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# SCV WATER AGENCY TELECONFERENCE REGULAR BOARD MEETING

**TUESDAY, JULY 20, 2021**  
**START TIME: 6:30 PM (PST)**

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**SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA**

**SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY  
RIO VISTA WATER TREATMENT PLANT  
27234 BOUQUET CANYON ROAD  
SANTA CLARITA, CA 91350**

**TELECONFERENCE ONLY  
NO PHYSICAL LOCATION FOR MEETING**

**TUESDAY, JULY 20, 2021 AT 6:30 PM**

**TELECONFERENCING NOTICE**

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We request that the public submit any comments in writing if practicable, which can be sent to [ajacobs@scvwa.org](mailto:ajacobs@scvwa.org) or mailed to April Jacobs, Board Secretary, Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency, 27234 Bouquet Canyon Road, Santa Clarita, CA 91350. All written comments received before 4:30 PM the day of the meeting will be distributed to the Board members and posted on the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency website prior to the start of the meeting. Anything received after 4:30 PM the day of the meeting will be posted on the SCV Water website the following day.

**OPEN SESSION BEGINS AT 6:30 PM**

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** – Members of the public may comment as to items within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Agency that are not on the Agenda at this time. Members of the public wishing to comment on items covered in this Agenda may do so at the time each item is considered. (Comments may, at the discretion of the Board's presiding officer, be limited to three minutes for each speaker.) Members of the public wishing to comment on items covered in Closed Session before they are considered by the Board must request to make comment at the commencement of the meeting at 6:30 PM.

**4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**5. CONSENT CALENDAR PAGE**

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**11. DIRECTOR REPORTS**

**12. CLOSED SESSION – SEPARATE DIAL-IN PHONE NUMBER WILL BE PROVIDED TO THE BOARD AND APPROPRIATE STAFF**

- 12.1 Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation – Paragraph (1) of Subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9, Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency v. Whittaker Corporation and American International Specialty Insurance Company, JAMS Ref. No. 120067216
- 12.2 Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation – Paragraph (1) of Subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9, Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency v. Whittaker Corporation, Case No: 2:18-cv-6825 SB (RAOx)

**OPEN SESSION CONTINUES WITH THE PHONE NUMBER LISTED  
ON THE FIRST PAGE OF THIS AGENDA**

**13. CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS**

14. **DIRECTOR REQUESTS FOR APPROVAL FOR EVENT ATTENDANCE**

15. **DIRECTOR REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

16. **ADJOURNMENT**

\* Indicates Attachment

◆ Indicates Handout

**Note: The Board reserves the right to discuss or take action or both on all of the above Agenda items.**

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Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.5, non-exempt public records that relate to open session agenda items and are distributed to a majority of the Board less than seventy-two (72) hours prior to the meeting will be available for public inspection at the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency, located at 27234 Bouquet Canyon Road, Santa Clarita, CA 91350, during regular business hours. When practical, these public records will also be made available on the Agency's Internet Website, accessible at <http://www.yourscvwater.com>.

Posted on July 14, 2021.

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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency – July 6, 2021

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A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency was held via teleconference at 6:30 PM on Tuesday, July 6, 2021. A copy of the Agenda is inserted in the Minute Book of the Agency preceding these minutes.

**DIRECTORS PRESENT:** Kathye Armitage, B. J. Atkins, Beth Braunstein, Ed Colley, William Cooper, Jeff Ford, Jerry Gladbach, R. J. Kelly, Gary Martin, Dan Mortensen, Piotr Orzechowski and Lynne Plambeck via teleconference.

**DIRECTORS ABSENT:** None.

Also present via teleconference: General Manager Matthew Stone, General Counsel Tom Bunn and Joe Byrne, Board Secretary April Jacobs, Assistant General Manager Steve Cole, Chief Engineer Courtney Mael, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer Eric Campbell, Chief Operating Officer Keith Abercrombie, Director of Finance and Administration Rochelle Patterson, Director of Operations and Maintenance Mike Alvord, Director of Tech Services Cris Perez, Communications Manager Kathie Martin, Customer Service Manager Kathleen Willson, GIS Manager Jose Huerta, Human Resources Manager Ari Mantis, Information Technology Supervisor Jeff Herbert, Principal Engineers Brent Payne and Jason Yim, Engineer Orlando Moreno, Associate Engineer Elizabeth Sobczak, Senior Management Analyst Kim Grass, Financial Analyst Darine Conner, Executive Assistants Eunie Kang and Leticia Quintero, Senior Office Assistant Terri Bell, Accounting Tech II Kyle Arnold, and members of the public.

President Martin called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. A quorum was present.

Upon motion of Vice President Mortensen, seconded by Director Atkins and carried, the Board approved the Agenda by the following roll call votes (Item 4):

Director Armitage	Yes	Director Atkins	Yes
Director Braunstein	Yes	Director Colley	Yes
Director Cooper	Yes	Director Ford	Yes
Vice President Gladbach	Yes	Director Kelly	Yes
President Martin	Yes	Vice President Mortensen	Yes
Director Orzechowski	Yes	Director Plambeck	Yes

Upon motion of Director Cooper, seconded by Vice President Mortensen and carried, the Board approved the Consent Calendar which included Resolution Nos. SCV-219, SCV-220, SCV-221 and SCV- 222 by the following roll call votes (Item 5):

Director Armitage	Yes	Director Atkins	Yes
Director Braunstein	Yes	Director Colley	Yes
Director Cooper	Yes	Director Ford	Yes
Vice President Gladbach	Yes	Director Kelly	Yes
President Martin	Yes	Vice President Mortensen	Yes
Director Orzechowski	Yes	Director Plambeck	Yes

**RESOLUTION NO. SCV-219**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY  
ADOPTING THE FINAL MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND MITIGATION  
MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM  
UNDER THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT  
FOR THE DEANE TANK SITE EXPANSION PROJECT**

**<https://yourscvwater.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/SCV-Water-Approved-Resolution-070621-Resolution-SCV-219.pdf>**

**RESOLUTION NO. SCV-220**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY  
SETTING SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY TAX RATE FOR  
FISCAL YEAR 2021/22 AND REQUESTING LEVY  
OF TAX BY LOS ANGELES COUNTY**

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**RESOLUTION NO. SCV-221**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY  
SETTING SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY TAX RATE FOR  
FISCAL YEAR 2021/22 AND REQUESTING LEVY  
OF TAX BY VENTURA COUNTY**

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**RESOLUTION NO. SCV-222**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY  
AUTHORIZING THE JULY 2021 WATER SUPPLY CONTRACT PAYMENT**

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Upon motion of Director Plambeck, seconded by Director Orzechowski and carried, the Board approved the procurement of a Blue Star Model NG600-01 Dual Fuel Generator in the amount of approximately \$275,000 by the following roll call votes (Item 6.1):

Director Armitage	Yes	Director Atkins	Yes
Director Braunstein	Yes	Director Colley	Yes



Director Cooper	Yes	Director Ford	Yes
Vice President Gladbach	Yes	Director Kelly	Yes
President Martin	Yes	Vice President Mortensen	Yes
Director Orzechowski	Yes	Director Plambeck	Yes

Upon motion of Director Cooper, seconded by Vice President Gladbach, the Board rejected a resolution dispensing with the four-fifths, majority vote for retail debt by the following roll call votes, 10 yes votes were needed for this item to pass (Item 6.2):

Director Armitage	No	Director Atkins	No
Director Braunstein	No	Director Colley	Yes
Director Cooper	Yes	Director Ford	Yes
Vice President Gladbach	Yes	Director Kelly	Yes
President Martin	Yes	Vice President Mortensen	No
Director Orzechowski	Yes	Director Plambeck	No

Upon motion of Vice President Mortensen, seconded by Director Atkins and carried, the Board approved Resolution No. SCV-223 authorizing the incurrence of obligations exceeding the SB 634 retail debt single issuance limitation for the purpose of financing the acquisition of PFAS Treatment Facilities by the following roll call votes, 10 yes votes were needed for this item to pass (Item 6.2):

Director Armitage	Yes	Director Atkins	Yes
Director Braunstein	Yes	Director Colley	No
Director Cooper	Yes	Director Ford	Yes
Vice President Gladbach	Yes	Director Kelly	Yes
President Martin	Yes	Vice President Mortensen	Yes
Director Orzechowski	Yes	Director Plambeck	Yes

**RESOLUTION NO. SCV-223**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY  
AUTHORIZING THE INCURRENCE OF OBLIGATIONS  
EXCEEDING THE SB 634 RETAIL DEBT SINGLE ISSUANCE LIMITATION  
FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
FINANCING THE ACQUISITION OF PFAS TREATMENT FACILITIES**

**<https://yourscvwater.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/SCV-Water-Approved-Resolution-070621-Resolution-SCV-223.pdf>**

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Upon motion of Director Atkins, seconded by Director Armitage and carried, the Board approved returning to fully in-person Board and Committee meetings as of September 7, 2021 (which would include the September 2, 2021 Engineering and Operations Committee meeting), in accordance with policies, procedures and legal requirements in effect prior to Governor Newsom's stay at home orders of 2020 and as described below with the addition of a presentation coming from the Director of Technology Cris Perez on August 3, 2021 relating to options for remote public participation and costs.

- Attendance by Directors at all Board and Committee meetings will be in-person with no remote attendance permitted without prior approval of the Board President or the full Board.
- Attendance by members of the public at Board and Committee meetings will be in-person only and no remote attendance will be provided.
- Board meetings will be held at the Rio Vista Water Treatment Plant in the Boardroom.
- As requested by staff, the following Committee meetings will be held at Summit Circle in the Training Room: Engineering and Operations, Public Outreach and Legislation, and Water Resources and Watershed. The Finance and Administration Committee will be held at the Rio Vista Water Treatment Plant in the Boardroom.
- Public comment at Board and Committee meetings can be made in person, and/or in writing. For members of the public who are not able to attend meetings in person and wish to submit written comments, we request that they provide them to the Board Secretary for Board meetings by 4:30 PM on the day of the meeting and for Committee meetings to the staff person listed on the Committee agenda by 4:00 PM on the day of the meeting. Public comment made in writing will be distributed to the Board and Committee members prior to the meeting and will be posted on the SCV Water website.
- Public health protocols will be as required by the California Department of Public Health and will require unvaccinated attendees to wear protective face masks.

Approved by the following roll call votes (Item 6.3):

Director Armitage	Yes	Director Atkins	Yes
Director Braunstein	Yes	Director Colley	Yes
Director Cooper	No	Director Ford	Yes
Vice President Gladbach	No	Director Kelly	Yes
President Martin	No	Vice President Mortensen	No
Director Orzechowski	No	Director Plambeck	Yes

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### **General Manager's Report on Activities, Projects and Programs (Item 7).**

The General Manager reported on the following:

His most recent vacation and how he appreciated the time off which he spent with family.

He mentioned that this week our finance staff had "gone live" with our new financial system. Training efforts are now underway with the wider staff who will be working with the system. There is some residual work to "cut over" from the legacy system to close out last fiscal year, and new projects and expenditures will be handled through the new system as they come in. At an appropriate time, we can have our finance team provide an update to the Finance and

Administration Committee and to the Board, if desired. He wanted to acknowledge this significant progress point.

Lastly, he reminded the Board that at the last Board meeting, he had alerted the Board to a developing situation with chlorine supply on the west coast and noted staff would be working on contingency planning. In the ensuing two weeks, much has been accomplished and the Agency appears to be in good shape. He reported that our Chief Operating Officer Keith Abercrombie gave an update at the July 1, 2021 Engineering and Operations Committee meeting, and the Committee recommended that a similar update be provided at a future Board meeting. He will ask Keith and Director of Operations and Maintenance Mike Alvord to give an update to the Board as part of the General Manager report at the July 20, 2021 regular meeting.

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**Committee Meeting Recap Reports for Informational Purposes Only (Item 8).**

There were no comments on the recap reports.

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**Written Reports for Informational Purposes only (Item 9).**

There were no comments on the written reports.

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**President's Report (Item 10).**

The President updated the Board on upcoming meetings and events.

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**AB 1234 Written and Verbal Reports (Item 11).**

Written reports were submitted by Vice Presidents Gladbach and Mortensen and Directors Ford and Plambeck which were included in the Board packet. Additional written reports were submitted by President Martin, Vice President Gladbach and Director Atkins which were posted on the SCV Water website and are part of the record.

Director Cooper reported that he attended the June 23, 2021 ACWA Region 1 Program on Regional Drought Impacts: How Well Managed Water Supplies Went Dry on June 23, 2021 and attended the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual VIA State of the State Program held at the Hyatt on June 25, 2021.

There were no other AB 1234 Reports.

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**Director Reports (Item 12).**

There were no Director reports.

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The Board went into Closed Session at 9:39 PM (Item 13).

The Board was instructed to disconnect from the current call and redial in on a separate teleconference line that was provided to them. President Martin instructed the public members and staff who wanted to stay on the call, to stay on the current teleconference line and once Closed Session has ended, the Board will reconvene for Closed Session announcements and the conclusion of the meeting.

President Martin reconvened the Open Session at 9:56 PM.

Tom Bunn, Esq., reported that pertaining to Item 13.1 Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation – Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Paragraph (2) of Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9, Claim of Fernando Martin Jr. and Judith Hammond against Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency, Claim for Property Damage, Date of Claim June 21, 2021, the Board voted to reject the claim and refer it to the JPIA by motion of Director Cooper, seconded by Director Atkins and carried, by the following roll call votes:

Director Armitage	Yes	Director Atkins	Yes
Director Braunstein	Yes	Director Colley	Yes
Director Cooper	Yes	Director Ford	Yes
Vice President Gladbach	Yes	Director Kelly	Yes
President Martin	Yes	Vice President Mortensen	Yes
Director Orzechowski	Yes	Director Plambeck	Yes

There were no other actions taken in Closed Session that were reportable under the Ralph M. Brown Act (Item 14).

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**Director Requests for Approval for Event Attendance (Item 16).**

There were no Director requests for event attendance.

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**Director Requests for Future Agenda Items (Item 16).**

There were no requests for future Agenda items.

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The meeting was adjourned at 9:57 PM (Item 17).

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April Jacobs, Board Secretary

ATTEST:

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President of the Board

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## BOARD MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** July 20, 2021  
**TO:** Board of Directors  
**FROM:** Mike Alvord *MA*  
Director of Operations & Maintenance  
**SUBJECT:** Approve Receiving and Filing the Public Re-notification of PFOS and PFOA Notification Level Exceedances

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### SUMMARY AND DISCUSSION

In March 2019, State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water (DDW) issued a Source Investigation Order to certain California Water Systems based on sampling results from the 2013 – 2015 Third Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule (UCMR3). In accordance with this Order, Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency (SCV Water) was required to sample 15 drinking water wells for Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) for 4 consecutive quarters beginning in the second quarter of 2019. There are no regulatory standards for any PFAS compounds. However, in June 2018, California's Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) and DDW established interim notification levels (NL) for two PFAS compounds, Perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS) at 14 nanograms per liter (ng/L) and Perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) at 13 ng/L and a response level (RL) for PFOS and PFOA combined of 70 ng/L. In August 2019, DDW revised and lowered the NL for PFOS and PFOA to 6.5 ng/L and 5.1 ng/L respectively. In February 2020, DDW lowered the response levels for PFOS and PFOA to 40 ng/L and 10ng/L respectively. These RLs are based on a quarterly running annual average (RAA). OEHHA is also scheduled to release Public Health Goals for PFOS and PFOA in 2021.

SCV Water has proactively shut down any well exceeding a RAA RL. Currently there are 13 wells offline due to an exceedance of the PFOA RAA RL. There are 3 wells (N, N7, and N8) which have been returned to service with ion exchange treatment to remove PFAS and 3 additional wells (Mitchell 5B, Sierra, and W10) which are below the RAA RL and being returned to service. The next round of quarterly sampling is scheduled for August 2021.

Therefore, in accordance with State law (Health and Safety §116455) SCV Water is required to notify the governing bodies of any local agencies whose jurisdictions include areas supplied with their drinking water within thirty (30) days of official notice of results from the analytical laboratory. This includes SCV Water Board of Directors, Santa Clarita City Council and the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors. Attached is the notice to the SCV Water Board of Directors. In addition, SCV Water will provide consumer notice in its annual Consumer Confidence Report. We will update the Board with any further required notification after additional information and results are received.

### FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

None.

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the Board of Directors receive and file the public notification of PFOS and PFOA notification level exceedances, which is attached.

Attachment

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## Re-notification of PFAS Detection in SCV Wells

*Issued July 20, 2021*

State law requires public water systems to notify local governing bodies whenever a well exceeds a maximum contaminant level, notification level, or a response level. This notification is being provided to the Santa Clarita City Council, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, and the Board of Directors of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency. The last notification letter was sent in January of 2021.

### **Record of PFAS in the Santa Clarita Valley**

In May 2019, as part of quarterly sampling required by the State Water Resources Control Board – Division of Drinking Water (DDW), SCV Water sampled 15 wells for per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). Of the wells tested, 8 were above the interim notification levels (NL), however none were above the response level (RL) set by DDW.

SCV Water then elected to voluntarily sample all active wells on a quarterly basis. The total current impact in our service area is 13 wells out of service due to PFAS exceeding response levels, and three wells returned to service after installation of a treatment facility. Additional treatment facilities are planned or under design or construction to return more wells to service in the coming years.

DDW recommends that consumers receiving water exceeding the NL and RL be notified. In addition to inclusion in our annual water quality consumer confidence report, SCV Water outreach on this issue includes:

- A webpage dedicated to PFAS information at [www.yourSCVwater.com/PFAS](http://www.yourSCVwater.com/PFAS).
- Special edition e-newsletters on PFAS.
- Press releases on sampling results, treatment plans and other related activity.
- Participation in water industry panels.
- State and regional awards for crisis communication and outreach efforts on the PFAS issue.
- American Public Works Association – High Desert Chapter Environmental Project of the Year award

### **What are PFAS?**

PFAS are a large group of human-made substances, including PFOS and PFOA, that do not occur naturally in the environment. They are resistant to heat, water, and oil. PFAS have been used extensively in surface coating and protectant formulations. PFOA and PFOS are no longer manufactured or imported into the United States; however, there could still be some imported goods containing trace amounts of these substances.

Based on the evaluation of human and animal toxicity data, exposure to PFOA and PFOS in tap water over certain levels may result in adverse health effects including hepatotoxicity, immunotoxicity, thyroid toxicity, reproductive toxicity, and cancer (pancreatic and liver).

SCV Water has assembled a team of staff and industry experts to assess and implement treatment options, as well as continue testing all active wells in our system.

Additional information can be found at <https://yourscvwater.com/pfas/>.

Anyone with questions about this notice should contact Ryan Bye, Water Quality Supervisor for SCV Water, at (661) 388-4988.

**Sampling results from May 2021.** These are wells currently in use which exceed the Notification Level. No wells exceeding the Response Level are in service, except those with operational treatment facilities installed which are effective at removing PFOS and PFOA.

Well	PFOS	PFOA
Notification Level (ng/L)	6.5	5.1
207	4.2	6.6
C1	6.5	<2.0
E15	4.7	6.9
E17	3.8	5.9
Lost Canyon 2	9.1	4.4
Lost Canyon 2A	7.3	3.5
Mitchell 5A	9.4	5.7
Mitchell 5B	15	6.7
P1	18	8.7
Sierra	16	7.0
W10	4.6	8.0

**Notification level:** The concentration level of a contaminant in drinking water delivered for human consumption that the department has determined, based on available scientific information, does not pose a significant health risk but warrants notification pursuant to this section. Notification levels are nonregulatory, health-based advisory levels established by the department for contaminants in drinking water for which maximum contaminant levels have not been established. Notification levels are established as precautionary measures for contaminants that may be considered candidates for establishment of maximum contaminant levels, but have not yet undergone or completed the regulatory standard setting process prescribed for the development of maximum contaminant levels and are not drinking water standards.

**Response level:** The concentration of a contaminant in drinking water delivered for human consumption at which the department recommends that additional steps, beyond notification pursuant to this section, be taken to reduce public exposure to the contaminant. Response levels are established in conjunction with notification levels for contaminants that may be considered candidates for establishment of maximum contaminant levels, but have not yet undergone or completed the regulatory standard setting process prescribed for the development of maximum contaminant levels and are not drinking water standards.



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# CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT

**SCV Water**  
**Regular Board Meeting**

## What is a CCR?

- CCR stands for Consumer Confidence Report
- Prior to the 1996 Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments, it was referred to as the Annual Water Quality Report (AWQR)
- Consists of water quality and other data from the previous calendar year



## WHO MUST PREPARE A CCR?

- All Community “Public” Water Systems
- All Nontransient-noncommunity
  - Public Water System (PWS), same 25 people, over 6 months per year

\*Currently SCV Water has 7 separate PWS Codes\*



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## WHY IS THERE A CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT?

- California AWQR 1990
- Safe Drinking Water Act 1996
- Includes specific information
- Goals of community trust and transparency



Next to doing the  
right thing, the most  
important thing is to  
Let people know  
you are doing  
the right thing.

**John D. Rockefeller**



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## WHAT CONTENT IS REQUIRED IN THE CCR?

- Water sources
  - Groundwater, surface water
- Drinking Water Source Assessment
  - New water sources
- Board meetings
- Contact information





## WHAT CONTENT IS REQUIRED IN THE CCR?

- Primary drinking water standards (health-based)
  - Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCL)
- Microbiological contaminants
  - Total coliform (TC)
- Treatment plant turbidity
  - Treatment techniques (TT)



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## WHAT CONTENT IS REQUIRED IN THE CCR?

- Lead and copper
  - Consumer Taps
- Sodium and hardness
- Secondary drinking water standards (aesthetic)
  - Secondary MCL
- Unregulated contaminants
- ***Boilerplate language***





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## Water Quality Report

Clean, Safe Water That Our Customers Can Trust

The State Water Resources Control Board Division of Drinking Water (DDW) requires community water systems to publish and make available an annual Consumer Confidence Report to provide background on the quality of your water and to show compliance with federal and state drinking water standards.

This 2021 Annual Water Quality Report is a snapshot of the quality of local water supplies in the Santa Clarita Valley during 2020. Included are details about where your water comes from, what it contains and how it compares to strict Federal and State standards. We are committed to providing you with information because informed customers are our best allies.



[YOURSCVWATER.COM](http://YOURSCVWATER.COM)

## Our Promise to Our Customers: Clean, Safe Water That You Can Trust

Dear Customer:

The past year has brought all of us challenges and uncertainty. One thing that our customers can rest assured about is that our team of essential workers continues to provide you with clean, safe water day and night.

SCV Water and Los Angeles Waterworks District #36 have worked together to provide you with our 2021 Water Quality Report that explains:



Where your water comes from

How we treat and monitor it thousands of times per year

How we ensure its safety when it reaches your tap

As you read this report, you'll also find important information on our Agency's future planning efforts, programs and initiatives. We appreciate playing such a large role in the fabric of the Santa Clarita Valley and being a trusted source for your water supply.

**Matthew G. Stone**  
General Manager | SCV Water



**Russ Bryden**  
Assistant Deputy Director | LACWD #36



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## WHERE DOES OUR WATER COME FROM?

SANTA CLARITA VALLEY SUPPLY PORTFOLIO

SCV Water's water supply comes from four main sources: imported water, groundwater, recycled water and water banking (storage). Leveraging multiple sources of water ensures our customers always have water when they need it.



### GROUNDWATER

More than a quarter (17,300 acre-feet) of our water comes from local, sustainable groundwater sources. These underground water aquifers store water that naturally comes from precipitation.



### RECYCLED WATER

Less than one percent of our water currently comes from recycled water. Future plans will expand our recycled water use for outdoor irrigation to ensure our customers have a reliable water source for years to come.



### IMPORTED WATER

We rely on imported water from the State Water project for nearly 75 percent (48,300 acre-feet) of our water needs. This water journeys hundreds of miles from the Sierra Nevada's in Northern California before reaching the Santa Clarita Valley.



### STORED (BANKED) WATER

Our Agency also stores (banks) 141,000 acre-feet of water in nearby Kern County. This water is available to us in times of need, such as during a drought or emergency.

## SCV WATER SNAPSHOT

Serving our community safe, reliable water that meets or surpasses rigorous state and federal standards is a hallmark of our agency. It takes a lot of testing, storage reservoirs, and pipes, along with our talented team of water professionals, to make sure water is delivered to your homes 24/7.



**75,000**  
Service Connections



**274,000**  
Population Served



**195**  
Square Miles of Service Area



**20,000**  
Water Tests Per Year



**20+ Billion**  
Gallons of Water Served to Customers



**141,000 Acre-feet**  
Water Stored in Kern County



**95**  
Local Water Storage Tanks



**163 Million**  
Gallons of Water Storage Capacity



**879 Miles**  
Pipeline

## Water Talk: How much water is in an acre-foot?

One acre-foot of water equals 325,851 gallons of water. That's enough water to cover a football field one foot deep; combined, our water sources equal 206,870 acre-feet



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## LEAD AND COPPER

Every three years, each water system is required to sample for lead and copper at specific customer taps as part of the Lead and Copper Rule. Lead and copper are also tested in source water supplies (i.e., groundwater and surface water). In 2019, SCV Water also tested all public K-12 schools in the service area. No traces of lead were detected in any source waters in the Santa Clara Valley by any of the local water systems.

Infants and young children are typically more vulnerable to lead in drinking water than the general population, and serious health problems could result. Your water system is responsible for providing high-quality drinking water but cannot control the materials used in customer plumbing components. It is possible

that lead levels at your home may be higher than at other homes in the community as a result of materials used in your home's plumbing.

If you are concerned about elevated lead levels in your home's water, you may wish to have your water tested by a private laboratory. If your water has been sitting for several hours, you can flush your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using tap water. Additional information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the USEPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800) 426-4791 or at [www.epa.gov/lead](http://www.epa.gov/lead).

## DRINKING WATER SOURCE ASSESSMENT AND PROTECTION

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances reacting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants such as viruses and bacteria that may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, that can be naturally occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides that may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals that are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, agricultural application, and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants that can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

To ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the USEPA and the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) Division of Drinking Water

## ORGANIC COMPOUNDS

Organic chemical compounds including synthetic and volatile organic compounds (VOC) are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production. Treated imported surface water and local groundwater wells are tested at least annually for VOCs. Trichloroethylene (TCE) and tetrachloroethylene (PCE) were found in trace amounts (below the MCL) at a few locations. Consumption of water containing TCE or PCE in excess of the MCL over many years may lead to liver problems and an increased risk of cancer.

## TURBIDITY

Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of the water. We monitor it because it is a good indicator of water quality. High turbidity can hinder the effectiveness of disinfectants. Furthermore, at the treatment plants, turbidity is monitored because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of our filtration systems.

District 35 will begin work to replace an aged water main in the unincorporated community of Val Verde, on Del Valle Road, Hasley Canyon Road to Lincoln Avenue. Crews will install a new water main to enhance water conservation and improve water supply throughout the district. This work is scheduled to begin October 2021 through March 2022.

**SCV WATER - NEWHALL WATER DIVISION** serves customers located in the Santa Clara, Pinetree and Tesoro del Valle areas. In 2020, Catalytic customers received 20% imported water and 75% local groundwater. Newhall customers received 26% imported water and 74% local groundwater. Pinetree customers received 100% imported water, and Tesoro del Valle customers received 100% imported water.

**SCV WATER - SANTA CLARITA WATER DIVISION** provides water to a portion of the City of Santa Clarita and unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County including Saugus, Canyon Country, and Newhall. Customers received approximately 84% imported water and 16% local groundwater in 2020.

**SCV WATER - VALENCIA WATER DIVISION** supplies water to customers in Valencia, Stevenson Ranch, and parts of Castaic, Saugus, and Newhall. In 2020, customers received 73% imported water, 26% local groundwater, and 2% recycled water (delivered to large landscape customers).

## CHEMICALS IN THE NEWS

### PERCHLORATE

Perchlorate is an inorganic chemical used in solid rocket propellant, fireworks, explosives and a variety of industries. It usually gets into drinking water as a result of environmental contamination from historic industrial operations that used, stored, or disposed of perchlorate and its salts. Perchlorate has been shown to interfere with uptake of iodide by the thyroid gland, and thereby reduce the production of thyroid hormones leading to adverse effects associated with inadequate hormone levels.

A known perchlorate contaminant plume has been identified and several wells have tested positive for perchlorate. In October 2020, the DWD adopted an MCL of 5 µg/L for perchlorate. DOW issued an amendment to SCVMA's Imported Division's Domestic Water Supply Permit on December 30, 2020, authorizing the use of the perchlorate treatment facility and, on January 29, 2021, SCVMA - Imported Division introduced the

treated water into the distribution system in full compliance with the requirements of its amended water-supply permit.

**PFAS AND POLYFLUOROPOLYMER SUBSTANCES (PFAS)** Per- and polyfluorinated substances (PFAS) are a group of chemicals that are resistant to heat, water, and oil. PFAS have been classified by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) as an emerging contaminant on the national landscape.

The EPA has not yet established enforceable drinking water standards, called maximum contaminant levels (MCL), for these substances, but they have issued a Health Advisory Level of 70 nanograms per liter (ng/L) for a combined level of two of the more prevalent PFAS substances, perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) and perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS). In addition, the California State Water Resources Control Board - Division of Drinking Water (DDW) has set notification and response levels for PFOA and PFOS. A notification level (NL) is a health based advisory level for constituents lacking an MCL, and requires public notification for constituents exceeding these values. A response level (RL) is a non-regulatory, precautionary, health-based measure, where DDW recommends removing a water source from service, blend or provide treatment if that option is available.

In June 2018, DDW set initial RLs for PFOA (0.4 ng/L) and PFOS (0.3 ng/L) and published response level for PFOA and PFOS of 70 ng/L. In March 2019, DDW issued a series of orders related to the sampling for PFAS chemicals. After an initial round of monitoring, SCV Water voluntarily removed one well from service, which exceeded the combined RL. Then in February 2020, DDW revised the NLs and adopted individual RLs for PFOA (10 ng/L) and PFOS (40 ng/L) based on a running annual average. SCV Water responded by voluntarily removing 14 additional wells from service.

Since February 2020, additional wells were voluntarily removed from service as ongoing monitoring revealed PFOA concentrations approaching the RL. In December, 2020 SCV Water brought the first ion exchange treatment for PFAS online, bringing three wells back into service. Currently, SCV Water is in various stages of design and construction for PFAS treatment plants to return more of these wells back into service.

Sample results tabulated in the table of this report are for the 2020 calendar year. However, SCV Water continues sampling PFAS on a continuing basis. Data in this table may reflect wells that are no longer in service. For more information and resources on PFAS, visit [yourSCVWater.com/pfas](http://yourSCVWater.com/pfas).

## ABBREVIATIONS

AL - Action List
DUR - District/Utility Reporting
ML - Maximum Reporting Limit
ESP - End-Survey/Exception Point
MCL - Maximum Contaminant Level
MCL - Maximum Contaminant Level Goal
ML / L - Maximum / Limit
MS / CM - Maximum / Compliance
ML - Non-Available / Non-Available
NTU - Nephelometric Turbidity Unit
MCL / L - Maximum / Limit
PHG - Public Health Goal
RMTP - Rio Vista Water Treatment Plant

TT - Treatment Technique
RL - Response Limit
* SWRCB consent SDCQL to its use, or otherwise set consent
† Refer to the test method column for values left blank in the table. Values left blank in the table are not available.
* Drinking chemical, threshold
† Response limit MCL/RL for a specific
The RL is the recommended MCL
The RL is the current MCL
The RL is the current MCL
* The MCL is 500 µg/L or 1 µg/L
† The MCL is 500 µg/L or 1 µg/L
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† The MCL is 500 µg/L or 1 µg/L





PARAMETERS/ CONSTITUENTS	UNITS	MCL (AL) (RL)	PHG (MCLG)	DLR (MRL)	SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY IMPORT DIVISION (% GROUNDWATER AND % SURFACE WATER)			IMPORT DIVISION PERCHLORATE TREATMENT PLANT			SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY SANTA CLARITA WATER DIVISION			
					RANGE		TYPICAL	RANGE		TYPICAL	RANGE		TYPICAL	
					MINIMUM	MAXIMUM		MINIMUM	MAXIMUM		MINIMUM	MAXIMUM		
INORGANICS														
Aluminum	mg/L	1	0.6	0.05	<DLR	<DLR	<DLR	<DLR	<DLR	<DLR	<DLR	<DLR	0.2	<DLR
Arsenic	ug/L	10	0.004	2	<DLR	<DLR	<DLR	<DLR	<DLR	<DLR	<DLR	<DLR	2.3	<DLR
Fluoride <sup>2-</sup>	mg/L	2	1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.4
Barium	mg/L	1	2	0.1	<DLR	<DLR	<DLR	<DLR	<DLR	<DLR	<DLR	<DLR	0.1	0.1
Nitrate (as Nitrogen)	mg/L	10	10	0.4	<DLR	<DLR	<DLR	3.4	4.1	3.7	3.3	7.5	4.7	

- Parameters/Constituents

- Inorganics
- Organics
- Disinfection by-Products
- Microbiological
- Clarity/Turbidity
- Radiological
- Lead and Copper
- Secondary Standards
- Additional Tests

- Units

- Milligrams/Liter (mg/L)
- Micrograms/Liter (ug/L)
- Nanograms/Liter (ng/L)
- Picocuries/Liter (pCi/L)
- Nephelometric Turbidity Units (NTU)
- Threshold Odor Number (TON)
- Microsiemens/Centimeter (uS/cm)

- Regulatory Limits

- Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)
- Action Level (AL)
- Response Level (RL)
- Public Health Goal (PHG)
- Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG)
- Detection Limit for Report (DLR)
- Method Reporting Limit (MRL)

- Data

- Minimum Concentration
- Maximum Concentration
- Typical "average" Concentration



# WHEN MUST A WATER SYSTEM COMPLETE A CCR?



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## HOW MUST THE CCR BE DISTRIBUTED?

- Hard Copy
- Electronic Delivery
  - Email
  - Billing Notice
  - Direct mailer



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## 2021 WATER QUALITY REPORT

<https://yourscvwater.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/2021-SCV-Water-Quality-Report.pdf>

**THIS NOTICE CONTAINS INSTRUCTIONS FOR YOU TO OBTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER. TRANSLATE IT, OR SPEAK WITH SOMEONE WHO UNDERSTANDS IT.**

The Consumer Confidence Report, or CCR, is an annual water quality report that the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) requires SCV Water to provide all of its customers. The purpose of the CCR is to raise customers' awareness of the quality of their drinking water, where their drinking water comes from, what it takes to deliver water to their homes, and the importance of protecting drinking water sources.

**Cantonese - 本報告包含閣下飲用水的重要資料。如需廣東話服務，請聯絡 scv Water, (661) 294-0828.**  
**Farsi, Persian**

گوجی و 294-0828 (661) فست SCV Water ، صعه به اطلاعات مهمی در مورد آب آشامیدنی آپ مورد در میهنی اطلاعات شامل گزارش آرماید مراجعه نظر مورد  
**Hindi - इस रिपोर्ट में आपके पीने के जल से सम्बंधित महत्वपूर्ण जानकारी है। किसी भी सहायता के लिए, scv Water को संपर्क करें। (661) 294-0828 पर संपर्क करें।**

**Japanese-この報告書には上水道に関する重要な情報が記されており、ご質問等ございましたら、scv Water, (661) 294-0828まで日本語でご連絡下さい。**

**Korean-이 보고서는 당신의 식수에 관한 중요한 정보를 포함하고 있습니다. 한국어로 된 도움을 원하시면 scv Water, (661) 294-0828 로 문의 하시기 바랍니다.**

**Tagalog- Ang pag-uulat na ito ay naglalaman ng mahalagang impormasyon tungkol sa inyong inuming tubig. Mangyaring makipag-ugnayan sa SCV Water o tumawag sa (661) 294-0828 para matulungan sa wikang Tagalog.**

**Vietnamese - Báo cáo này chứa thông tin quan trọng về nước uống của bạn. Xin vui lòng liên hệ SCV Water tại (661) 294-0828 để được trợ giúp bằng tiếng Việt.**

**Arabic- شركة المياه الامتدادية على التقرير هذا يحتوي العربية باللغة الامتدادية على معلومات عن جودة مياه الشرب في مدينة فالنسيا بولاية كاليفورنيا (661)294-0828 رقم جسي**

To view your 2021 Consumer Confidence Report and to learn more about your drinking water, please visit the following URL - <https://yourscvwater.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/2021-SCV-Water-Quality-Report.pdf> after June 30, 2021.

If you would like to receive a paper copy of the 2021 CCR mailed to you, please fill out your information below and return to 24631 Ave. Rockefeller, Valencia, CA 91355

Account #: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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## INFORME de CALIDAD del AGUA

<https://yourscvwater.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/2021-SCV-Water-Quality-Report.pdf>

**ESTE AVISO CONTIENE INSTRUCCIONES PARA QUE USTED PUEDA OBTENER INFORMACIÓN IMPORTANTE ACERCA DE SU AGUA DE TOMAR. TRADUZCALO O HABLE CON ALGUIEN QUE SE LO PUEDA EXPLICAR.**

El Reporte de Confianza del Consumidor, o CCR, es un reporte anual de la calidad del agua que el Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) le requiere al SCV Water para proveérselo a usted. El propósito del CCR es de darle más conocimiento a los clientes de la calidad del agua de tomar, de donde proviene el agua de tomar, lo que se necesita para llevar agua a sus hogares, y la importancia de la protección de las fuentes de agua de tomar.

Para ver su reporte de Confianza del Consumidor del 2021 y para aprender más acerca de su agua de tomar, por favor visite el siguiente enlace URL - <https://yourscvwater.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/2021-SCV-Water-Quality-Report.pdf> después de Junio 30, 2021.

Si usted desea una copia en papel de la CCR del 2021 enviada por correo, por favor llene la siguiente información y devuélvala a la siguiente dirección: 24631 Ave. Rockefeller, Valencia, CA 91355.

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Nombre: \_\_\_\_\_

Dirección de envío: \_\_\_\_\_



## CCR CERTIFICATION

- CCR certification form
- Copy of CCR
- Good Faith Efforts



# Questions?



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**Director AB1234 Report**

**Director Name:** Beth Braunstein

**Meeting Attended:** VIA State of the State luncheon

**Date of Meeting:** June 25, 2021

**Meeting to be Presented At:** July 19, 2021

Senator Scott Wilk and Assemblywoman Suzette Valladares both shared their views on the past year, their accomplishments and their hopes for the future.