative Procedure Act sets forth the requirements for the adoption, publication, review, and implementation of regulations by state agencies. The Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparedness, and Clean Air Bond Act of 2024 authorized the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$10,000,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance projects for safe drinking water, drought, flood, and water resilience, wildfire and forest resilience, coastal resilience, extreme heat mitigation, biodiversity and nature-based climate solutions, climate-smart, sustainable, and resilient farms, ranches, and working lands, park creation and outdoor access, and clean air programs. Current law authorizes certain regulations needed to effectuate or implement programs of the act to be adopted as emergency regulations in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, as provided. Current law requires the emergency regulations to be filed with the Office of Administrative Law and requires the emergency regulations to remain in effect until repealed or amended by the adopting state agency. This bill would delete the above provisions relating to the adoption of regulations to implement the act as emergency regulations and would instead exempt the adoption of those regulations from the Administrative Procedure Act.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
Crescenta Valley WD		Priority 1	ACWA - S	CMUA - S

AB 259

(Rubio, Blanca D) Open meetings: local agencies: teleconferences.

Current Text: Amended: 4/21/2025 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Introduced: 1/16/2025

Last Amend: 4/21/2025

Status: 7/17/2025-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(10). (Last location was JUD. on 5/14/2025) (May be acted upon Jan 2026)

Location: 7/17/2025-S. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	2 year	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

Summary: The Ralph M. Brown Act, requires, with specified exceptions, that all meetings of a legislative body, as defined, of a local agency be open and public and that all persons be permitted to attend and participate. Current law, until January 1, 2026, authorizes the legislative body of a local agency to use alternative teleconferencing if, during the teleconference meeting, at least a quorum of the members of the legislative body participates in person from a singular physical location clearly identified on the agenda that is open to the public and situated within the boundaries of the territory over which the local agency exercises jurisdiction, and the legislative body complies with prescribed requirements. Current law requires a member to satisfy specified requirements to participate in a meeting remotely pursuant to these alternative teleconferencing provisions, including that specified circumstances apply. Current law establishes limits on the number of meetings a member may participate in solely by teleconference from a remote location pursuant to these alternative teleconferencing provisions, including prohibiting such participation for more than 2 meetings per year if the legislative body regularly meets once per month or less. This bill would extend the alternative teleconferencing procedures until January 1, 2030.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
Crescenta Valley WD		Priority 1	ACWA - S	CMUA - F

AB 340

(Ahrens D) Employer-employee relations: confidential communications.

Current Text: Amended: 3/5/2025 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Introduced: 1/28/2025

Last Amend: 3/5/2025

Status: 8/29/2025-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(11). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 8/18/2025)(May be acted upon Jan 2026)

Location: 8/29/2025-S. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	2 year	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary: Current law that governs the labor relations of public employees and employers, including, among others, the Meyers-Milias-Brown Act, the Ralph C. Dills Act, provisions relating to public schools, and provisions relating to higher education, prohibits employers from taking certain actions relating to employee organization, including imposing or threatening to impose reprisals on employees, discriminating or threatening to discriminate against employees, or otherwise interfering with, restraining, or coercing employees because of their exercise of their guaranteed rights. Those provisions of current law further prohibit denying to employee organizations the rights guaranteed to them by current law. This bill would prohibit a public employer from questioning a public employee, a representative of a recognized employee organization, or an exclusive representative regarding communications made in confidence between an employee and an employee representative in connection with representation relating to any matter within the scope of the recognized employee organization's representation.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
Crescenta Valley		Priority 1		
WD				

[AB 362](#)

(Ramos D) Water policy: California tribal communities.

Current Text: Amended: 4/21/2025 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Introduced: 1/30/2025

Last Amend: 4/21/2025

Status: 1/12/2026-From inactive file. Ordered to third reading.

Location: 1/12/2026-A. THIRD READING

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

Summary: The Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act establishes a statewide program for the control of the quality of all the waters in the state and makes certain legislative findings and declarations. Current law defines the term "beneficial uses" for the purposes of water quality as certain waters of the state that may be protected against quality degradation, to include, among others, domestic, municipal, agricultural, and industrial supplies. This bill would add findings and declarations related to California tribal communities, as defined, and the importance of protecting tribal water use. The bill would add tribal water uses as waters of the state that may be protected against quality degradation for purposes of the defined term "beneficial uses."

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
Crescenta Valley		Priority 1		
WD				

ACWA - O/A CMUA - O/A

[AB 372](#)

(Bennett D) Office of Emergency Services: state matching funds: water system infrastructure improvements.

Current Text: Amended: 8/29/2025 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Introduced: 2/3/2025

Last Amend: 8/29/2025

Status: 9/11/2025-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(14). (Last location was INACTIVE FILE on 9/3/2025)(May be acted upon Jan 2026)

Location: 9/11/2025-S. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	2 year	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary: Current law charges the Office of Emergency Services (OES) with coordinating various emergency activities within the state. The California Emergency Services Act, contingent upon an appropriation by the Legislature, requires the OES to enter into a joint powers agreement pursuant to the Joint Exercise of Powers Act with the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection to develop and administer a comprehensive wildfire mitigation program relating to structure hardening and retrofitting and prescribed fuel modification activities. Current law authorizes the joint powers authority to establish financial assistance limits and matching funding or other recipient contribution requirements for the program, as provided. This bill, contingent upon appropriation by the Legislature, would

establish the Rural Water Infrastructure for Wildfire Resilience Program within the OES for the distribution of state matching funds to urban wildland interface communities, as defined, in designated high fire hazard severity zones or very high fire hazard severity zones to improve water system infrastructure, as prescribed. The bill would require the OES to work in coordination with the Department of Water Resources, the State Water Resources Control Board, the Office of the State Fire Marshal, and other state entities as the OES determines to be appropriate, to achieve the purposes of the program.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
Crescenta Valley		Priority 1		
WD			ACWA - F	

AB 497 (Wilson D) San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Estuary Water Quality Control Plan: update: substitute environmental document: exemption.

Current Text: Amended: 1/5/2026 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Introduced: 2/10/2025

Last Amend: 1/5/2026

Status: 1/6/2026-Re-referred to Com. on W. P., & W.

Location: 1/5/2026-A. W.,P. & W.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

Summary: The Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act establishes a statewide program for the control of the quality of all the waters in the state and makes certain legislative findings and declarations. Current law establishes the State Water Resources Control Board to exercise the adjudicatory and regulatory functions of the state in the field of water resources. Pursuant to its authority, the board adopted the Water Quality Control Plan for the San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Estuary (Bay-Delta Plan) that, among other things, establishes objectives to protect the beneficial uses of the water and prevent nuisance within the waters specified in the Bay-Delta Plan. The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), requires a lead agency, as defined, to prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify the completion of, an environmental impact report (EIR) on a project that it proposes to carry out or approve that may have a significant effect on the environment or to adopt a negative declaration if it finds that the project will not have that effect. This bill would require the board to adopt an update to the Bay-Delta Plan that addresses the Sacramento River and its tributaries, Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta (Delta) eastside tributaries, and the Delta no later than August 31, 2026. The bill would exempt the board from the requirements to prepare, provide for review, transmit to state agencies, and include written or oral responses to comments on a specified draft substitute environmental document, as provided.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
Crescenta Valley		Priority 1		
WD				

AB 514 (Petrie-Norris D) Water: emergency water supplies.

Current Text: Amended: 5/1/2025 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Introduced: 2/10/2025

Last Amend: 5/1/2025

Status: 5/23/2025-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/14/2025)(May be acted upon Jan 2026)

Location: 5/23/2025-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	2 year	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

Summary: Would declare that it is the established policy of the state to encourage, but not mandate, the development of emergency water supplies by both local and regional water suppliers, as defined, and to support their use during times of drought or unplanned service or supply disruption, as provided.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
Crescenta Valley		Priority 1		
WD			ACWA - F	CMUA - S

AB 532 (Ransom D) Water rate assistance program.

Current Text: Amended: 7/17/2025 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Introduced: 2/11/2025

Last Amend: 7/17/2025

Status: 8/29/2025-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(11). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 8/18/2025)(May be acted upon Jan 2026)

Location: 8/29/2025-S. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	2 year	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary: Current federal law, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 requires the federal Department of Health and Human Services to carry out a Low-Income Household Drinking Water and Wastewater Emergency Assistance Program, which is also known as the Low Income Household Water Assistance Program, for making grants to states and Indian tribes to assist low-income households that pay a high proportion of household income for drinking water and wastewater services, as provided. Current law requires the Department of Community Services and Development to administer the Low Income Household Water Assistance Program in this state, and to receive and expend moneys appropriated and allocated to the state for purposes of that program, pursuant to the above-described federal law. The Low Income Household Water Assistance Program was only operative until March 31, 2024. This bill would repeal the above-described requirements related to the Low Income Household Water Assistance Program.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
Crescenta Valley WD		Priority 1	ACWA - F	CMUA - Sponsor

AB 638

(Rodriguez, Celeste D) Stormwater: uses: irrigation.

Current Text: Amended: 7/3/2025 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Introduced: 2/13/2025

Last Amend: 7/3/2025

Status: 8/29/2025-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(11). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 8/18/2025)(May be acted upon Jan 2026)

Location: 8/28/2025-S. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	2 year	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary: The Stormwater Resource Planning Act requires the State Water Resources Control Board, by July 1, 2016, to establish guidance for purposes of the act. This bill would require the board, by December 1, 2026, to develop recommendations for stormwater capture and use for the irrigation of urban public lands, as defined. The bill would require the recommendations to address, but not be limited to, opportunities for the use of captured stormwater for irrigation to offset the use of potable water, as specified, and recommendations for, among other things, pathogens and pathogen indicators and total suspended solids. Prior to approving the recommendations, the bill would require the board to solicit and receive written public comment on proposed recommendations.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
Crescenta Valley WD		Priority 1		

AB 794

(Gabriel D) California Safe Drinking Water Act: emergency regulations.

Current Text: Amended: 4/10/2025 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Introduced: 2/18/2025

Last Amend: 4/10/2025

Status: 9/12/2025-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(14). (Last location was INACTIVE FILE on 6/12/2025)(May be acted upon Jan 2026)

Location: 9/12/2025-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	2 year	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary: The California Safe Drinking Water Act (state act) requires the State Water Resources Control Board to administer provisions relating to the regulation of drinking water to protect public health. The state board's duties include, but are not limited to, enforcing the federal Safe Drinking Water Act (federal act) and adopting and enforcing regulations. Current law authorizes the state board to adopt as an emergency regulation, a regulation that is not more stringent than, and is not materially different in substance and effect than, the requirements of a regulation promulgated under the federal act, with a specified exception. This bill would provide that the authority of the state board to adopt an emergency regulation pursuant to these provisions includes the authority to adopt requirements of a specified federal regulation that was in effect on January 19, 2025, regardless of

whether the requirements were repealed or amended to be less stringent. The bill would prohibit an emergency regulation adopted pursuant to these provisions from implementing less stringent drinking water standards, as provided, and would authorize the regulation to include monitoring requirements that are more stringent than the requirements of the federal regulation. The bill would prohibit maximum contaminant levels and compliance dates for maximum contaminant levels adopted as part of an emergency regulation from being more stringent than the maximum contaminant levels and compliance dates of a regulation promulgated pursuant to the federal act.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
Crescenta Valley WD		Priority 1		
			ACWA - O/A	CMUA - O

AB 810 (Irwin D) Local government: internet websites and email addresses.

Current Text: Amended: 4/10/2025 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Introduced: 2/19/2025

Last Amend: 4/10/2025

Status: 5/23/2025-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/7/2025)(May be acted upon Jan 2026)

Location: 5/23/2025-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	2 year	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary: Current law requires that a local agency that maintains an internet website for use by the public to ensure that the internet website uses a ".gov" top-level domain or a ".ca.gov" second-level domain no later than January 1, 2029. Current law requires that a local agency that maintains public email addresses to ensure that each email address provided to its employees uses a ".gov" domain name or a ".ca.gov" domain name no later than January 1, 2029. Current law defines "local agency" for these purposes as a city, county, or city and county. This bill would recast these provisions by instead requiring a city, county, or city and county to comply with the above-described domain requirements and by deleting the term "local agency" from the above-described provisions. The bill would also require a special district, joint powers authority, or other political subdivision to comply with similar domain requirements no later than January 1, 2031.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
Crescenta Valley WD		Priority 1		
			ACWA - NF	CMUA - NF

AB 1413 (Papan D) Sustainable Groundwater Management Act: groundwater adjudication.

Current Text: Amended: 9/2/2025 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Introduced: 2/21/2025

Last Amend: 9/2/2025

Status: 9/11/2025-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(14). (Last location was INACTIVE FILE on 9/9/2025)(May be acted upon Jan 2026)

Location: 9/11/2025-S. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	2 year	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary: Current law requires the Department of Water Resources to periodically review the groundwater sustainability plans developed by groundwater sustainability agencies pursuant to the act to evaluate whether a plan conforms with specified laws and is likely to achieve the sustainability goal for the basin covered by the plan. Current law requires a groundwater sustainability agency to evaluate its groundwater sustainability plan periodically. This bill would require a groundwater sustainability agency to, at least once every 7 years, review, and update if appropriate, its sustainable yield to ensure that the sustainable yield is based on the best available information and best available science, as defined, and will achieve sustainable groundwater management. The bill would also require a groundwater sustainability agency to provide an opportunity for public review and comment before making a determination whether to update its sustainable yield. To the extent that these requirements impose additional duties on groundwater sustainability agencies that are local agencies, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
Crescenta Valley WD		Priority 1		
			ACWA - NF/A	CMUA - NF/A

(Seyarto R) Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparedness, and Clean Air Bond Act of 2024: grants: improvements to public evacuation routes: mobile rigid water storage: electrical generators.

Current Text: Amended: 3/12/2025 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Introduced: 1/22/2025

Last Amend: 3/12/2025

Status: 5/23/2025-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/5/2025)(May be acted upon Jan 2026)

Location: 5/23/2025-S. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	2 year	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary: The Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparedness, and Clean Air Bond Act of 2024, approved by the voters as Proposition 4 at the November 5, 2024, statewide general election, authorized the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$10,000,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance projects for safe drinking water, drought, flood, and water resilience, wildfire and forest resilience, coastal resilience, extreme heat mitigation, biodiversity and nature-based climate solutions, climate-smart, sustainable, and resilient farms, ranches, and working lands, park creation and outdoor access, and clean air programs. The act makes \$135,000,000 available, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to the Office of Emergency Services for a wildfire mitigation grant program to provide, among other things, loans, direct assistance, and matching funds for projects that prevent wildfires, increase resilience, maintain existing wildfire risk reduction projects, reduce the risk of wildfires to communities, or increase home or community hardening. The act provides that eligible projects include, but are not limited to, grants to local agencies, state agencies, joint powers authorities, tribes, resource conservation districts, fire safe councils, and nonprofit organizations for structure hardening of critical community infrastructure, wildfire smoke mitigation, evacuation centers, including community clean air centers, structure hardening projects that reduce the risk of wildfire for entire neighborhoods and communities, water delivery system improvements for fire suppression purposes for communities in very high or high fire hazard areas, wildfire buffers, and incentives to remove structures that significantly increase hazard risk. This bill would include in the list of eligible projects grants to the above-mentioned entities for improvements to public evacuation routes in very high and high fire hazard severity zones, mobile rigid dip tanks, as defined, to support firefighting efforts, prepositioned mobile rigid water storage, as defined, and improvements to the response and effectiveness of fire engines and helicopters.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
Crescenta Valley	Support	Priority 1		
WD				

(Durazo D) Water Rate Assistance Program.

Current Text: Amended: 5/7/2025 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Introduced: 2/12/2025

Last Amend: 5/7/2025

Status: 5/23/2025-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/12/2025)(May be acted upon Jan 2026)

Location: 5/23/2025-S. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	2 year	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary: Would establish the Water Rate Assistance Program. As part of the program, the bill would establish the Water Rate Assistance Fund in the State Treasury, available upon appropriation by the Legislature, to provide water affordability assistance, for both residential water and wastewater services, to low-income residential ratepayers, as specified. The bill would require the state board to take various actions in administering the fund, including, among other things, tracking and managing revenue in the fund separately from all other revenue. The bill would require the State Water Resources Control Board, in consultation with relevant agencies and after a public hearing, to adopt guidelines for implementation of the program and to adopt an annual report to be posted on the state board's internet website identifying how the fund has performed, as specified. The bill would require the guidelines to include minimum requirements for eligible systems, including the ability to confirm eligibility for enrollment through a request for self-certification of eligibility under penalty of perjury. By expanding the crime of perjury, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. The bill would require the state board to take various actions in administering the program, including, but not limited to, providing guidance, oversight, and funding for low-income rate assistance for residential ratepayers of eligible systems. The bill would authorize the Attorney General, at the request of the state board, to bring an action in state court to restrain the use of any method, act, or practice in violation of these provisions, except as provided. The bill would make the implementation of all of these provisions contingent upon an appropriation by the Legislature.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
Crescenta Valley WD		Priority 1		
			ACWA - O/A	CMUA - Concerns

SB 430 (Cabaldon D) Local agencies: automated decision systems.

Current Text: Amended: 1/5/2026 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Introduced: 2/18/2025

Last Amend: 1/5/2026

Status: 1/8/2026-January 13 set for first hearing canceled at the request of author.

Location: 1/5/2026-S. JUD.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary: Current law establishes the Government Operations Agency (GovOps), and establishes within the agency the Department of Technology. Current law requires the Department of Technology to conduct, in coordination with other interagency bodies as it deems appropriate, a comprehensive inventory of all high-risk automated decision systems that have been proposed for use, development, or procurement by, or are being used, developed, or procured by, any state agency. Current law defines, for these purposes, an "automated decision system" as, among other things, a computational process that is used to assist or replace human discretionary decisionmaking and materially impacts natural persons. Current law authorizes local agencies, including cities and counties, to provide welfare, employment, and other public social services. Current law also authorizes the legislative body of any county or city, pursuant to specified procedures, to adopt ordinances that, among other things, regulate the use of buildings, structures, and land as between industry, business, residences, open space, and other purposes. This bill would impose certain restrictions on the use of an automated decision system by a local agency to confer supportive services, permits, or licenses, as specified. Among those restrictions, the bill would include a prohibition on using an output from the system as the sole basis for an adverse eligibility or benefit determination affecting a natural person, except as specified. The bill would require the local agency to verify the accuracy of the system's outputs and to promote nondiscrimination in its use, as specified. The bill would require the local agency's governing board to provide audits or other quality control review of the outputs, as specified, to assure acceptable accuracy.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
Crescenta Valley WD		Priority 1		

SB 599 (Caballero D) Atmospheric rivers: research: forecasting methods: experimental tools.

Current Text: Amended: 4/24/2025 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Introduced: 2/20/2025

Last Amend: 4/24/2025

Status: 9/11/2025-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(14). (Last location was INACTIVE FILE on 9/10/2025)(May be acted upon Jan 2026)

Location: 9/11/2025-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	2 year	Conf.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary: Current law establishes the Atmospheric Rivers Research and Forecast Improvement Program: Enabling Climate Adaptation Through Forecast-Informed Reservoir Operations and Hazard Resiliency (AR/FIRO) Program in the Department of Water Resources. Current law requires the department to operate reservoirs in a manner that improves flood protection, and to reoperate flood control and water storage facilities to capture water generated by atmospheric rivers. This bill would, for novel forecasting methods researched, developed, and implemented by the department, require the department to include the use of experimental tools that produce seasonal and subseasonal atmospheric river forecasts, as defined.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
Crescenta Valley WD		Priority 1		
			ACWA - F	

SB 601 (Allen D) Water: waste discharge.

Current Text: Amended: 7/10/2025 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Introduced: 2/20/2025

Last Amend: 7/10/2025

Status: 8/28/2025-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(11). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 8/20/2025)(May be acted upon Jan 2026)

Location: 8/28/2025-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	2 year	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary: The State Water Resources Control Board and the 9 California regional water quality control boards regulate water quality and prescribe waste discharge requirements in accordance with the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act (act) and the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit program. Under the act, the State Water Resources Control Board is authorized to adopt water quality control plans for waters for which quality standards are required by the federal Clean Water Act, as specified, and that in the event of a conflict, those plans supersede regional water quality control plans for the same waters. This bill would authorize the state board to adopt water quality control plans for nexus waters, which the bill would define as all waters of the state that are not also navigable, except as specified. The bill would require any water quality standard that was submitted to, and approved by, or is awaiting approval by, the United States Environmental Protection Agency or the state board that applied to nexus waters as of May 24, 2023, to remain in effect, as provided.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
Crescenta Valley WD		Priority 1	ACWA - O	CMUA - O

SB 832

(Allen D) Upper Los Angeles River and Tributaries Working Group: membership: revitalization plan.

Current Text: Amended: 1/5/2026 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Introduced: 2/21/2025

Last Amend: 1/5/2026

Status: 1/7/2026-Set for hearing January 13.

Location: 1/5/2026-S. N.R. & W.

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Summary: Current law establishes the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and prescribes the membership, functions, and duties of the conservancy regarding the acquisition, preservation, and improvement of real property within the Santa Monica Mountains Zone, as defined. Current law establishes within the conservancy the Upper Los Angeles River and Tributaries Working Group with designated membership of no more than 23 appointed representatives. Current law requires the working group to develop, through watershed-based planning methods and community engagement, a revitalization plan for the Upper Los Angeles River, the tributaries of the Pacoima Wash, Tujunga Wash, and Verdugo Wash, the Arroyo Seco, and any additional tributary waterway that the working group determines to be necessary. Current law requires the working group to submit the revitalization plan to the conservancy for adoption, and requires the conservancy to submit a copy of the revitalization plan to the Assembly Committee on Water, Parks, and Wildlife and the Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Water, as specified. This bill would add an additional member to the working group, for a total of no more than 24 appointed representatives. The bill would require one of the representatives appointed to the working group to represent the city council district within the City of Los Angeles with the greatest number of Upper Los Angeles River miles. The bill would require the working group to meet at least once each year to evaluate and report on implementation of the revitalization plan to the conservancy, and propose amendments to the revitalization plan to the conservancy for adoption.

Organization	Position	Priority	Misc1	Misc2
Crescenta Valley WD		Priority 1		

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