

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, July 28, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.

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Any person may make a request for a disability-related modification or accommodation needed for that person to be able to participate in the public meeting by contacting the District by phone or in writing at the above email address. Requests must specify the nature of the disability and the type of accommodation requested. A telephone number or other contact information should be included so that District staff may discuss appropriate arrangements. Persons requesting a disability-related accommodation should make the request with adequate time before the meeting for the District to provide the requested accommodation.

Any written materials distributed to the Board in connection with this agenda will be made available at the same time for public inspection at the District office located at the above address and posted on the District's website.

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 July 14, 2026.
2. Ratification of Disbursements for June 2026.

Action Calendar

1. **Engineering Services** – Consideration and motion to authorize the General Manager to execute a contract with Civiltec Engineering for engineering services in an amount not to exceed \$235,000.
2. **Adoption of Ordinance No. 100 – Prohibiting the Use of Potable Water for the Irrigation of Nonfunctional Turf Pursuant to California Water Code Section 10608.14 (AB 1572)** – Discussion and possible adoption of Ordinance No. 100, establishing regulations prohibiting the use of potable water to irrigate nonfunctional turf within the Crescenta Valley Water District service area in accordance with California Assembly Bill 1572 (AB 1572) and California Water Code Section 10608.14.
3. **Resolution 807 - Adopting Article 22 and Appendix U of the District's Rules and Regulations – Legislative Advocacy Policy** – Consideration and possible motion to adopt Resolution 807, adopting Article 22 and Appendix U of the District's Rules and Regulations – Legislative Advocacy Policy.
4. **First Amendment to General Manager Employment Agreement** – Consideration of a first amendment to the General Manager Employment Agreement between Crescenta Valley Water District and James Lee.

5. **Amendment of FY 2026-27 Pay Schedule for CalPERS Compliance** – Consideration and motion to adopt the amended pay schedule and direct staff to post on the District’s website as required by California Code of Regulations Section 570.5.

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**

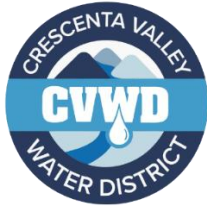
Directors’ Oral Reports – Reports on issues, meetings, or activities attended by Directors

Members’ Request for Future Agenda Items

Closed Session

1. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)
One (1) or More Potential Cases
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
3. Conference with Labor Negotiator pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
Agency Negotiator: General Manager
Employee Organization: Crescenta Valley Water District Management Unit
4. Conference with Labor Negotiator pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
Agency Negotiator: General Manager
Employee Organization: Crescenta Valley Water District Employee Association

Adjournment



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

July 14, 2026

Pursuant to the order of the Board of Directors of the Crescenta Valley Water District, a Regular Meeting was held on July 14, 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 (remote participation)
Jennifer T. Valdez**

Attorney:

Ryan Guiboa

General Manager:

James Lee

**Director of Engineering
and Operations:**

Carla Dillon

**Director of Finance and
Administration:**

Arturo Montes

Staff Members:

**Gabriel Gomez III, Assistant Director of Operations
Christina Kopelman, CIP Project Manager
Pam Leddy, Administrative Assistant
Arminé Sargsyan, Sr. Water Resources & Ext. Affairs
Specialist (remote participation)
Adam Sutphin, Senior Analyst**

Guests:

Michael Miller

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

Director Raghavachary notified the Board of the need to participate pursuant to the disability accommodation provisions of the Brown Act (Government Code § 54953(c)). Director Raghavachary disclosed that no other adults are present at her teleconferencing location.

Director Bodnar proposed that Action Item No. 4 (General Manager Employment Update) be omitted from the July 14, 2026 Board Meeting agenda.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

It was moved by Director Erickson, seconded by Director Valdez, and carried by a 5-0 roll-call vote that the Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting of July 14, 2026, be adopted with the omission of Action Item No. 4.

AYES: **Director Bodnar
Director Erickson
Director Johnson
Director Raghavachary
Director Valdez**

NOES: **None**

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Mr. Colcord shared appreciation for the hydrants painted by the Girl Scouts in conjunction with CVWD to commemorate the nation’s 250th anniversary.

FOOTHILL MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT REPORT – Mr. Colcord provided a presentation on the “Rate Breakdown for CVWD” which included CVWD’s estimated cost of purchasing imported water from FMWD and the FMWD historical budgeted cost to CVWD. Mr. Colcord included highlights of the FMWD 2026-2027 budget.

CONSENT CALENDAR – **It was moved by Director Erickson, seconded by Director Valdez, and carried by a 5-0 roll-call vote to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on June 23, 2026.**

AYES: **Director Bodnar
Director Erickson
Director Johnson
Director Raghavachary
Director Valdez**

NOES: **None**

ACTION CALENDAR

Contract Award, Progressive Design Build Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) & CEQA Exemption – Water Main Replacement on Foothill Blvd., Project E-100C – Mr. Lee stated that in November 2025, the Board authorized District staff to initiate contract negotiations with the highest-ranked progressive design-build (PDB) proposal, comprised of Sukut and West Coast Civil for pipeline replacement work along the Montrose Avenue and Foothill Boulevard segments. Mr. Lee stated that in late June 2026, District staff received the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) of \$6,124,030.00 for approximately 5,500 linear feet of 12-inch pipe. The proposed GMP exceeded the budget, and CVWD staff sought proposals from alternate contractors which were provided.

Following Discussion:

It was moved by Director Johnson, seconded by Director Raghavachary, and carried by a 5-0 roll call vote to authorize the General Manager to award a contract to W.A. Rasic Construction for \$2,985,364 for the project plus a 10% contingency (\$298,536.40), find said project exempt from the provisions of CEQA, exercise the off-ramp option and terminate contract with Sukut/West Coast, and waive the requirement for formal competitive bidding as outlined in CVWD's Rules and Regulations, Article 18.01.

AYES: Director Bodnar
Director Erickson
Director Johnson
Director Raghavachary
Director Valdez

NOES: None

Resolution 806 – Calling a General District Election for Elective Officers and Requesting the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors to Permit Consolidation of Election Services – Mr. Montes shared that the District's General Election for members of the Board of Directors is scheduled for November 3, 2026 and in accordance with California Elections Code Section 10403, the District may consolidate its elections with the statewide general election conducted by Los Angeles County. Mr. Montes stated that to consolidate the election, the Board must adopt a resolution requesting that the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors authorize the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk to conduct election services on behalf of the District.

Following discussion:

It was moved by Director Johnson, seconded by Director Valdez, and carried by a 5-0 roll-call vote to adopt Resolution No. 806 requesting the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors to permit the registrar-recorder/county clerk to render elections services for the District's election to be held November 3, 2026.

AYES: Director Bodnar
Director Erickson
Director Johnson
Director Raghavachary
Director Valdez

NOES: None

Public Opinion Research Survey – Mr. Lee stated that Probolsky Research conducted a community survey in March 2024, which yielded insights regarding affordability and the community's preference for partnering with non-profit organizations and capturing stormwater, among other insights. Mr. Lee stated that at that time the Board considered the idea of a follow-up survey within a 2–3-year timeframe to measure

impact with follow-up questions such as policy questions associated with PFAS and emergency management.

Following discussion:

It was moved by Director Erickson, seconded by Director Valdez, and carried by a 5-0 roll-call vote to approve the proposal to retain Probolsky Research for public opinion research survey in an amount not to exceed \$29,500 and to authorize the General Manager to execute the agreement.

AYES: **Director Bodnar
Director Erickson
Director Johnson
Director Raghavachary
Director Valdez**

NOES: **None**

Letter to Members of Congress and the Senate – Mr. Lee stated that the Board elected for the District not to participate in the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation’s (USBR) WaterSMART Drought Response Program based on application requirements. Mr. Lee provided a letter, which staff was directed to draft during the June 23, 2026 Board meeting for the Board to discuss and finalize. The Board directed staff to revise the letter by stating that Crescenta Valley Water District would not participate under the current application requirements but would encourage the Bureau and current administration to consider future revisions so that the District could participate.

Following discussion:

It was moved by Director Johnson, seconded by Director Raghavachary, and carried by a 5-0 roll-call vote to finalize the draft letter with the proposed edits for delivery to the District’s federal elected representatives for subsequent discussion.

AYES: **Director Bodnar
Director Erickson
Director Johnson
Director Raghavachary
Director Valdez**

NOES: **None**

INFORMATION ITEMS – “Celebrating 250 Years of Our Nation”, ACWA News “Crescenta Valley WD Celebrates with Fire Hydrant Art Project”, CV Weekly – dated July 2, 2026 “Girl Scouts Celebrate the Nation’s 250th Anniversary”, Lagerlof letter dated July 1, 2026 “Special Election Results; LAFCO Voting Member”.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATION – None.

GENERAL MANAGER – Mr. Sutphin provided highlights of the Customer Service and Finance and Administration reports for the month of June 2026. Ms. Dillon provided highlights of the June 2026 Engineering Report.

ATTORNEY REPORT – Mr. Guiboa reported on the upcoming compliance deadlines for the DOJ's accessibility to people with disabilities rules for 2027 and 2028. Mr. Guiboa stated that BBK will be hosting webinars on this topic.

7:50 pm The Zoom Teleconference was temporarily paused due to technical issues. The teleconference resumed at 7:55 pm.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

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

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

Engineering, Operations & Technology Committee – Director Erickson reported that the Committee had met on July 8, 2026. A meeting is scheduled for August 12, 2026.

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

Finance & Policy Committee – Director Johnson reported that the Committee had met on June 25, 2026. A meeting is scheduled for July 23, 2026.

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

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 Raghavachary reported that the Committee had not met; however, a meeting will be scheduled as needed.

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

DIRECTORS' ORAL REPORTS

Director Bodnar – No report.

Director Erickson – Reported that he will be on vacation for the July 28, 2026 Board meeting. Director Erickson announced that he has chosen not to run for re-election.

Director Johnson – No report.

Director Raghavachary – No report.

Director Valdez – Thanked the CVWD crew for their prompt response to a leak reported on her street. Director Valdez reported that she and her son attended the Girl Scout Hydrant painting event.

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 9:09 p.m., the meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED

James D. Bodnar
Board President

Arturo Montes
Board Secretary

CASH DISBURSEMENT LIST

June 2026



Check #	Check Date	Payable To	Description	Water Amount	Wasterwater Amount
0		ACC Ca Inc.	4 Super 10 Load	\$10,357.28	\$3,452.43
0		Adam Sutphin	Health Reimbursement FY25-26	\$637.50	\$212.50
0		AFLAC	June FY25-26	\$252.25	\$84.08
0		Anareli Murillo	Wellness FY25-26	\$248.82	\$82.94
0		Applied Technology Group, Inc.	Knt S-Ca #C2311314 06/01/26 To 06/30/26	\$22.50	\$7.50
0		ARC Document Solutions LLC	Color Bond Plot	\$113.87	\$37.96
0		Avetis Matsunyan	Boots Reimbursement	\$471.17	\$157.06
0		Bell Burnett & Associates	Analytic Support - May 2026	\$885.94	\$295.31
0		Best Best & Krieger	Legal May 2026 - General Counsel Services	\$20,754.81	\$6,918.27
0		Chawkins Communications Consulting, Inc.	Coaching Services 05/2026	\$918.75	\$306.25
0		Christina Kopelman	Health Reimbursement FY25-26	\$237.79	\$79.26
0		Clinical Laboratory Of San Bernardino, Inc.	Water Samples 05/26	\$10,455.00	\$3,485.00
0		Coastline Equipment Co.	Cleaned Rod Guide, New Seals	\$3,122.25	\$1,040.75
0		DIY Home Center	Building Materials	\$216.45	\$72.15
0		DM AI Agency	Calls Search Summary Generation	\$946.13	\$315.38
0		Dylan Kim	Wellness Reimbursement FY25-26	\$253.79	\$84.60
0		Elena Chamorro	Wellness Reimbursement FY25-26	\$1,095.59	\$365.20
0		Ferguson Enterprises, LLC	HD Deep Socket Kit, Pull Through Ratchet Set	\$1,171.19	\$390.40
0		GF Advocacy, LLC	Services 05/26	\$2,250.00	\$750.00
0		Highroad Information Technology	Monthly Billing For June	\$23,946.81	\$7,982.27
0		Home Depot Credit Services	Office Building Maintenance	\$333.02	\$111.01
0		IPaySmart Inc	Customer Payment Portal For 05/31/2026	\$5,825.01	\$1,941.67
0		Itron, Inc	Fcs Sftw 06/01/26-05/31/27	\$2,086.43	\$695.48
0		Kristian Delgado	Kristian Delgado Boots Reimbursement, Wellness Reimbursement FY25-26	\$455.55	\$151.85
0		Malbros Ready Mix Concrete LLC	1.5 Sack Sand Slurry	\$13,194.69	\$4,398.23
0		Mario Mejia	Wellness Reimbursement FY25-26	\$37.50	\$12.50
0		New Motion Wellness, LLC	CVWD Wellness Aug And Sept 2025	\$812.50	\$270.83
0		One Ring Networks, Inc.	Wireless Communication For 06/26	\$862.50	\$287.50
0		Peerless Materials Company	Straw Wattle Boom	\$389.51	\$129.84
0		Protech Lift	Replace Hydraulic Lift System, Hydraulic Lift Cylinder Outer Seal	\$2,710.89	\$903.63
0		Public Water Agencies Group	Emergency Preparedness Program June 2026	\$1,029.00	\$343.00
0		Red Wing Business Advantage	Work Boots	\$470.73	\$156.91
0		Regino Avalos	Tree Trimming Services For Various Locations 06/26	\$6,727.50	\$2,242.50
0		Shell Fleet Cards	Purchased Gas For 06/26	\$2,835.20	\$945.07
0		SkyIO	Support Services 2025-2026	\$1,200.00	\$400.00
0		So Cal Compton Pipe Supply Co., Inc.	Hydrant Bury 6" x 48" MJ	\$652.33	\$217.44
0		So Cal Pacific Electrical & Lighting	Installation Of Back-Up Power For Rut Cabimet	\$4,395.00	\$1,465.00
0		So Cal Turf & Tractor	Fuel System Labor	\$519.38	\$173.13
0		Southern California Edison Co.	SCE Utility Bill through 061626	\$34,127.84	\$11,375.95
0		Stemar Equipment & Supply Co.	Rental Floor Saw /Diamond Blade, Rental 60# Paving Breaker 77.00 Per Day	\$4,714.55	\$1,571.52
0		The Gas Company Socal Gas	Gas Glenwood 05/26	\$153.85	\$51.28
0		Trench Shoring Company	Rental Tren-Shore 70-106	\$7,453.34	\$2,484.45
0		Univar Solutions Usa Inc	Sod Hypo 12.5% Liqueichlor	\$15,019.32	\$5,006.44
0		Valley Truck And Van	Unit 79 - Headache Rack And Installation	\$9,128.12	\$3,042.71
0		Valve King Inc.	Hydrant Pressure Wash & Prime	\$1,188.00	\$396.00

0		Vanessa Lumley	Wellness Reimbursement FY25-26	\$1,343.63	\$447.88
0		VCF Auto Leasing Company	Volvo Ex90 Ultra 06/2026	\$712.50	\$237.50
0		Vertexone Software LLC	Services For 05/26	\$36.94	\$12.31
0		Vision Service Plan Co-(Ca)	Vision Insurance 06/26	\$357.00	\$119.00
0		Vulcan Materials Company	SE-30 Environmental Fee Ton -Agg & Asphalt	\$9,220.41	\$3,073.47
0		Western Water Works	Hydrant Break Off Guards, Ring Gasket 12 #150 Standard, Meter Sticks, Gate Valves	\$22,855.16	\$7,618.39
0		Zhikand Zhong	Wellness Reimbursement FY25-26	\$225.00	\$75.00
0		Zlatina Georgieva	Health Dental Vision Reimbursement	\$2,458.77	\$819.59
BMO - Employee Credit Cards					
0		Chamorro, Elena	Office Equipment For New Staff	\$555.11	\$185.04
0		Durose, Morgen	Office Supplies	\$351.49	
0		Gomez, Gabriel	Vehicle Maintenance, Work Lunch, Membership Fee, Office Supplies	\$3,316.07	\$1,105.36
0		Leddy, Pam	Board Meeting Dinners, Business Cards, Work Uniforms, Office Supplies, Postage	\$1,727.76	\$575.92
0		Lee, James	Conference, Team Building, Office Supplies, Business Meetings, Working Meals	\$3,232.21	\$1,077.40
0		Lumley, Vanessa	Travel Flight, Hotel, Vehicle Rental, Office Supplies	\$1,767.32	\$589.11
0		Montes, Arturo	Office Supplies, Employee Appreciation, Job Posting	\$1,018.72	\$339.57
0		Sargsyan, Armine	Membership Fees, Conference Flight, Office Supplies, Fire Hydrant Event	\$722.27	\$240.76
0		Telles, Darlene	Vehicle Maintenance, Water Certificate Fees, Office Supplies, Tools And Equipment	\$5,962.12	\$1,987.37
Accounts Payable					
0		Ace Hardware	Tools And Equipment	\$594.56	\$198.19
0		American Water Works	Certification Training Classes	\$83.25	\$27.75
0		AT&T	Wireless Communication For June 2026	\$1,516.15	\$505.38
0		Athens Services	Trash Services 06/26	\$482.91	\$160.97
0		Backgrounds Online	Background Checks For 06/26	\$22.88	\$7.63
0		Bill.Com	Online Accounts Payable Application For 06/26	\$517.50	\$172.50
0		Cintas	Uniform Cleaning Services For 06/26	\$2,751.98	\$917.33
0		Clark Pest Control	Pest Control Services For 06/26	\$112.50	\$37.50
0		Constant Contact	Customer Notification Services For 06/26	\$154.50	\$51.50
0		Costco	Office Supplies For Main Office And Plant For 06/26	\$537.32	\$179.11
0		Digalert	Underground Ticketing Services For 06/26	\$404.18	\$134.73
0		Eddie The Media Trainer	Media Training For Outreach	\$1,233.75	\$411.25
0		Epic La	Excavation Permits For 06/26	\$3,750.71	\$1,250.24
0		Glendale Water And Power	Purchased Power For 06/26	\$98.36	\$32.79
0		GoTo Phone	Phone Service For 06/26	\$988.26	\$329.42
0		Reverence Engineering	Flagpole Project	\$135.00	\$45.00
0		Metro Express	Metro Express Lane Charge	\$10.99	\$3.66
0		Microsoft	Employment Portal Application For 06/26	\$67.72	\$22.57
0		Panera Bread	All Hands Breakfast	\$235.50	\$78.50
0		Spectrum	Wireless Communication For 06/26	\$1,347.49	\$449.16
0		Tmobile	Wireless Communication For 06/26	\$385.76	\$128.59
0		United Concordia	Dental Coverage For 06/26	\$5,098.79	\$1,699.60
0		USPS	Postage	\$484.10	\$161.37
0		Zoom.Com	Online Telecommunication Services For 06/26	\$50.93	\$16.98
50518	6/3/2026	Armine Sargsyan	Mileage May 2026	\$169.33	\$56.44
50519	6/3/2026	MCC Equipment Rentals, Inc	10x8 Steel Plates	\$19,300.00	
50520	6/4/2026	Airgas Usa, LLC	Rent Cyl Ind Large Acetylene/Argon	\$37.82	\$12.60
50521	6/4/2026	American Reclamation Inc	Trash Services 06/26	\$168.81	\$56.27
50522	6/4/2026	Core & Main	Meter Maintenance	\$185.05	
50523	6/4/2026	D&H Water Systems	Add On Module M25 Cpl	\$266.92	
50524	6/4/2026	Dunn-Edwards Paint Corporation	Aristoshield Int/Ext Sg L Base	\$99.75	\$33.25
50525	6/4/2026	Sergei Khachatryan	Refund Check 036782-000, 3456 Altura	\$64.74	
50526	6/4/2026	Jerry Sommerville	Refund Check 036111-000, 3216 Prospect	\$16.22	
50527	6/4/2026	Wells Tapping Services, Inc.	8" Hot Tap (Steel) Travel	\$725.00	
50528	6/12/2026	ARC Document Solutions LLC	Color Bond Plot	\$215.97	\$71.99
50529	6/12/2026	DZM Cleaning Concepts	Cleaning Service - June 2026	\$646.50	\$215.50
50530	6/12/2026	California Utilities Emergency Association	26/27 Annual Membership Dues	\$637.50	\$212.50

50531	6/12/2026	Charter Communications	Wireless Communication 05/23/26 Through 06/22/26	\$102.59	\$34.19
50532	6/12/2026	Cintas	Medical Supplies	\$169.94	\$56.64
50533	6/12/2026	Paul Costa	Refund Check 036969-000, 3153 Orange	\$22.89	
50534	6/12/2026	Crescenta Valley Publishing LLC	CV Weekly 1/2 Page Ad On 5/14/26, 4/21/26	\$1,540.00	
50535	6/12/2026	Emergency Rooter Svcs, Inc.	Dug Out Section Of Pipe To Cut Back To Add Couplings.		\$2,310.00
50536	6/12/2026	FLO Analytics	GIS Technical Assistance 05/26	\$6,375.00	\$2,125.00
50537	6/12/2026	Great America Leasing Corp.	Printer Lease For Period 06/20/26-07/19/26	\$2,857.94	\$952.65
50539	6/12/2026	John Robinson Consulting, Inc.	Professional Consulting For 05/26 - 06/26	\$5,107.50	
50540	6/12/2026	Natalia Kim	Refund Check 032813-000, 3149 El Caminito	\$42.51	
50541	6/12/2026	Dennis Nguyen	Health Reimbursement FY25-26	\$517.20	\$172.40
50542	6/12/2026	O'reilly Auto Parts	Hose Clamps	\$95.72	\$31.90
50543	6/12/2026	Paper Cuts, Inc	May Services & June Storage	\$7.50	\$2.50
50544	6/12/2026	PDQ Equipment Rental Center	Rental Roller 1.5-3 Ton Riding Sakai	\$3,317.50	
50545	6/12/2026	Pep Boys, Fleet Services	Vehicle Maintenance For Unit 64	\$939.59	\$313.19
50546	6/12/2026	Ruben Hernandez	Reimbursement For Class A DI	\$1,425.00	\$475.00
50547	6/12/2026	Sukut Construction LLC	Professional Services For E-1100b Through 4/30/26	\$268,400.00	
50548	6/12/2026	United Rentals	Rental Truck Dump 5 Yard Non Cdl Gas	\$2,720.70	
50549	6/12/2026	W.A. Rasic	R&R Motor 3135 Markridge Rd., Water Main Leak Repair Foothill & Ocean View, Brine Line Repair La Crescenta & Sycamore	\$78,085.17	\$6,689.57
50550	6/12/2026	Water Resources Economics	CVWD Article On Pipeline Replacement	\$100.00	
50551	6/12/2026	West & Associates Engineering, Inc.	2025 Uwmp. Part 1 - Task 4; Part 3: Task 1-2; Part 4: Tasks 2-3;	\$7,004.00	
50552	6/12/2026	Hach Company	Dpd Chlorine Dispenser Refill	\$1,372.06	
50553	6/18/2026	AALRR	Legal 03/2026	\$22,263.27	\$7,421.08
50554	6/18/2026	AT&T	Phone Service 05/26	\$1,001.97	\$333.99
50555	6/18/2026	Bowman Material Transport Inc	Teasley, Service Leaks	\$18,285.00	
50556	6/18/2026	Cintas	Medical Supplies	\$173.78	\$57.92
50557	6/18/2026	DMV Renewal	Vehicle Registration	\$7.50	\$2.50
50558	6/18/2026	Grainger	Coated Gloves - Large And Xlarge	\$433.56	
50559	6/18/2026	Infosend, Inc.	Services 05/26	\$5,537.38	\$1,845.79
50560	6/18/2026	Jason Kim	Refund Check 037152-000, 4358 #D Ocean View	\$34.58	
50561	6/18/2026	Ryan Mayta	Refund Check 036678-000, 2850 Mary	\$43.34	
50562	6/18/2026	Agile Occupational Medicine, PC	Medical Services Up To 05/27/26	\$435.00	\$145.00
50563	6/18/2026	Quinn Abbene	Reimbursement For Collections System Exam Fee		\$225.00
50565	6/18/2026	Rachel Roberg	Refund Check 036254-000, 2717 Mary	\$10.58	
50566	6/18/2026	Southern California Water Coalition	SCWC Annual Membership CY2026 Jul-Dec, SCWC Qtly Lunch Sponsorship January 2026	\$7,500.00	
50567	6/18/2026	Stephen Doreck Equipment Rentals, Inc.	Project: 2319 Jayma Lane And 3261 Altura Avenue	\$11,913.72	
50568	6/18/2026	Sukut Construction LLC	SE Cost Model Basis 90% Plans	\$213,384.00	
50569	6/18/2026	Darlene Telles	Health Reimbursement FY25-26	\$1,643.96	\$547.98
50570	6/18/2026	Ultra Welding, Inc.	Welding For Teasley	\$2,310.00	
50571	6/18/2026	United Rentals	Rental Skid Steer Track Loader And Bucket	\$1,351.91	
50572	6/18/2026	Valley Truck And Van	Tool Boxes Unit #77	\$2,485.78	
50573	6/18/2026	Reliable Road Service, Inc.	Unit #2 - Carb Test	\$2,518.41	
50574	6/26/2026	Ads, LLC	Ads Monthly Invoice: 05-01-2026 To 05-31-2026		\$1,259.40
50575	6/26/2026	Maritess Allmon	Wellness Reimbursement FY25-26	\$26.45	\$8.81
50576	6/26/2026	Armine Sargsyan	Wellness Reimbursement FY-25-26	\$37.50	\$12.50
50577	6/26/2026	AT&T Mobility	Phone Services 06/26	\$197.61	\$65.87
50578	6/26/2026	Wayne Boyce	Wellness Reimbursement FY25-26	\$345.50	
50579	6/26/2026	CCS Interactive, Inc.	Website Hosting Jun 2026	\$3,742.50	\$1,247.50
50580	6/26/2026	City Of Glendale	Water Usage Rockhaven 05/26	\$15,279.57	
50581	6/26/2026	Clark Pest Control, Inc.	Pest Services Well 16 06/26	\$372.75	\$124.25
50582	6/26/2026	Dion & Sons, Inc	Diesel Fuel - April, May, June 2026	\$1,919.93	\$639.98
50583	6/26/2026	Douglass Truck Bodies, Inc	C-1120 Welding Truck	\$34,010.57	
50584	6/26/2026	Foothill Municipal Water	Add'l Fees Per City Of Glendale's Revised Invoice For April 2026	\$305,951.76	
50585	6/26/2026	Grainger	Cooling Sleeve Wet Evaporative Cooling	\$294.11	\$98.04
50586	6/26/2026	LA Dept Water And Power	Purchased Power For 06/26	\$37.39	\$12.46
50587	6/26/2026	City Of Los Angeles La Sanitation, Fmd	O&M Portion Of Assc 208/50/439301		\$646,170.00

50588	6/26/2026	Pam Leddy	Wellness Reimbursement FY25-26	\$232.00	\$77.34
50589	6/26/2026	O'reilly Auto Parts	Paper Towels, Steering Wheel Cover, And Sunshade	\$40.31	\$13.43
50590	6/26/2026	PDQ Equipment Rental Center	Rental Roller 1.5-3 Ton Riding Sakai	\$2,932.50	
50591	6/26/2026	Quinn Abbene	Cert Bonus For Collections System		\$400.00
50592	6/26/2026	David Rawlings	Wellness Reimbursement	\$350.00	
50593	6/26/2026	Rubio Canon Land And Water Assoc.	Safety Training Trenching And Excavation 5.4.26	\$135.00	\$45.00
50594	6/26/2026	Southwest Hydrotech	Pump Maintenance @ Edmond And Rosemont Reservoir	\$7,081.01	
50595	6/26/2026	W.A. Rasic	Dispose Of 6" Acp	\$3,813.45	
50596	6/26/2026	Wells Tapping Services, Inc.	6x6 Hot Tap (Steel) D-job D-25-141	\$825.00	
50597	6/26/2026	West & Associates Engineering, Inc.	Professional Consulting For The 2025 Annual Water Supply And Demand Assessment	\$1,400.00	
50602	6/30/2026	AALRR	Professional Legal Services For 05/2026	\$8,103.40	\$2,701.13
50603	6/30/2026	Maritess Allmon	Wellness Reimbursement FY25-26	\$236.06	\$78.68
50604	6/30/2026	Impact La LLC	Office Copier Qrtly Fees For 3/20/2026 to 6/19/2026	\$408.86	\$136.28
50605	6/30/2026	Los Angeles County Public Works	Excavation Permit For 2701 Henrietta Ave	\$1,580.70	
50606	6/30/2026	MCC Equipment Rentals, Inc	Rental Excavator And Skid Steer With Bucket	\$14,184.00	
50607	6/30/2026	O'reilly Auto Parts	Vehicle Maintenance For Unit 64	\$6.43	\$2.15
50608	6/30/2026	United Rentals	Truck Dump 5 Yard Non Cdl Gas	\$2,342.07	
50609	6/30/2026	W.A. Rasic	Install 2-1" Short Side Services At 3025 Ashwin	\$9,681.73	

Subtoals	\$	1,381,245.54	\$	767,912.31
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Total Disbursements for June 2026	\$2,149,157.85
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Payroll Report

Directors	4,125.00
Office Regular Payroll	153,265.00
Office OT	2,881.00
Plant Regular Payroll	117,343.00
Plant OT	4,575.00
Plant Standby	7,074.00
Employer Payroll Taxes	31,346.00
Payroll Service Charges	1,052.00
Total Payroll for June 2026	\$321,661.00

CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS - STAFF REPORT

Action Item No. 1
July 28, 2026

To: Honorable President and Members of the Board of Directors
From: Carla Dillon – Director of Engineering & Operations
Subject: **Authorization for Engineering Design Services**

ACTION ITEM:

Consideration and motion to authorize the General Manager to execute a contract with Civiltec Engineering for engineering services in an amount not to exceed \$235,000.

BACKGROUND:

The District is seeking services to complete designs for pipeline and a vault relocation. The designs include pipeline replacement for seven streets and a total of 4,456 feet. The vault relocation has been a known modification required to enable the City of La Cañada Flintridge to make a curb ramp ADA compliant. The District will coordinate this design and construction with LCF and La Cañada Irrigation District, who also has infrastructure in the vicinity.

DISCUSSION:

Having designs prepared will enable the District to construct in-house pipeline replacement projects following completion of the design work. The scope includes design, a Division of Drinking Water (DDW) waiver if needed, traffic control plans if needed for permitting, and as-built drawings.

The District has received a preliminary estimate from one firm that requires modifications to the scope. Staff is seeking two additional proposals and will proceed with award to the lowest cost proposer. Staff is seeking authorization in advance so the work can proceed expeditiously.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Board authorize the General Manager to execute a contract with Civiltec Engineering for engineering services in an amount not to exceed \$235,000.

Prepared and Submitted by:

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Carla Dillon, P.E.
Director of Engineering & Operations

CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS - STAFF REPORT

Action Item No. 2
July 28, 2026

To: Honorable President and Members of the Board of Directors
From: Carla Dillon – Director of Engineering & Operations
Subject: **Adoption of Ordinance No. 100 – Prohibiting the Use of Potable Water for the Irrigation of Nonfunctional Turf Pursuant to California Water Code Section 10608.14 (AB 1572)**

ACTION ITEM:

Discussion and possible adoption of Ordinance No. 100, establishing regulations prohibiting the use of potable water to irrigate nonfunctional turf within the Crescenta Valley Water District service area in accordance with California Assembly Bill 1572 (AB 1572) and California Water Code Section 10608.14.

BACKGROUND:

In September 2023, Governor Gavin Newsom signed AB 1572, codified as California Water Code Section 10608.14, requiring all urban retail water suppliers to adopt and enforce regulations prohibiting the use of potable water for the irrigation of nonfunctional turf located on specified properties.

The legislation is part of California's long-term strategy to improve water-use efficiency, reduce unnecessary potable water consumption, and increase drought resilience. Unlike previous drought emergency regulations, AB 1572 establishes permanent statewide water conservation requirements.

The law establishes compliance deadlines for various property types:

Property Type	Compliance Date
Local government, public agency, and District-owned properties	January 1, 2027
Commercial, industrial, and institutional (CII) properties	January 1, 2028
Homeowners' associations (HOAs), common interest developments, and community service organization common areas	January 1, 2029

The State Water Resources Control Board is responsible for overseeing statewide implementation, while urban retail water suppliers are required to adopt local ordinances and administer enforcement within their service areas.

DISCUSSION:

To comply with California Water Code Section 10608.14, staff has prepared Ordinance No. 100 establishing the District's requirements regarding the irrigation of nonfunctional turf using potable water. The proposed ordinance:

1. Defines functional turf, nonfunctional turf, and potable water consistent with State regulation.

2. Prohibits the irrigation of nonfunctional turf using potable water according to the compliance schedule established by AB 1572.
3. Recognizes the mandatory statutory exceptions allowing potable water use when necessary to:
 - o Protect the health of trees and other perennial landscaping.
 - o Address immediate health and safety needs.
4. References the State Water Resources Control Board's certification requirements for qualifying commercial, industrial, institutional, and HOA properties.
5. Establishes a District enforcement program that emphasizes:
 - o Customer education;
 - o Technical assistance;
 - o Voluntary compliance;
 - o Reasonable opportunities to correct violations; and
 - o Cooperation with customers before monetary penalties are considered.

The proposed enforcement process is intended to work collaboratively with customers while ensuring compliance with State regulations. Customers demonstrating good-faith efforts toward compliance, may receive reasonable time to complete corrective actions before administrative penalties are imposed.

Should voluntary compliance not be achieved, the ordinance authorizes the District to issue Notices of Violation and administrative penalties as follows:

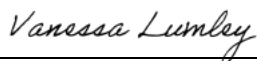
- First Violation: Written warning and educational materials.
- Second Violation: Administrative penalty not to exceed \$250.
- Third Violation: Administrative penalty not to exceed \$500.
- Fourth and Subsequent Violations: Administrative penalty not to exceed \$1,000 per violation, or the maximum amount authorized by law.

The ordinance also provides customers with administrative appeal rights and preserves the authority of the State Water Resources Control Board to enforce California Water Code Section 10608.14 independently.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Board adopt Ordinance No. 100, establishing regulations prohibiting the use of potable water to irrigate nonfunctional turf within the Crescenta Valley Water District service area in accordance with California Assembly Bill 1572 (AB 1572) and California Water Code Section 10608.14, effective upon adoption.

Prepared by:



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Submitted by:



Carla Dillon, P.E.
Director of Engineering & Operations

Attachment(s):

1. California Water Code Section 10608.14 (AB 1572)
2. Ordinance draft - Prohibiting the Use of Potable Water for the Irrigation of Nonfunctional Turf

Assembly Bill No. 1572

CHAPTER 849

An act to amend Sections 10540, 10608.12, and 10608.22 of, to add Section 110 to, and to add Chapter 2.5 (commencing with Section 10608.14) to Part 2.55 of Division 6 of, the Water Code, relating to water.

[Approved by Governor October 13, 2023. Filed with Secretary
of State October 13, 2023.]

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1572, Friedman. Potable water: nonfunctional turf.

(1) Existing law establishes various state water policies, including the policy that the use of water for domestic purposes is the highest use of water.

This bill would make legislative findings and declarations concerning water use, including that the use of potable water to irrigate nonfunctional turf is wasteful and incompatible with state policy relating to climate change, water conservation, and reduced reliance on the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta ecosystem. The bill would direct all appropriate state agencies to encourage and support the elimination of irrigation of nonfunctional turf with potable water.

(2) Existing law, the Integrated Regional Water Management Planning Act, authorizes a regional water management group to prepare and adopt an integrated regional water management plan in accordance with specified requirements, including, among other things, the identification and consideration of the water-related needs of disadvantaged communities in the area within the boundaries of the plan.

This bill would additionally require an integrated regional water management plan to address the identification and consideration of the water-related needs of owners and occupants of affordable housing, including the removal and replacement of nonfunctional turf.

(3) Existing law provides various findings and declarations of the Legislature related to sustainable water use and demand reduction. Existing law imposes various water use reduction requirements that apply to urban retail water suppliers, including a requirement that the state achieve a 20% reduction in urban per capita water use by December 31, 2020.

This bill would prohibit the use of potable water, as defined, for the irrigation of nonfunctional turf located on commercial, industrial, and institutional properties, other than a cemetery, and on properties of homeowners' associations, common interest developments, and community service organizations or similar entities, as specified. The bill would authorize the State Water Resources Control Board to create a form for compliance certification and would require owners of covered properties to certify their compliance, as specified. The bill would authorize a public

water system, city, county, or city and county to enforce these provisions, as specified. The bill would require the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development to support small and minority-owned businesses that provide services that advance compliance with these provisions.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 110 is added to the Water Code, to read:

110. (a) The Legislature hereby finds and declares all of the following:

(1) The use of potable water to irrigate nonfunctional turf is wasteful and incompatible with state policy relating to climate change, water conservation, and reduced reliance on the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta ecosystem.

(2) The Governor reported in August 2022 that climate change will bring significant enduring reductions in California's water supply and that the state must take steps to respond to this reality.

(3) The State of Nevada enacted AB 356 in 2021 to prohibit the use of Colorado River water to irrigate nonfunctional turf on all properties except single-family residences by January 1, 2027.

(b) It is the intent of the Legislature that the irrigation of grasses for agricultural production shall not be limited by requirements to eliminate the use of potable water to irrigate nonfunctional turf.

(c) The Legislature hereby directs all appropriate state agencies to encourage and support the elimination of irrigation of nonfunctional turf with potable water.

SEC. 2. Section 10540 of the Water Code is amended to read:

10540. (a) A regional water management group may prepare and adopt an integrated regional water management plan in accordance with this part.

(b) A regional water management group may coordinate its planning activities to address or incorporate all or part of any of the following actions of its members into its plan:

(1) Groundwater management planning pursuant to Part 2.75 (commencing with Section 10750), groundwater sustainability planning pursuant to Part 2.74 (commencing with Section 10720), or other specific groundwater management authority.

(2) Urban water management planning pursuant to Part 2.6 (commencing with Section 10610).

(3) The preparation of a water supply assessment required pursuant to Part 2.10 (commencing with Section 10910).

(4) Agricultural water management planning pursuant to Part 2.8 (commencing with Section 10800).

(5) City and county general planning pursuant to Section 65350 of the Government Code.

(6) Stormwater resource planning that is undertaken pursuant to Part 2.3 (commencing with Section 10560).

(7) Other water resource management planning, including flood protection, watershed management planning, and multipurpose program planning.

(c) At a minimum, all plans shall address all of the following:

(1) Protection and improvement of water supply reliability, including identification of feasible agricultural and urban water use efficiency strategies.

(2) Identification and consideration of the drinking water quality of communities within the area of the plan.

(3) Protection and improvement of water quality within the area of the plan, consistent with the relevant basin plan.

(4) Identification of any significant threats to groundwater resources from overdrafting.

(5) Protection, restoration, and improvement of stewardship of aquatic, riparian, and watershed resources within the region.

(6) Protection of groundwater resources from contamination.

(7) Identification and consideration of the water-related needs of disadvantaged communities and owners and occupants of affordable housing, including the removal and replacement of nonfunctional turf, as defined in Section 10608.12, in the area within the boundaries of the plan.

(d) This section does not obligate a local agency to fund the implementation of any project or program.

SEC. 3. Section 10608.12 of the Water Code is amended to read:

10608.12. Unless the context otherwise requires, the following definitions govern the construction of this part:

(a) “Affordable housing” has the same meaning as defined in Section 34191.30 of the Health and Safety Code.

(b) “Agricultural water supplier” means a water supplier, either publicly or privately owned, providing water to 10,000 or more irrigated acres, excluding recycled water. “Agricultural water supplier” includes a supplier or contractor for water, regardless of the basis of right, that distributes or sells water for ultimate resale to customers. “Agricultural water supplier” does not include the department.

(c) “Base daily per capita water use” means any of the following:

(1) The urban retail water supplier’s estimate of its average gross water use, reported in gallons per capita per day and calculated over a continuous 10-year period ending no earlier than December 31, 2004, and no later than December 31, 2010.

(2) For an urban retail water supplier that meets at least 10 percent of its 2008 measured retail water demand through recycled water that is delivered within the service area of an urban retail water supplier or its urban wholesale water supplier, the urban retail water supplier may extend the calculation described in paragraph (1) up to an additional five years to a maximum of a continuous 15-year period ending no earlier than December 31, 2004, and no later than December 31, 2010.

(3) For the purposes of Section 10608.22, the urban retail water supplier’s estimate of its average gross water use, reported in gallons per capita per

day and calculated over a continuous five-year period ending no earlier than December 31, 2007, and no later than December 31, 2010.

(d) “Baseline commercial, industrial, and institutional water use” means an urban retail water supplier’s base daily per capita water use for commercial, industrial, and institutional users.

(e) “CII water use” means water used by commercial water users, industrial water users, institutional water users, and large landscape water users.

(f) “Commercial water user” means a water user that provides or distributes a product or service.

(g) “Common area” means that portion of a common interest development or of a property owned or managed by a homeowners’ association or a community service organization or similar entity that is not assigned or allocated to the exclusive use of the occupants of an individual dwelling unit within the property.

(h) “Common interest development” has the same meaning as in Section 4100 of the Civil Code.

(i) “Community service organization or similar entity” has the same meaning as in Section 4110 of the Civil Code.

(j) “Community space” means an area designated by a property owner or a governmental agency to accommodate human foot traffic for civic, ceremonial, or other community events or social gatherings.

(k) “Compliance daily per capita water use” means the gross water use during the final year of the reporting period, reported in gallons per capita per day.

(l) “Disadvantaged community” means a community with an annual median household income that is less than 80 percent of the statewide annual median household income.

(m) “Functional turf” means a ground cover surface of turf located in a recreational use area or community space. Turf enclosed by fencing or other barriers to permanently preclude human access for recreation or assembly is not functional turf.

(n) “Gross water use” means the total volume of water, whether treated or untreated, entering the distribution system of an urban retail water supplier, excluding all of the following:

(1) Recycled water that is delivered within the service area of an urban retail water supplier or its urban wholesale water supplier.

(2) The net volume of water that the urban retail water supplier places into long-term storage.

(3) The volume of water the urban retail water supplier conveys for use by another urban water supplier.

(4) The volume of water delivered for agricultural use, except as otherwise provided in subdivision (f) of Section 10608.24.

(o) “Homeowners’ association” means an “association” as defined in Section 4080 of the Civil Code.

(p) “Industrial water user” means a water user that is primarily a manufacturer or processor of materials as defined by the North American

Industry Classification System code sectors 31 to 33, inclusive, or an entity that is a water user primarily engaged in research and development.

(q) “Institutional water user” means a water user dedicated to public service. This type of user includes, among other users, higher education institutions, schools, courts, churches, hospitals, government facilities, and nonprofit research institutions.

(r) “Interim urban water use target” means the midpoint between the urban retail water supplier’s base daily per capita water use and the urban retail water supplier’s urban water use target for 2020.

(s) “Large landscape” means a nonresidential landscape as described in the performance measures for CII water use adopted pursuant to Section 10609.10.

(t) “Locally cost effective” means that the present value of the local benefits of implementing an agricultural efficiency water management practice is greater than or equal to the present value of the local cost of implementing that measure.

(u) “Nonfunctional turf” means any turf that is not functional turf, and includes turf located within street rights-of-way and parking lots.

(v) “Performance measures” means actions to be taken by urban retail water suppliers that will result in increased water use efficiency by CII water users. Performance measures may include, but are not limited to, educating CII water users on best management practices, conducting water use audits, and preparing water management plans. Performance measures do not include process water.

(w) “Potable reuse” means direct potable reuse, indirect potable reuse for groundwater recharge, and reservoir water augmentation as those terms are defined in Section 13561.

(x) “Potable water” means water that is suitable for human consumption.

(y) “Process water” means water used by industrial water users for producing a product or product content or water used for research and development. Process water includes, but is not limited to, continuous manufacturing processes, and water used for testing, cleaning, and maintaining equipment. Water used to cool machinery or buildings used in the manufacturing process or necessary to maintain product quality or chemical characteristics for product manufacturing or control rooms, data centers, laboratories, clean rooms, and other industrial facility units that are integral to the manufacturing or research and development process is process water. Water used in the manufacturing process that is necessary for complying with local, state, and federal health and safety laws, and is not incidental water, is process water. Process water does not mean incidental water uses.

(z) “Public water system” has the same meaning as defined in Section 116275 of the Health and Safety Code.

(aa) “Recreational use area” means an area designated by a property owner or a governmental agency to accommodate human foot traffic for recreation, including, but not limited to, sports fields, golf courses,

playgrounds, picnic grounds, or pet exercise areas. This recreation may be either formal or informal.

(ab) "Recycled water" means recycled water, as defined in subdivision (n) of Section 13050.

(ac) "Regional water resources management" means sources of supply resulting from watershed-based planning for sustainable local water reliability or any of the following alternative sources of water:

- (1) The capture and reuse of stormwater or rainwater.
- (2) The use of recycled water.
- (3) The desalination of brackish groundwater.
- (4) The conjunctive use of surface water and groundwater in a manner that is consistent with the safe yield of the groundwater basin.

(ad) "Reporting period" means the years for which an urban retail water supplier reports compliance with the urban water use targets.

(ae) "Turf" has the same meaning as defined in Section 491 of Title 23 of the California Code of Regulations.

(af) "Urban retail water supplier" means a water supplier, either publicly or privately owned, that directly provides potable municipal water to more than 3,000 end users or that supplies more than 3,000 acre-feet of potable water annually at retail for municipal purposes.

(ag) "Urban water supplier" has the same meaning as defined in Section 10617.

(ah) "Urban water use objective" means an estimate of aggregate efficient water use for the previous year based on adopted water use efficiency standards and local service area characteristics for that year, as described in Section 10609.20.

(ai) "Urban water use target" means the urban retail water supplier's targeted future daily per capita water use.

(aj) "Urban wholesale water supplier" means a water supplier, either publicly or privately owned, that provides more than 3,000 acre-feet of water annually at wholesale for potable municipal purposes.

SEC. 4. Chapter 2.5 (commencing with Section 10608.14) is added to Part 2.55 of Division 6 of the Water Code, to read:

CHAPTER 2.5. NONFUNCTIONAL TURF

10608.14. (a) The use of potable water for the irrigation of nonfunctional turf located on commercial, industrial, and institutional properties, other than a cemetery, and on properties of homeowners' associations, common interest developments, and community service organizations or similar entities is prohibited as of the following dates:

(1) All properties owned by the Department of General Services, beginning January 1, 2027.

(2) All properties owned by local governments, local or regional public agencies, and public water systems, except those specified in paragraph (5), beginning January 1, 2027.

(3) All other institutional properties and all commercial and industrial properties, beginning January 1, 2028.

(4) All common areas of properties of homeowners' associations, common interest developments, and community service organizations or similar entities, beginning January 1, 2029.

(5) All properties owned by local governments, local public agencies, and public water systems in a disadvantaged community, beginning January 1, 2031, or the date upon which a state funding source is made available to fund conversion of nonfunctional turf on these properties to climate-appropriate landscapes, whichever is later.

(b) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), the use of potable water is not prohibited by this section to the extent necessary to ensure the health of trees and other perennial nonturf plantings, or to the extent necessary to address an immediate health and safety need.

(c) The board may, upon a showing of good cause for reasons including economic hardship, critical business need, and potential impacts to human health or safety, postpone a compliance deadline in subdivision (a) by up to three years for certain persons, institutions, and businesses, and may create a form to be used for compliance certification to the board by property owners.

(d) Public water systems shall, by no later than January 1, 2027, revise their regulations, ordinances, or policies governing water service to include the requirements of subdivisions (a) and (b), as revised by the board pursuant to subdivision (c), and shall communicate the requirements to their customers on or before that date.

(e) (1) An owner of commercial, industrial, or institutional property with more than 5,000 square feet of irrigated area other than a cemetery shall certify to the board, commencing June 30, 2030, and every three years thereafter through 2039, that their property is in compliance with the requirements of this chapter.

(2) An owner of a property with more than 5,000 square feet of irrigated common area that is a homeowners' association, common interest development, or community service organization or similar entity shall certify to the board, commencing June 30, 2031, and every three years thereafter through 2040, that their property is in compliance with the requirements of this chapter.

(f) Noncompliance by a person or entity with this chapter or regulations adopted thereunder shall be subject to civil liability and penalties set forth in Section 1846, or to civil liability and penalties imposed by an urban retail water supplier pursuant to a locally adopted ordinance or policy.

(g) (1) A public water system, city, county, or city and county may enforce the provisions of this chapter.

(2) To avoid duplication of enforcement, any entity identified in paragraph (1) that is not a retail public water system shall notify the retail public water system 30 days prior to enforcement of the provisions of this chapter against a property served by such system.

(3) Nothing in paragraph (2) shall preclude enforcement by any entity identified in paragraph (1) once adequate notice is given.

(h) The department shall, when using funds appropriated for water conservation for turf replacement, prioritize financial assistance for nonfunctional turf replacement to public water systems serving disadvantaged communities and to owners of affordable housing.

(i) The department shall utilize the saveourwater.com internet website and outreach campaign to provide information and resources on converting nonfunctional turf to native vegetation.

(j) The Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development shall support small and minority-owned businesses that provide services that advance compliance with this chapter.

SEC. 5. Section 10608.22 of the Water Code is amended to read:

10608.22. Notwithstanding the method adopted by an urban retail water supplier pursuant to Section 10608.20, an urban retail water supplier's per capita daily water use reduction shall be no less than 5 percent of base daily per capita water use as defined in paragraph (3) of subdivision (c) of Section 10608.12. This section does not apply to an urban retail water supplier with a base daily per capita water use at or below 100 gallons per capita per day.

ORDINANCE NO. C

AN ORDINANCE OF CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT PROHIBITING THE USE OF POTABLE WATER FOR THE IRRIGATION OF NONFUNCTIONAL TURF

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the State of California has determined that the use of potable water to irrigate nonfunctional turf is wasteful and incompatible with state policies regarding climate change and water conservation; and

WHEREAS, Water Code Section 10608.14 requires public water systems to revise their regulations to prohibit such use;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Crescenta Valley Water District does ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. Definitions

For the purposes of this ordinance, the following definitions apply:

- "Nonfunctional Turf" means any turf that is not functional turf, and includes turf located within street rights-of-way and parking lots.
- "Functional Turf" means a ground cover surface of turf located in a recreational use area (e.g., sports fields, playgrounds) or community space designated for civic or social gatherings. Turf enclosed by barriers to permanently preclude human access is not functional turf.
- "Potable Water" means water that is suitable for human consumption.

SECTION 2. Prohibitions And Compliance Deadlines

The use of potable water for the irrigation of non-functional turf is prohibited on the following properties within the District's service area, starting on the dates specified:

1. District and Local Government Properties: All properties owned by the District, local governments, or regional public agencies: January 1, 2027.
2. Commercial, Industrial, and Institutional Properties: All other institutional, commercial, and industrial properties (excluding cemeteries): January 1, 2028.
3. Common Areas: All common areas of homeowners' associations (HOAs), common interest developments, and community service organizations: January 1, 2029.

SECTION 3. Mandatory Exceptions

Notwithstanding Section 2, the use of potable water is permitted to the extent necessary to:

- Ensure the health of trees and other perennial non-turf plantings.
- Address an immediate health and safety need.

SECTION 4. Compliance Certification

Owners of covered properties must certify compliance with the State Water Resources Control Board according to the following schedule:

- **CII Properties:** Owners of commercial, industrial, or institutional properties with >5,000 sq. ft. of irrigated area must certify compliance to the State Water Board every three years starting **June 30, 2030**.
- **HOAs/Common Areas:** Owners of properties with >5,000 sq. ft. of irrigated common area must certify compliance every three years starting **June 30, 2031**.

SECTION 5. Enforcement

The District shall administer and enforce the requirements of this section in accordance with California Water Code Section 10608.14.

The District's primary objective is to achieve compliance through customer education, technical assistance, and voluntary cooperation. Prior to the issuance of administrative penalties, the District may provide written notice of the violation, educational materials, technical assistance, and a reasonable opportunity for the customer to correct the violation or submit a compliance plan, when appropriate.

Customers demonstrating good-faith efforts toward compliance, including participation in District assistance programs or implementation of an approved compliance schedule, may be granted reasonable time to complete corrective actions.

If a violation continues after reasonable notice and opportunity to comply, the District may issue a Notice of Violation and assess the following administrative penalties:

- First Violation: Written Warning and educational materials; no monetary penalty.
- Second Violation: Administrative penalty not to exceed \$250.
- Third Violation: Administrative penalty not to exceed \$500.
- Fourth and Subsequent Violations: Administrative penalty not to exceed \$1,000 per violation, or the maximum amount authorized by applicable law.

In determining the amount of any administrative penalty, the District may consider the severity of the violation, the duration of the violation, prior violations, demonstrated good-faith efforts toward compliance, participation in District assistance or rebate programs, and any mitigating circumstances.

Customers who fail to comply after repeated notices or who intentionally or willfully violate this section may be subject to additional enforcement actions authorized by the District's Ordinance, including recovery of enforcement costs and any other remedies permitted by law.

Any person receiving a Notice of Violation or administrative penalty may appeal determination in accordance with the District's established administrative appeal procedures.

Nothing in this section limits the authority of the State Water Resources Control Board or other governmental agencies to enforce California Water Code Section 10608.14.

SECTION 6. Severability

If any provision of this ordinance or its application is held invalid, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 7. Effective Date

This ordinance shall take effect immediately following its adoption by the District's Board of Directors.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 28th day of July, 2026, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

James Bodnar, President of the
Board of Directors

ATTEST:

Arturo Montes, Secretary / Treasurer

CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS - STAFF REPORT

Action Item No. 3
July 28, 2026

To: Honorable President and Members of the Board of Directors
From: James Lee – General Manager
Subject: **Resolution 807 - Adopting Article 22 and Appendix U of the District's Rules and Regulations – Legislative Advocacy Policy**

ACTION ITEM:

Consideration and possible motion to adopt Resolution 807, adopting Article 22 and Appendix U of the District's Rules and Regulations – Legislative Advocacy Policy.

BACKGROUND:

Staff presented a draft Legislative Advocacy Policy at the April 28, 2026 Board meeting. The policy is intended to provide clear direction to District staff regarding the District's process for engaging in legislative advocacy. Following Board discussion, staff incorporated the edits and feedback provided by the Board.

The updated policy was subsequently presented at the May 28, 2026 and June 25, 2026 Finance and Policy Committee meeting, at which time the Committee directed staff to bring the revised policy forward for consideration by the full Board.

DISCUSSION:

Staff has prepared an updated Legislative Advocacy Policy for Board consideration. The policy formalizes procedures for reviewing legislative proposals, establishes coordination with industry organizations and legislative partners, and provides a consistent framework for the District's legislative advocacy efforts.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board adopt Resolution 807, adopting Article 22 and Appendix U of the District's Rules and Regulations – Legislative Advocacy Policy.

Prepared by:


Armine Sargsyan
Sr. Strategic Initiatives Specialist

Submitted by:


James Lee
General Manager

Attachment(s): Resolution 807

RESOLUTION NO. 807

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT ADOPTING ARTICLE 22 AND APPENDIX U OF THE DISTRICT'S RULES AND REGULATIONS – LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY POLICY

WHEREAS, the Crescenta Valley Water District (“District”) periodically reviews its Rules and Regulations and policies to ensure they reflect the District’s current governance practices, operational needs, and priorities;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors recognizes the importance of monitoring and engaging in legislative matters that may affect the District’s operations, finances, customers, and ability to maintain local control;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors desires to establish clear authority and procedures for the District to support, oppose, or otherwise take positions on legislative matters in accordance with Board-established policy principles and priorities;

WHEREAS, District staff has prepared a Legislative Advocacy Policy to be incorporated as Article 22 of the District’s Rules and Regulations, together with the Legislative Advocacy Procedures contained in Appendix U;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has reviewed Article 22 and Appendix U and finds their adoption to be in the best interests of the District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Crescenta Valley Water District as follows:

1. Article 22, Legislative Advocacy Policy, is hereby added to the District’s Rules and Regulations in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by this reference.
2. Appendix U, Legislative Advocacy Procedures, is hereby added to the District’s Rules and Regulations in the form attached hereto as Exhibit B and incorporated herein by this reference.
3. The General Manager, or the General Manager’s designee, is authorized to administer and implement Article 22 and Appendix U and to make non-substantive administrative, formatting, and clerical revisions necessary to incorporate them into the District’s Rules and Regulations.
4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED at a Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Crescenta Valley Water District held on July 28, 2026. Resolution No. 807 was adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ATTEST:

**Secretary of the Board of Directors
Crescenta Valley Water District**

**President, Board of Directors
Crescenta Valley Water District**

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I, Arturo Montes, Secretary to the Board of the Crescenta Valley Water District, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of Resolution No. 807 of the Board of Directors of Crescenta Valley Water District adopted at a Regular Meeting held on July 28, 2026 and that the same has not been amended or repealed.

Secretary of the Board of Directors

Crescenta Valley Water District

DATED: July 28, 2026

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Exhibit A

ARTICLE 22: LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY POLICY

22.01 Purpose

The purpose of this Article is to provide clear direction to District staff regarding the District's process of engaging in legislative advocacy. It provides a clear understanding of authority and procedure in supporting or opposing legislation.

The Board of Directors acknowledges the importance of safeguarding District interests and maintaining local control. It is the District's policy to actively track and advocate for legislation aligned with established Policy Principles and Priorities, which is updated every year in the fall, and any specific guidance provided by the Board.

22.02 Authority

At the beginning of each legislative year, the Board of Directors shall establish the legislative policy of the District and make the decision on whether to support or oppose legislation. This will be updated in Appendix U annually.

Should a legislative issue arise that requires immediate attention, the Board President shall be delegated to make a decision. If the Board President is unavailable, the Board Vice President may act on legislative issues.

If legislative action is taken, the action will be placed on the agenda for Board discussion and possible adjustment of the position at the next regular Board meeting.

22.03 Legislative Positions

The District may take one of the following positions on legislative issues:

- A. Support – The legislation advances the District's goals, priorities, or operational interests.
- B. Oppose – The legislation may negatively impact the District, create operational or financial burdens, or fail to support the District's goals and priorities.
- C. Support if amended – The legislation advances the District's goals, priorities, or operational interests, provided specific amendments are made.
- D. Hold – The District may choose not to take a formal position when additional analysis is needed, or neutrality is determined to be in the District's best interest at that time.

22.04 Procedures

The General Manager or designated staff shall administer the Legislative Advocacy Procedures contained in Appendix U.

Exhibit B

APPENDIX U

CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY PROCEDURES

APPENDIX U

CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY PROCEDURES

A. Policy Goals

- Advocate the District’s legislative interests at local, state, and federal levels.
- Provide information to the Board of Directors on key legislation and policy issues that could have a potential impact on the District.
- Engage with industry partners and legislators, and actively collaborate with associations, including the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) and the California Municipal Utilities Association (CMUA), on legislative issues that are important to the District.
- Secure federal, state, and county funding for District-specific projects.

B. Legislative Advocacy Procedures

The Legislative Advocacy Procedures establish how staff will consistently and promptly monitor and respond to legislative matters. Under these procedures, the General Manager or designated staff will:

1. Review requests for the District to take a position on legislative issues and determine whether they align with the District’s approved Policy Principles and Priorities.
2. Consider analyses and positions developed by ACWA, CMUA, and other local government associations when forming recommendations.
3. If the issue aligns with approved priorities, respond through a letter, email, or a form response to the body, such as an association or legislator, considering the measure.
4. Determine the appropriate legislative position to be taken by the District. Positions may include:
 - a. Support
 - b. Oppose
 - c. Support if Amended
 - d. Hold
5. Ensure that all draft position letters clearly indicate whether the District “supports” or “opposes” the legislation and include sufficient justification. When possible, letters should also provide specific examples of how the legislation would impact the District.

6. Allow the General Manager to adopt a legislative position if any of the following apply:
 - a. The position aligns with the District's adopted Policy Principles and Priorities;
 - b. The position is consistent with that of organizations in which the District holds membership, such as ACWA or CMUA; or
 - c. The position has been approved by the Board of Directors.
7. Report any positions taken outside of a regular Board meeting to the Board of Directors at the next scheduled meeting. When appropriate, the General Manager or staff will provide a written or verbal update summarizing legislative activities.

C. Advocacy Priorities

Water Supply and Water Infrastructure Investment

Continue to support investments protecting existing water supplies and conveyance. Pursue funding for alternative water sources such as stormwater capture and regional recycled water projects. Expand funding resources for capital improvements to address financial deficits.

Water Quality

Utilize best available data to vet recommended processes and approach to address PFAS/PFOA, Nitrates and other emerging contaminants. Encourage the consideration of source control measures to reduce the public's exposure to known chemical hazards in the water supply.

Wastewater

Wastewater management is a central service that supports human and environmental health. CVWD will seek legislative and regulatory actions to support and safeguard our wastewater infrastructure and inform the development of new and emerging management and treatment practices.

Wildfire Mitigation and Response

The District will continue to lead efforts in finding innovative wildfire mitigation and response techniques. CVWD will aim to lead local, regional, and state-wide endeavors to expand funding for wildfire mitigation infrastructure.

CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS - STAFF REPORT

July 28, 2026
Action Item No. 4

To: Honorable President and Members of the Board of Directors
From: Ryan Guiboa – General Counsel
Subject: First Amendment to General Manager Employment Agreement

ACTION ITEM:

Consideration of a first amendment to the General Manager Employment Agreement between Crescenta Valley Water District and James Lee.

BACKGROUND:

Last year, the Board of Directors approved a General Manager Employment Agreement (“Employment Agreement”), effective December 9, 2025, between the Crescenta Valley Water District and General Manager James Lee. Pursuant to the Employment Agreement, the Board recently conducted its annual performance evaluation of Mr. Lee, which was completed in June 2026.

Based upon the results of the annual performance review, the Board directed the preparation of an amendment to the Agreement to provide Mr. Lee with a discretionary salary increase of four percent (4%). Pursuant to the terms of the Agreement, the effective date of any Board-approved salary adjustment will take effect July 1st of that calendar year. This salary increase is in addition to an automatic cost-of-living adjustment for the prior calendar year, which is three (3%) for 2025. The Employment Agreement also provides for a cost-of-living adjustment to the District Manager’s retirement account contribution by the District.

The first amendment to the employment agreement between Crescenta Valley Water District and James Lee (“First Amendment”), attached hereto, reflects a base salary and retirement contribution increase, summarized as follows:

- Prior Base Salary: \$326,998.25
- New Base Salary as of July 1st: \$350,280.53

- Prior Retirement Contribution: \$14,000.00
- New Retirement Contribution: \$14,420.00

Except as modified in the First Amendment, the underlying Agreement and all other substantive terms remain in full force and effect.

FISCAL IMPACT

The costs associated with the First Amendment are within the Board-approved budget for the General Manager position.

RECOMMENDATION

Approval of the First Amendment to the General Manager Employment Agreement, which reflects adjustments to the base salary and retirement contributions for General Manager James Lee, and authorization of the Board President to sign the First Amendment on behalf of the District.

Prepared and Submitted by:

Ryan Guiboa
General Counsel

Attachment: First Amendment To The General Manager Employment Agreement

**FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE
GENERAL MANAGER EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT AND JAMES LEE**

This First Amendment to the General Manager Employment Agreement (“First Amendment”) between the Crescenta Valley Water District (“Employer” or “District”) and James Lee (“Employee”) is entered into this 28th day of July, 2026 (“Execution Date”).

Except as modified in this First Amendment, the underlying General Manager Employment Agreement dated December 9, 2025 (“Agreement”) between District and Employee shall remain in full force and effect. As provided in the Agreement, the salary adjustments provided in this First Amendment shall be effective as of July 1, 2026.

The parties to this First Amendment agree to the following changes:

Section 3.1 entitled, “Compensation” is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows to reflect the 2025 cost of living adjustment of three percent (3%) as well as a four percent (4%) base salary increase awarded at the discretion of the District’s Board of Directors (the “Board”) following Employee’s annual salary review and evaluation:

3.1 Compensation. The District agrees to compensate Employee for services rendered hereunder at an annual base salary of \$350,280.53, as may be adjusted, from time to time, in accordance with Sections 3.2 and 3.3 hereinafter, or as this Agreement may be amended. Such salary shall be payable in equal installments at the same time as other employees of the District are paid. Such salary shall be adjusted for payroll taxes, workers’ compensation, and other applicable State and Federal payroll-related deductions. This position is exempt from overtime under District policies and law, including but not limited to the FLSA.

Section 3.6 entitled, “Retirement Contribution” is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows to reflect the 2025 cost of living adjustment of three percent (3%):

3.6 Retirement Contribution. The District agrees to contribute to Employee’s 457 retirement account in the total amount of \$14,420.00 (“Retirement Contribution”) per year, subject to any maximum amounts allowed by law. The Retirement Contribution shall be adjusted annually based on the same annual cost of living adjustment detailed above.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have executed the First Amendment as of the Execution Date written above.

CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

By: _____
President of the Board of Directors for Crescenta Valley Water
District

JAMES LEE

By: _____
James Lee

CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS - STAFF REPORT

Action Item No. 5
July 28, 2026

To: Honorable President and Members of the Board of Directors
From: Arturo Montes – Director of Finance & Administration
Subject: **Amendment of FY 2026-27 Pay Schedule for CalPERS Compliance**

ACTION ITEM:

Consideration and motion to adopt the amended pay schedule and direct staff to post on the District's website as required by California Code of Regulations Section 570.5.

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt the amended pay schedule and direct staff to post on the District's website as required by California Code of Regulations Section 570.5.

Prepared and Submitted by:



Arturo Montes
Director of Finance & Administration

Attachment(s):

1. FY 2026-27 Amended Pay Schedule



Crescenta Valley Water District **Pay Schedules (Monthly)**

Effective 7/1/2026 to 6/30/2027 (Updated 7/28/26)

	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	Step 6	Step 7	Step 8	Step 9	Step 10	Step 11	MAX
ACCOUNTING CLERK	\$5,274	\$5,406	\$5,541	\$5,680	\$5,822	\$5,968	\$6,117	\$6,270	\$6,427	\$6,588	\$6,753	\$7,091
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	\$5,346	\$5,480	\$5,617	\$5,757	\$5,901	\$6,049	\$6,200	\$6,355	\$6,514	\$6,677	\$6,844	\$7,186
ASSISTANT ENGINEER	\$7,104	\$7,282	\$7,464	\$7,651	\$7,842	\$8,038	\$8,239	\$8,445	\$8,656	\$8,872	\$9,094	\$9,549
ASSOCIATE ENGINEER	\$8,675	\$8,892	\$9,114	\$9,342	\$9,576	\$9,815	\$10,060	\$10,312	\$10,570	\$10,834	\$11,105	\$11,660
CONSTRUCTION SUPERVISOR	\$7,592	\$7,782	\$7,977	\$8,176	\$8,380	\$8,590	\$8,805	\$9,025	\$9,251	\$9,482	\$9,719	\$10,205
CROSS CONNECTION SPECIALIST	\$6,836	\$7,007	\$7,182	\$7,362	\$7,546	\$7,735	\$7,928	\$8,126	\$8,329	\$8,537	\$8,750	\$9,188
CUST SERVICE FIELD REP	\$5,933	\$6,081	\$6,233	\$6,389	\$6,549	\$6,713	\$6,881	\$7,053	\$7,229	\$7,410	\$7,595	\$7,975
CUSTOMER SERVICE & ADMIN GENERALIST	\$5,765	\$5,909	\$6,057	\$6,208	\$6,363	\$6,522	\$6,685	\$6,852	\$7,023	\$7,199	\$7,379	\$7,748
CUSTOMER SERVICE CLERK	\$4,484	\$4,596	\$4,711	\$4,829	\$4,950	\$5,074	\$5,201	\$5,331	\$5,464	\$5,601	\$5,741	\$6,028
CUSTOMER SERVICE LEAD	\$6,228	\$6,384	\$6,544	\$6,708	\$6,876	\$7,048	\$7,224	\$7,405	\$7,590	\$7,780	\$7,975	\$8,374
CUSTOMER SERVICE SUPERVISOR	\$6,707	\$6,875	\$7,047	\$7,223	\$7,404	\$7,589	\$7,779	\$7,973	\$8,172	\$8,376	\$8,585	\$9,014
ENTERPRISE SYSTEM SPECIALIST	\$6,951	\$7,125	\$7,303	\$7,486	\$7,673	\$7,865	\$8,062	\$8,264	\$8,471	\$8,683	\$8,900	\$9,345
FACILITIES MAINTENANCE	\$5,330	\$5,463	\$5,600	\$5,740	\$5,884	\$6,031	\$6,182	\$6,337	\$6,495	\$6,657	\$6,823	\$7,164
OPERATIONS & MAINT. WORKER I	\$5,330	\$5,463	\$5,600	\$5,740	\$5,884	\$6,031	\$6,182	\$6,337	\$6,495	\$6,657	\$6,823	\$7,164
OPERATIONS & MAINT. WORKER II	\$5,933	\$6,081	\$6,233	\$6,389	\$6,549	\$6,713	\$6,881	\$7,053	\$7,229	\$7,410	\$7,595	\$7,975
OPERATIONS & MAINT. WORKER III	\$6,228	\$6,384	\$6,544	\$6,708	\$6,876	\$7,048	\$7,224	\$7,405	\$7,590	\$7,780	\$7,975	\$8,374
OPERATIONS & MAINT. WORKER IV	\$6,850	\$7,021	\$7,197	\$7,377	\$7,561	\$7,750	\$7,944	\$8,143	\$8,347	\$8,556	\$8,770	\$9,209
OPERATIONS & TELEMTRY TECH. I	\$5,703	\$5,846	\$5,992	\$6,142	\$6,296	\$6,453	\$6,614	\$6,779	\$6,948	\$7,122	\$7,300	\$7,665
OPERATIONS COORDINATOR I	\$5,933	\$6,081	\$6,233	\$6,389	\$6,549	\$6,713	\$6,881	\$7,053	\$7,229	\$7,410	\$7,595	\$7,975
OPERATIONS COORDINATOR II	\$6,526	\$6,689	\$6,856	\$7,027	\$7,203	\$7,383	\$7,568	\$7,757	\$7,951	\$8,150	\$8,354	\$8,772
PLANT MAINTENANCE SPEC	\$6,868	\$7,040	\$7,216	\$7,396	\$7,581	\$7,771	\$7,965	\$8,164	\$8,368	\$8,577	\$8,791	\$9,231
PROJECT COORDINATOR	\$6,294	\$6,451	\$6,612	\$6,777	\$6,946	\$7,120	\$7,298	\$7,480	\$7,667	\$7,859	\$8,055	\$8,458
REGULATORY & PUBLIC AFFAIRS SPECIALIST	\$6,951	\$7,125	\$7,303	\$7,486	\$7,673	\$7,865	\$8,062	\$8,264	\$8,471	\$8,683	\$8,900	\$9,345
SR. ENG TECHNICIAN	\$7,651	\$7,842	\$8,038	\$8,239	\$8,445	\$8,656	\$8,872	\$9,094	\$9,321	\$9,554	\$9,793	\$10,283
SR. INSPECTION & DESIGN SPECIALIST	\$8,548	\$8,762	\$8,981	\$9,206	\$9,436	\$9,672	\$9,914	\$10,162	\$10,416	\$10,676	\$10,943	\$11,490
SYSTEM OPERATOR I	\$6,670	\$6,837	\$7,008	\$7,183	\$7,363	\$7,547	\$7,736	\$7,929	\$8,127	\$8,330	\$8,538	\$8,965
SYSTEM OPERATOR II	\$7,002	\$7,177	\$7,356	\$7,540	\$7,729	\$7,922	\$8,120	\$8,323	\$8,531	\$8,744	\$8,963	\$9,411
WATER QUALITY & ASSET MANAGMENT SPECIALIST	\$6,951	\$7,125	\$7,303	\$7,486	\$7,673	\$7,865	\$8,062	\$8,264	\$8,471	\$8,683	\$8,900	\$9,345
SR. WATER QUALITY & ASSET MANAGMENT SPECIALIST	\$7,716	\$7,909	\$8,107	\$8,310	\$8,518	\$8,731	\$8,949	\$9,173	\$9,402	\$9,637	\$9,878	\$10,372
WATER RESOURCES & EXTERNAL AFFAIRS SPECIALIST	\$6,951	\$7,125	\$7,303	\$7,486	\$7,673	\$7,865	\$8,062	\$8,264	\$8,471	\$8,683	\$8,900	\$9,345
SR. WATER RESOURCES & EXTERNAL AFFAIRS SPECIALIST	\$7,716	\$7,909	\$8,107	\$8,310	\$8,518	\$8,731	\$8,949	\$9,173	\$9,402	\$9,637	\$9,878	\$10,372

	MIN	MAX
ANALYST	\$5,529	\$7,409
ACCOUNTANT	\$7,080	\$9,516
SENIOR ACCOUNTANT	\$7,716	\$10,371
SENIOR MANAGEMENT ANALYST	\$7,716	\$10,371
OPERATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY ANALYST	\$7,716	\$10,371
ASSOCIATE MANAGER	\$8,235	\$11,034
CIP PROJECT MANAGER	\$9,378	\$13,025
PROGRAM MANAGER	\$9,378	\$13,025
SENIOR ENGINEER	\$9,378	\$13,025
MANAGER	\$10,316	\$14,326
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR	\$11,554	\$16,045
DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING & OPERATIONS	\$13,088	\$19,396
DIRECTOR OF FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION	\$13,398	\$19,664
GENERAL MANAGER		\$29,190

VIEWPOINTS

VIEW OF THE VERDUGOS » CRAIG DURST

Forgotten Friendship of William and Moses

William took a moment to give his horses a few gentle strokes before hopping into the seat of his buckboard wagon. He'd spent a good part of the morning loading up crates of grapes, peaches and apricots for the long journey downtown. He'd grown this produce on his 80-acre ranch in Monte Vista (Sunland) and was headed to the bustling markets of Los Angeles to reap the benefits of his labor.

Down the road a piece in the distance he saw a familiar face. Standing near his barn, arms waving, was his friend and neighbor Moses. William pulled on the reins and brought his wagon to a stop in front of the crates Moses had stacked beside him. These were the fruits of his labor – literally – and the two men had developed a tradition of traveling together to deliver their goods to market.

The year was 1885. On their long dusty ride, I can imagine William sharing his tale of escaping Germany to avoid conscription into the army of Otto von Bismarck. Moses may have spoken of his prior life in New Hampshire and of his young son who had preceded him to Los Angeles. William probably

chronicled his journey across the Isthmus of Panama and his trip up the coast to San Francisco. Moses may have expressed just how proud he was of his son Harry for recently landing a job at the Los Angeles Times.

After delivering their goods to market and purchasing much-needed supplies, the two friends headed home. To gather where home was for William, imagine exiting the 210 Freeway today at Sunland Boulevard and turning left. Where Public Storage and the large apartment complexes on the hill are seen from the freeway to Newhome Avenue was the ranch of William Bernhard. For many years, this slope along the boulevard was covered with grape vines and fruit trees.

William had come to Monte Vista from Northern California in 1882. He was one of the earliest residents. For two years, he tended beehives and harvested honey until 1884, when he purchased the ranch land I referenced. He paid \$1,000 for those 80 acres along Sunland Boulevard – \$100 down and the rest on contract.

In 1890, local newspapers reported that Bernhard's crop had

Former site of the Bernhard Ranch



reached 25 tons of fruit. Peaches, grapes, apricots, plums and berries made up the haul at his address: 10400 Sunland Blvd. He sold that crop for \$750. The cost of production had been \$70 for a profit of \$680, the equivalent of approximately \$25,000 in today's money.

Back to Moses Knight Chandler, Williams' friend and traveling partner. He was known for his relentless work ethic and entrepreneurial drive and he must have instilled those traits into his son. Harry Chandler was 21 in 1885 when he landed his job with the Los Angeles Times. Moses and his wife Emma watched their son

become one of the most powerful newspaper titans and landowners in American history, becoming publisher of the Times in 1917.

William also watched Harry grow up, amazed by his accomplishments. But William had a very impressive relative as well. His nephew Theodore, who lived in Napa, California, came to visit his uncle for the first time in 1899. Although already a successful businessman, he arrived to assist his uncle William with the year's harvest.

By the time of William Bernhard's passing in March 1934 at the age of 97, he had acquired

200 acres of land in Sunland and, being a bachelor, his estate was divided among his heirs. Theodore Bernhard moved to Sunland after William's death and in 1940 he built a beautiful, large home up on the hill next to his uncle's orchard.

Theodore's accomplishments were many and he became a very wealthy man. But that's for next time in "When the Richest Man in California Called Sunland Home."

Craig W. Durst, AKA
The History Hunter, is a historian of the Tujunga Rancho and President of the Friends of Verdugo Hills Cemetery. He can be reached at craig@thehistoryhunter.com.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Doubts Value of Investigation

Adam Schiff is going to investigate oil companies ["Schiff to Introduce Legislation to Investigate Oil Companies," CV Weekly, July 9] – companies that help get about 31-plus million households to work, to school and to the market [but] need to be investigated. For what? Selling their products instead of donating to all who consume? They are a business, Adam, not a charity.

Schiff found a service station that lists fuel at \$8 per gallon and believes that is a standard in California. I pay about \$4 and change here in La Crescenta, so I think Schiff is cherry picking to make a point. The governor (also a Democrat) has declared oil companies to be the people's enemy and now Schiff is going to support that belief to better his optics with California voters.

God help us.

Michael Powers
La Crescenta

CVWD Upcoming Election

The Crescenta Valley Water District (CVWD) will have three openings for its board of directors on the Nov. 3, 2026 election ballot. Having served on the board since 2009, I have decided not to rerun for another term.

Being a director is an enjoyable and rewarding experience as you realize how important the District is in providing water and sewer services to La Crescenta and its neighboring communities. Everyday most of us take for granted there will always be water available for drinking, bathing, washing clothes, irrigating landscapes, swimming in pools, etc. and, of course, putting out fires when they occur. There are, however, many challenges in keeping the vast network of pipes, wells, pumps and reservoirs functioning to ensure water comes out of the faucet whenever you turn it on.

I encourage if you live within the District election boundary to apply for a position on the board to guide the District in the coming years.

The candidate filing period is from July 13 through Aug. 7. As an incumbent, I am not rerunning and therefore the filing date is extended to Aug. 12.

Contact LA County website (LAVote) for filing information.

Kerry Erickson
La Crescenta

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Reviewing the Budget

Earlier this year, Governor Newsom released a budget proposal that kicked off negotiations with the Legislature over everything from how we fund our schools to public safety. This year, as we navigated the challenging financial climate made worse by the passage of HR 1 and repeated hostile actions from the Trump Administration, we worked together to pass a budget enacting a responsible, balanced spending plan that safeguards California's values while maintaining our state's long-term fiscal health.

The state government's budget and accompanying trailer bills include new landmark policies that will accelerate housing production and boost affordability in communities across the state – addressing California's most urgent challenges.

In response to Governor Newsom's proposed cuts, the Legislature successfully pushed back against drastic reductions to healthcare coverage and life-saving human services programs. The final state budget signed by the governor represents a negotiated compromise.

In total, the Budget Act of 2026 contains \$352 billion in total spending. Higher-than-expected tax revenues — driven in part by continued strength in the technology and AI sectors — allowed lawmakers to avoid many of the deeper spending cuts that had been anticipated while continuing to address projected long-term structural deficits. The budget also increases the state's reserve funds to nearly \$29 billion.

The budget reflects a shared commitment to protect opportunity and improve affordability in California in the face of targeted attacks by the Trump Administration.

Below is a brief summary of the various components of the state budget plan that I would like to highlight for all of you.

* **Education.** The budget continues to dedicate a large share of general fund spending to K-12 schools, consistent with constitutional funding requirements. It also preserves funding for school districts despite ongoing fiscal pressures and provides cost-of-living adjustments. Importantly, the Newsom Administration also proposed governance changes intended to strengthen accountability and improve academic outcomes by recasting the roles and duties of the superintendent of Public Instruction.

* **Childcare.** The budget funds nearly 23,000 new childcare spaces, continuing a priority commitment

of both Governor Newsom and the Legislature.

* **Health care.** The budget preserves key health care programs for Californians targeted by Republicans. It delays several previously proposed Medi-Cal benefit reductions, including some cuts affecting dental services and provider reimbursements. The budget agreement also preserves health care access for many low-income Californians through continued health care provider taxes that leverage federal matching funds. In total, this budget maintains health care as one of the state's largest spending priorities while recognizing continued structural budget challenges.

* **Housing and Homelessness.** The budget also includes approximately \$1.6 billion in one-time funding for programs that cannot be financed through bond proceeds. These funds support affordable housing production, homelessness interventions and related housing programs.

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2026 Summer Day Camp at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church



August 3rd-7th 9a-3p

Camp is for K-6th grade and will be packed full of fun games, joyful music and worship, creating memories that will last a lifetime.

\$60 for the entire week for one child, or \$50 each for two or more siblings. Register by 08/02/26

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CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

General Manager Report

GM Report
July 28, 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:

- Emergency Operations Center – All-hands training and workshop
- IHP Cost Update

STAFFING

Employee Spotlight: Ray Zhong

As of July 23rd, the District has gone 39 days without a lost time incident.

GENERAL MANAGER ACTIVITIES

Meetings:

East Bay Municipal Utilities District	- July 14 th
PWAG Board of Directors	- July 15 th
Strategic Circle Cohort	- July 17 th
Capitol Visit: Various Member Offices	- July 20 th
Emergency Operations Center Tabletop	- July 23 rd
Finance & Policy Committee (<i>absent</i>)	- July 23 rd

Agreements/Contracts Executed:

Prestige Analytics – <i>agreement</i>		
<i>Emergency management</i>	\$9,810	July 22, 2026
Breaking the Chain Consulting – <i>agreement</i>		
<i>Workforce culture development</i>	\$16,750	July 23, 2026

Submitted by:



James Lee
General Manager

GM Report Supplement

IHP Cost Analysis

The following represents an ongoing series of updates regarding a cost analysis of the In-House Pipeline (IHP) Program, including the recently completed Teasley 2 and Fairway projects, with a comparison to benchmark estimates.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW:

To date, the IHP program includes 7,404 linear feet of pipeline improvements at a total cost of approximately \$3 million, resulting in an average unit cost of \$410 per linear foot. Unit costs across the program vary depending on pipe diameter, project length, and site complexity.

COST SUMMMARY:

Table 1 summarizes the costs of IHP projects compared to benchmark estimates. The analysis indicates an estimated \$2.0 million in cost savings through the completion of the most recent projects (Teasley 2 and Fairway). IHP savings for FY 2026 are estimated at \$1.4 million.

UPDATE ON SAVINGS METHODOLOGY:

The District seeks to base savings on the most conservative methodology available:

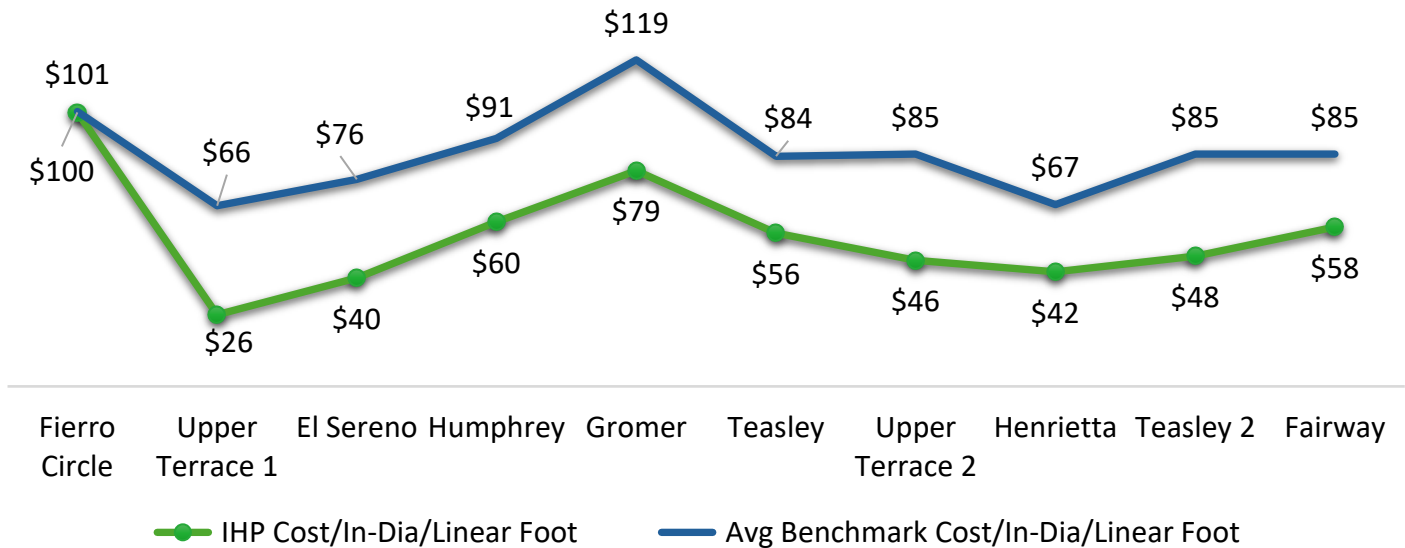
- a. Savings is determined by the benchmark savings number – in other words, the cost of pipeline in the absence of an IHP program;
- b. This update is being determined now because the District has completed the first year of an IHP program (FY 2026), following a pilot program in FY 2025;
- c. Savings are based on a snapshot in time. This “snapshot” will be represented by the lowest number available at the end of the fiscal year – for the immediately concluded year, that is June 30, 2026;
- d. The lowest number is either: 1) an amalgamation of all available numbers such as bids from other agencies and bids for CVWD; or 2) CVWD’s lowest bid;
- e. CVWD’s lowest bids were obtained through “direct negotiation”, including the most recent bid by Rasic for the Foothill Blvd job at \$2.9 million, or \$543 per linear foot;
- f. This benchmark number will be used for savings comparisons through FY 2027;
- g. An updated “snapshot” benchmark will be determined based on District and other bids by June 30, 2027.

Table 1: Cost Comparison

Fiscal Year	Project	Pipeline Diameter	Linear Feet	IHP Costs	Benchmark	Savings \$	Savings % from Benchmark
Pilot 2024-25	Fierro Circle	6	160	\$96,216	\$96,525	\$309	0%
	Upper Terrace 1	8	610	\$127,926	\$322,502	\$194,576	60%
	El Sereno	8	430	\$136,515	\$260,617	\$124,102	48%
	Humphrey	6	350	\$126,258	\$190,405	\$64,147	34%
	Gromer	6	260	\$123,143	\$186,335	\$63,193	34%
	Teasley	8	835	\$374,598	\$562,597	\$187,998	33%
2025-26	Upper Terrace 2	8	1,165	\$429,484	\$792,272	\$362,789	46%
	Henrietta	12	1,694	\$850,924	\$1,352,663	\$501,739	37%
	Teasley 2	8	1,400	\$533,695	\$952,087	\$418,392	44%
	Fairway	8	500	\$233,307	\$340,031	\$106,724	31%
	Total		7,404	\$3,032,065	\$5,056,034	\$2,023,969	40%

Figure 1 presents each project's cost normalized on a "dollar-per-inch-diameter-per-linear-foot" basis. Across all projects, the normalized cost line (dollar-per-inch-diameter-per-linear-foot) continues to remain generally consistent, mostly between \$40 and \$60, indicating steady program performance.

Figure 1: Cost Comparison: \$/Inch-Diameter/Linear Foot



PERFORMANCE EVALUATION:

The two most recent IHP projects, Teasley 2 and Fairway, continued to demonstrate the program's ability to deliver pipeline replacements at costs below benchmark estimates. Teasley 2 was one of the program's top-performing projects, achieving a cost of \$48 dollar-per-inch-diameter-per-linear-foot and generating 44% savings compared to the benchmark estimate. Fairway achieved 31% savings, with costs of \$58 per linear foot, remaining well below benchmark values.

KEY OBSERVATIONS TO DATE:

- Larger/lengthier projects consistently yield lower unit costs.
- Shorter segments (e.g., Fairway) tend to have higher per-unit costs.
- Cost variability remains within the expected range for the program.
- Teasley 2 reflects strong cost control and aligns favorably with program expectations, while Fairway's higher cost remains consistent with known drivers such as its shorter length and other extenuating factors in the field including width of the street.