

MINUTES OF THE ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
VISTA IRRIGATION DISTRICT

October 15, 2025

An Adjourned Meeting of the Board of Directors of Vista Irrigation District was held on Wednesday, October 15, 2025 at the offices of the District, 1391 Engineer Street, Vista, California.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

President Sanchez called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Directors present: Miller, Nuñez, Kuchinsky, MacKenzie, and Sanchez.

Directors absent: None.

Staff present: Brett Hodgkiss, General Manager; Ramae Ogilvie, Secretary of the Board; Lesley Dobalian, Director of Water Resources; Randy Whitmann, Director of Engineering; Frank Wolinski, Director of Operations and Field Services; Shallako Goodrick, Director of Administration; and Elizabeth Xaverius, Administrative Assistant. General Counsel Elizabeth Mitchell of Burke, Williams & Sorensen was also present.

Other attendees: LaVonne Peck of the San Luis Rey Indian Water Authority was present via teleconference.

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Director Nuñez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

25-10-112	<i>Upon motion by Director MacKenzie, seconded by Director Miller and unanimously carried (5 ayes: Miller, Nuñez, Kuchinsky, MacKenzie, and Sanchez), the Board of Directors approved the agenda as presented.</i>
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**5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

No public comments were presented on items not appearing on the agenda.

**6. CONSENT CALENDAR**

25-10-113	<i>Upon motion by Director Miller, seconded by Director Kuchinsky and unanimously carried (5 ayes: Miller, Nuñez, Kuchinsky, MacKenzie, and Sanchez), the Board of Directors approved the Consent Calendar, including Resolution No. 2025-30 approving disbursements.</i>
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A. Minutes of the Fiscal Policy Committee meeting on September 10, 2025

The Board noted and filed the minutes of the September 10, 2025 Fiscal Policy Committee meeting.

B. Minutes of Board of Directors meeting on October 1, 2025

The minutes of October 1, 2025 were approved as presented.

C. Resolution ratifying check disbursements

**RESOLUTION NO. 2025-30**

**BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of Vista Irrigation District does hereby approve checks numbered 78304 through 78395 drawn on US Bank totaling \$1,150,590.90.**

**FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Directors does hereby authorize the execution of the checks by the appropriate officers of the District.**

**PASSED AND ADOPTED unanimously by a roll call vote of the Board of Directors of Vista Irrigation District this 15th day of October 2025.**

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**7. DISTRICT FEES AND CHARGES OTHER THAN WATER RATES**

See staff report attached hereto.

President Sanchez opened the public hearing at 9:04 a.m. It was noted that there was one member of the public present in the Boardroom and one member of the public present on the teleconference line; no comments were provided verbally or in writing.

Director of Administration Shallako Goodrick said that each year the District reviews its fees and charges other than water rates to ensure that they accurately reflect the actual costs associated with providing services. Additionally, every other year, staff performs time and motion studies related to the services being provided; these studies were done this year. She said the proposed increases are necessary due to inflationary factors affecting the cost of labor, materials/parts and outside services. Ms. Goodrick stated that the proposed changes would increase revenues and expenses to the District by approximately \$186,000 with a net effect of zero, if the number and type of transactions remained similar to those in the past.

Ms. Goodrick stated that the fully burdened labor rate, which incorporates adjustments to wages, benefits and other burden related costs, increased by 11 percent. It was noted that the labor rate is calculated annually based on actual costs and that wage costs increased by nine percent driven largely by inflation (generally based on the U.S. Department of Labor’s Consumer Price Index – All Urban Consumers – San Diego, California). She said that part costs had increased by 3.5 percent overall.

Ms. Goodrick reviewed the proposed fee summary list, highlighting fees with the largest percentage increases; most notable were the increases to Construction-related fees which were due to significant increases in paving costs (48 percent increase), material and trucking costs (27 percent increase) and the addition of traffic control costs in the calculation of several of the fees. She said that staff is proposing to add one new Engineering fee, Construction Change Plan Check fee, to cover costs associated with reviewing and approving additional plan changes needed during construction on projects that do not require an inspection deposit. Ms. Goodrick also said that staff proposes to remove the Private Ownership Agreement fee, as it is rarely utilized. If needed, the cost of this service can be handled with a deposit and tracking of actual expenses and time.

The Board discussed the proposed fee adjustments and received clarifications as needed. Ms. Goodrick provided clarification on Customer Service fees related to delinquent payments and said that the District offers payment arrangements to customers so that they can avoid accruing fees. There was a brief discussion related to the notification process for delinquent payments, and Ms. Goodrick said she would provide copies of the Late Fee and the Discontinuation of Water (Disconnection Warning) notices to the Board.

Ms. Goodrick stated that the notice of the public hearing on District fees and charges other than water rates was published in the San Diego Union Tribune; notice was also provided to the Building Industry Association of San Diego as well as other interested parties such as developers and consultants.

There being no further comments, the Board took the following action:

25-10-114	<i>Upon motion by Director MacKenzie, seconded by Director Miller and unanimously carried (5 ayes: Miller, Nuñez, Kuchinsky, MacKenzie, and Sanchez), at 9:44 a.m. the Board of Directors closed the public hearing.</i>
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25-10-115	<i>Upon motion by Director Miller, seconded by Director Nuñez the Board of Directors adopted Resolution No. 2025-31 revising the District's Rules and Regulations to incorporate increases to the fees and charges other than water rates by the following roll call vote:</i>
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<i>AYES:</i>	<i>Miller, Nuñez, Kuchinsky, MacKenzie, and Sanchez</i>
<i>NOES:</i>	<i>None</i>
<i>ABSENT:</i>	<i>None</i>
<i>ABSTAIN:</i>	<i>None</i>

*Resolution No. 2025-31 is on file in the official Resolutions book of the District.*

## **8. 2025 TRIENNIAL PUBLIC HEALTH GOAL REPORT**

See staff report attached hereto.

President Sanchez opened the public hearing at 9:45 a.m. It was noted that there was one member of the public present in the Boardroom and one member of the public present on the teleconference line; no comments were provided verbally or in writing.

Director of Operations and Field Services Frank Wolinski reviewed the 2025 Triennial Public Health Goal Report (report), stating that public water systems serving more than 10,000 service connections are required to prepare a written report and conduct a public hearing triennially to inform the public when any constituents are detected in the drinking water that exceed the applicable public health goal (PHG). He reviewed the basis of the PHGs which are deemed by the California Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Environmental Health and Hazard Assessment as “concentrations of contaminants in drinking water that...pose no significant health risk if consumed for a lifetime”. Mr. Wolinski stated that the report includes water quality data from five treatment plants that serve treated water to the District, water quality data collected within the District’s water distribution system (total coliform) and water quality data collected at private residences (copper). He reviewed the various constituents that exceeded the PHG or maximum contaminant level goal (MCLG) and said that the report concluded that the District’s water quality meets all state and federal drinking water standards set to protect public health; no action to incorporate new treatment technologies to reduce constituent levels to below the PHG or MCLG is proposed.

The Board discussed the findings of the report and received clarifications as needed. President Sanchez thanked Mr. Wolinski and staff for the transparent and informative report, and it was suggested that a summary of the report, including Board action, be made available to the public.

There being no further comments, the Board took the following action:

25-10-116 *Upon motion by Director MacKenzie, seconded by Director Miller and unanimously carried (5 ayes: Miller, Nuñez, Kuchinsky, MacKenzie, and Sanchez), at 10:05 a.m. the Board of Directors closed the public hearing and accepted the 2025 Triennial Public Health Goal Report.*

**9. 2026 BOARD MEETING DATES**

See staff report attached hereto.

The Board reviewed the Board meeting dates for 2026. Director Nuñez inquired if the Board had considered holding its meetings in the evenings to allow the public more opportunity to attend. It was noted that the District had held evening meetings in the past and had very little or no additional public attendance. The Board indicated that it was not opposed to considering possible evening start times for meetings in which public comments were to be received.

After a brief discussion, the Board established its 2026 Board meeting dates, making the following adjustments to resolve known conflicts: scheduled one meeting in May on May 13, 2026; shifted the Board meeting dates in July and September to the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month, July 8 and July 22, 2026 and September 9 and September 23, 2026, respectively; and scheduled one Board meeting in December on December 16, 2026. The Board also scheduled a Special Board meeting for Ethics Training on April 2, 2026. All Board meetings will begin at 9:00 a.m.

25-10-117 *Upon motion by Director MacKenzie, seconded by Director Nuñez and unanimously carried (5 ayes: Miller, Nuñez, Kuchinsky, MacKenzie, and Sanchez), the Board of Directors established the 2026 Board meeting dates.*

**10. MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE ACTIVITIES OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY**

See staff report attached hereto.

Director Miller reported that the San Diego County Water Authority (Water Authority)'s General Manager Dan Denham has been working on inter-agency water transfer agreements in a concerted effort to lower water rates. He discussed several changes taking place on the Water Authority Board with the retirements of representatives from several member agencies. Director Miller reported that the San Diego City Council had postponed its decision on proposed water rate increases to October, noting that rates are proposed to increase by 63 percent over a four-year period. He stated that the Metropolitan Water District Board of Directors appointed Shivaji Deshmukh as the agency's new General Manager.

**11. MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

See staff report attached hereto.

President Sanchez reported that he attended a California Special Districts Association (CSDA) Professional Development Committee meeting where the attendance of various CSDA Events and the Annual Conference were reviewed. He commented on the upcoming Association of California Water

Agencies (ACWA) Region 10 event in November and expressed his appreciation that Director Kuchinsky would be attending the event.

Director Nuñez stated that he will be attending the Water Authority's Citizens Water Academy this afternoon and on October 16 and 18, 2025.

Director Kuchinsky informed the Board that he would not be attending the Vista Chamber of Commerce Government Affairs meetings in November or December and would not be attending the ACWA Fall Conference on December 3-5, 2025, as previously approved, due to scheduling conflicts. He asked the Board Secretary to cancel his ACWA Conference registration and stated that he would reimburse the District for the cancelation fee.

Director MacKenzie reported on her attendance at the CSDA Professional Development Committee meeting, noting that this committee is responsible for choosing the recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award. She reported that she also attended meetings of the CSDA Membership Committee, Finance Corporation Committee and Board of Directors.

Directors Miller, Nuñez, and MacKenzie requested authorization to attend the CSDA Quarterly Dinner Meeting on November 20, 2025.

25-10-118	<i>Upon motion by Director Miller, seconded by Director Sanchez and unanimously carried (5 ayes: Miller, Nuñez, Kuchinsky, MacKenzie, and Sanchez), the Board of Directors authorized Directors Miller, Nuñez and MacKenzie to attend the CSDA Quarterly Dinner Meeting on November 20, 2025 in San Diego.</i>
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## 12. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS AND/OR PRESS RELEASES

See staff report attached hereto.

President Sanchez commented on the Strategic Plan review future agenda item and suggested that governance be a topic discussed as part of this item. He recommended that the Board form an ad hoc committee comprised of the Board President and First Vice President to work with General Manager on this matter and make recommendations on how to proceed for Board consideration.

## 13. COMMENTS BY DIRECTORS

Director Miller commented that he would be attending the San Diego Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) Advisory meeting on October 17, 2025 where they will be discussing the Municipal Service Review for the Water Authority.

Director MacKenzie commented that she will also be attending the San Diego LAFCO Advisory meeting virtually and noted there would also be discussions related to the development of a weighted water rate comparison formula.

Director Kuchinsky issued an apology to the Board and staff regarding recent actions he took as a private citizen and ratepayer to encourage other ratepayers to protest the proposed District rate increases and acknowledged, although unintentional, that his efforts reflected negatively on the District, Board and staff. He said that he has discontinued those efforts and will limit his comments and discussions regarding all District matters to Board meetings.

**14. COMMENTS BY GENERAL COUNSEL**

Ms. Mitchell stated that due to time constraints she would reserve her comments until the next meeting of the Board on November 5, 2025.

**15. COMMENTS BY GENERAL MANAGER**

Mr. Hodgkiss reminded the Board about the Sexual Harassment Prevention Training scheduled for the next day and wished Directors Kuchinsky and Nuñez early Happy Birthdays.

At 11:01 a.m. President Sanchez said that the Board would take a brief break and go directly into closed session following the break. Director Nuñez left the meeting at this time.

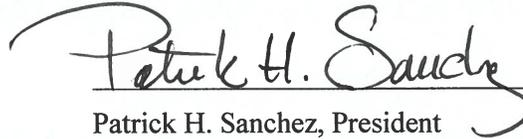
**16. CLOSED SESSION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**

At 11:10 a.m. the Board met in closed session with Legal Counsel to discuss significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9 (d)(2).

At 11:40 a.m. the Board returned to regular session, at which time Director Miller left the meeting. General Counsel Ms. Mitchell reported that there was no reportable action.

**17. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, at 11:44 a.m., President Sanchez adjourned the meeting.

  
Patrick H. Sanchez, President

ATTEST:



Ranae Ogilvie, Secretary  
Board of Directors  
VISTA IRRIGATION DISTRICT



**Cash Disbursement Report**  
 Payment Date 09/17/2025 - 10/01/2025

Payment Number	Payment Date	Vendor	Description	Amount
78304	09/24/2025	Refund Check 78304	Customer Refund - Construction Meter Deposit	1,231.76
78305	09/24/2025	Refund Check 78305	Customer Refund - Construction Meter Deposit	2,183.22
78306	09/24/2025	Refund Check 78306	Customer Refund - Construction Meter Deposit	4,153.43
78307	09/24/2025	Amazon Capital Services	Office Supplies	39.47
	09/24/2025		Rack Shelves	90.91
	09/24/2025		Stream Gauge	52.23
	09/24/2025		Ignition Coils (8) - Truck #79	376.71
	09/24/2025		Spare Tire Access Tools - Trucks #13 & #42	158.94
	09/24/2025		Calendar 2026	58.54
78308	09/24/2025	AquaTechnex, LLC	Application of Phycomycin for Treatment of HAB's	12,801.25
78309	09/24/2025	Ardurra Group, Inc.	Deodar Reservoir Rehabilitation 06/01/24-06/30/24	8,598.20
78310	09/24/2025	AT&T	9391060230/CALNET 08/13/2025 - 09/12/2025 Tel Con	9.93
78311	09/24/2025	Shadowridge Auto Service	Emissions Testing - Truck #43	69.95
	09/24/2025		Emissions Testing - Truck #14	69.95
	09/24/2025		Emissions Testing - Truck #45	69.95
	09/24/2025		Emissions Testing - Truck #63	69.95
	09/24/2025		Smog Test - Truck #13	69.95
	09/24/2025		Emmissions Testing - Truck #6	69.95
	09/24/2025		Emissions Testing - Truck #62	69.95
	09/24/2025		Emission's Testing - Truck #35	69.95
78312	09/24/2025	Badger Meter Inc	Meter 3/4" x 1" electronic read (330)	52,833.58
	09/24/2025		Meter 1" electronic read (22)	4,388.64
	09/24/2025		Meter 5/8" x 3/4" electronic read (104)	9,492.75
78313	09/24/2025	Cecilia's Safety Service Inc	Traffic Control - Robinhood Lane	2,256.25
	09/24/2025		Traffic Control - Footfill Dr	1,805.00
	09/24/2025		Traffic Control - Foothill Dr & Oak Dr	1.00
78314	09/24/2025	City Of Escondido	EVWTP Cost July & August 2025	665,311.75
78315	09/24/2025	Complete Office of California, Inc	2026 Calendar	95.13
78316	09/24/2025	Core & Main	Couplings (6)	891.79
	09/24/2025		8" Pipe & 8" End Cap	2,712.56
	09/24/2025		8" End Cap	236.13
78317	09/24/2025	Dexter Wilson Engineering	Cancel Water Supply Study (APN 166-450-45) - Refund	1,580.00
78318	09/24/2025	Direct Energy	Electric 08/2025 - T & D / Cathodic Protect / Pump Stations	12,254.84
	09/24/2025		Electric 08/2025 - VID Headquarters	2,678.49
78319	09/24/2025	Dudek	Weed Abatement on Flume Roads 07/26/25 - 08/22/25	5,180.00
78320	09/24/2025	Ferguson Waterworks	Clamp 1x6 Repair Full Circle Orangeberg SS (2)	224.94
	09/24/2025		Union 1" CTS COMP X PEP (6)	443.61
	09/24/2025		Clamp 1x3 Repair Full Circle Orangeburg (8)	448.59
	09/24/2025		Coupling 8" Deflection C900 (10)	1,234.05
	09/24/2025		Coupling 1"x1" Female Flare x Super Grip (21)	791.09
	09/24/2025		Service Saddle 6x2 PVC (3)	625.47
	09/24/2025		Brass Inventory	224.62
	09/24/2025		Fire Hydrant LB400 Check Valve (6)	12,372.98
	09/24/2025		Pipe 8" PVC DR-14 C900 (2,200)	51,511.85
	09/24/2025		Pipe 4" PVC DR-14 C900 (700)	4,849.60
	09/24/2025		Wire 10 Copper (2,500)	1,109.56
78321	09/24/2025	Flyers Energy, LLC	Fuel Charge	49.61
78322	09/24/2025	Frank & Son Paving, Inc	Patch Paving	33,422.00

78323	09/24/2025	Grainger	Safety Supplies	255.39
	09/24/2025		Respirator Parts	83.85
	09/24/2025		Run Time Meters	204.07
	09/24/2025		Respirator Parts	18.45
78324	09/24/2025	Hach Company	Lab Turbidimeter	6,513.31
78325	09/24/2025	HELIX Environmental Planning, Inc	AB Pipeline Repl CEQA & Enviromental Svc 08/2025	3,448.75
78326	09/24/2025	International Accreditation Service, Inc	CA ELAP Assessment	6,250.00
78327	09/24/2025	K2 Calibrations LLC	Gas Detector Chargers (2)	706.15
78328	09/24/2025	Jan-Pro of San Diego	Janitorial Service 09/2025	4,497.00
78329	09/24/2025	Ken Grody Ford Carlsbad	Wiper/Turn Signal Switch - Truck #10	99.09
78330	09/24/2025	Lava Propane, LLC	Fill Propane Tank For Forklift - #F-2	36.81
78331	09/24/2025	Lawnmowers Plus Inc	Sharpen Chain Saws	23.98
78332	09/24/2025	Matt Farrar	Reimbursement For CWEA Renewal Membership	370.00
78333	09/24/2025	Mitsogo Inc	Hexnode Cloud Pro Prorated Subscription 2025	1.44
78334	09/24/2025	Moodys	Dump Fees (2)	600.00
78335	09/24/2025	Mutual of Omaha	LTD/STD/Life Insurance 10/2025	7,188.69
78336	09/24/2025	NAPA Auto Parts	Pump for Solvent Tank	408.09
	09/24/2025		Oil Filters - Truck #73	11.80
78337	09/24/2025	North County Auto Parts	Shop Chemicals & Oil	92.19
	09/24/2025		Coil - Truck #79	83.46
78338	09/24/2025	North County Industrial Park	Monthly Association Dues 10/2025	730.00
78339	09/24/2025	O'Reilly Auto Parts	New Battery - Truck #21	221.53
78340	09/24/2025	Pacific Pipeline Supply	Brass Fittings	133.71
	09/24/2025		Brass Inventory	455.20
	09/24/2025		Ell 2" Brass Street 90 Degree (10)	384.29
	09/24/2025		Coupling 8" Repair PVC C900 (7)	1,034.33
	09/24/2025		Coupling 8" Deflection C900 (15)	1,907.91
	09/24/2025		Pipe 8" PVC DR-14 C900 (120)	2,857.80
	09/24/2025		Grease No-Oxide 1 gal (5)	400.53
	09/24/2025		Service Saddle 6x1 PVC (4)	645.17
	09/24/2025		PVC Parts	56.06
78341	09/24/2025	Ramco Petroleum	Fuel	1,676.29
78342	09/24/2025	San Diego Gas & Electric	Electric 08/2025 - Cathodic Protection & TD / Pump Stations	20,874.27
78343	09/24/2025	Santa Fe Car Wash	Car Washes	598.00
78344	09/24/2025	Sectran Security Inc	Armored Transport	231.16
78345	09/24/2025	Sunbelt Rentals	Concrete Buggy	285.01
78346	09/24/2025	Sunrise Materials Inc	Concrete Trowel	57.48
	09/24/2025		Cement 50lb Quikrete (13)	1,118.76
	09/24/2025		Cement 10lb Quikrete (58)	3,069.51
78347	09/24/2025	Bend Genetics, LLC	Lab Analysis - HAB's Samples	985.00
78348	09/24/2025	Midas Service Experts	Tires (4) - Truck #71	1,015.85
78349	09/24/2025	UniFirst Corporation	Uniform Service	247.82
	09/24/2025		Uniform Service	310.30
78350	09/24/2025	Verizon Wireless	Air Cards	152.04
	09/24/2025		Cell Phones 08/16/2025 - 09/15/2025	1,809.37
78351	09/24/2025	Vulcan Materials Company and Affiliates	Cold Mix	3,093.83
78352	09/24/2025	TS Industrial Supply	Discharge Hose & Couplers	264.66
78353	10/01/2025	A-1 Irrigation, Inc	Fuel Filters For Equipment	29.45
78354	10/01/2025	Amazon Capital Services	Computer RAM Memory	312.32
	10/01/2025		Cell Phone Case	19.43
	10/01/2025		New Fuel Line For Pontoon Boat	87.56
	10/01/2025		Trashrack Rakes	122.79

	10/01/2025		Microsoft Surface	1,453.91
	10/01/2025		Retirement Gift	335.51
78355	10/01/2025	AquaTechnex, LLC	Purchase of Phycomycin for HAB's Treatment	43,789.60
	10/01/2025		Application of Phycomycin for HAB's Treatment	10,780.00
78356	10/01/2025	AT&T Mobility	9391013680/CALNET 08/13/2025 - 08/12/2025 Phones	2,012.54
78357	10/01/2025	Shadowridge Auto Service	AC Repair - Truck #79	282.71
	10/01/2025		Smog Test - Truck #47	69.95
	10/01/2025		Smog Test - Truck #9	59.95
	10/01/2025		Smog Test - Truck #41	69.95
	10/01/2025		Smog Test - Truck #8	69.95
	10/01/2025		Smog Test - Truck #46	69.95
	10/01/2025		Smog Test - Truck #6 (Retest)	59.95
	10/01/2025		Smog Test- Truck #29	69.95
78358	10/01/2025	Boot World Inc	Footwear Program	180.00
78359	10/01/2025	Burke, Williams & Sorensen, LLP	Legal - General 08/2025	4,404.30
78360	10/01/2025	Cecilia's Safety Service Inc	Traffic Control - Michigan	1,045.00
	10/01/2025		Traffic Control - Robinhood Lane	831.25
	10/01/2025		Traffic Control - Smilax Rd	2,707.50
	10/01/2025		Traffic Control - Smilax Rd	570.00
78361	10/01/2025	Clinical Lab of San Bernardino Inc	Stage II DBP Samples (3 QTR)	1,200.00
78362	10/01/2025	Complete Office of California, Inc	Office Supplies	836.29
	10/01/2025		Paper	1,134.11
78363	10/01/2025	DIRECTV	Direct TV Service	116.99
78364	10/01/2025	Drug Testing Network Inc	Post Accident Testing	65.00
78365	10/01/2025	Ferguson Waterworks	Rubber Kits For Regs	4,997.90
78366	10/01/2025	Fidelity Security Life Insurance Co (EyeMed)	Vision Insurance 10/2025 - Cobra	14.24
	10/01/2025		Vision Insurance 10/2025 - Cobra	14.24
	10/01/2025		Vision Insurance 10/2025 - Cobra	8.78
	10/01/2025		Vision Insurance 10/2025 - Cobra	14.24
	10/01/2025		Vision Insurance 10/2025 - Cobra	8.78
	10/01/2025		Vision Insurance 10/2025 - Cobra	14.24
	10/01/2025		Vision Insurance 10/2025 - Cobra	14.24
	10/01/2025		Vision Insurance 10/2025 - Cobra	14.24
	10/01/2025		Vision Insurance 10/2025 -Employees	1,549.40
	10/01/2025		Vision Insurance 10/2025 - J MacKenzie	14.24
	10/01/2025		Vision Insurance 10/2025 - M Miller	14.24
	10/01/2025		Vision Insurance 10/2025 - P Sanchez	14.24
	10/01/2025		Vision Insurance 10/2025 - P Kuchinsky	14.24
78367	10/01/2025	Frank & Son Paving, Inc	Patch Paving	46,824.00
78368	10/01/2025	Grainger	Knockout Seals	180.77
	10/01/2025		Run Time Meters	35.84
78369	10/01/2025	Hach Company	CL 17 Reagent	699.73
78370	10/01/2025	Kelly Spicers Stores	Door Hangers	174.02
78371	10/01/2025	Ken Grody Ford Carlsbad	Gaskets - Truck #79	90.46
78372	10/01/2025	Lawnmowers Plus Inc	Chain Saw Sharpenings (4)	47.96
78373	10/01/2025	Lightning Messenger Express	Messenger Service 09/01/25 - 09/15/25	96.00
78374	10/01/2025	McMaster-Carr Supply Company	RWS Well #3 Supplies	216.44
	10/01/2025		Stainless Hardware	38.22
78375	10/01/2025	Mitsogo Inc	Hexnode Cloud Pro Ed w/ Discount	660.96
78376	10/01/2025	Moodys	Dump Fees (2)	600.00
78377	10/01/2025	NAPA Auto Parts	PCV Tube - Truck#79	41.06
	10/01/2025		Oil Filters - Trucks #28, #33, #73	39.01

78378	10/01/2025	North County Auto Parts	Shop Chemicals & Wiper Blades	130.58
	10/01/2025		Gaskets - Truck #79	126.12
	10/01/2025		Fuel Hose - Truck #79	31.72
	10/01/2025		Wiper Blades & Oil	44.72
78379	10/01/2025	Opto 22	SCADA Inventory	4,542.27
78380	10/01/2025	O'Reilly Auto Parts	Spark Plugs - Truck #35	56.07
	10/01/2025		Spark Plugs - Truck #29	76.12
78381	10/01/2025	Parkhouse Tire Inc	Tires (4) - Truck #21	1,262.22
78382	10/01/2025	Ramona Disposal Service	Trash Service	339.28
78383	10/01/2025	Rincon del Diablo MWD	MD Reservoir Water Service	38.86
78384	10/01/2025	Ryan Herco Flow Solutions	Evacuation Pump - Truck #75	4,489.71
78385	10/01/2025	S & R Towing	Tow Truck- Truck #1	437.50
78386	10/01/2025	San Diego Gas & Electric	Electric 08/2025 WCRH	132.68
78387	10/01/2025	Pirtek Carlsbad	Large Hydraulic Hoses For Backhoe (2) - #B25	1,085.50
78388	10/01/2025	Southwest Lift & Equipment, Inc.	Vehicle Lift System - Cross Beam Adapter	6,617.84
78389	10/01/2025	Specialty Mowing Services, Inc	Weed Abatement	4,922.54
78390	10/01/2025	Bend Genetics, LLC	Lab Analysis - HAB's Samples	4,060.00
	10/01/2025		Lab Analysis - Wells/Ditches - Nutrients - HAB's	350.00
78391	10/01/2025	UniFirst Corporation	Uniform Service	298.96
	10/01/2025		Uniform Service	428.45
78392	10/01/2025	United Pacific Services, Inc.	Tree Trimming and Removal Services - Pechstein (8)	7,980.00
	10/01/2025		Tree Trimming and Removal Services - San Luis Rey (10)	7,980.00
78393	10/01/2025	Verizon Wireless	SCADA Remote Access	410.02
78394	10/01/2025	TS Industrial Supply	4.5 in Wilton Vise - Truck #42	230.23
	10/01/2025		3/4 inch Suction Hose - Truck #10	40.35
	10/01/2025		Suction Hose Fittings	84.26
	10/01/2025		Suction Hose Fittings	56.84
	10/01/2025		4" Camlock Fittings	21.47
78395	10/01/2025	Xerox Corporation	Xerox Supplies & Maintenance	230.48
<b>Grand Total:</b>				<b>1,150,590.90</b>



## COMMITTEE REPORT

Agenda Item: 7

Board Meeting Date:

October 15, 2025

Prepared By:

Dirs. Sanchez & Miller

SUBJECT: DISTRICT FEES AND CHARGES OTHER THAN WATER RATES

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Conduct a public hearing for the purpose of receiving comments on proposed increases to Vista Irrigation District fees and charges other than water rates; and
2. Consider adopting Resolution No. 2025-XX revising the Rules and Regulations of Vista Irrigation District to incorporate increases to the fees and charges other than water rates.

PRIOR BOARD ACTION: At its October 23, 2024 meeting, the Board conducted a public hearing for the purpose of receiving comments on revisions to the District's Rules and Regulations relative to fees and charges other than water rates; no public comments, written or oral, were presented. After closing the public hearing, the Board adopted Resolution No. 24-34 revising Rules and Regulations of the District relative to fees and charges other than water rates.

FISCAL IMPACT: The revenue produced by these fees and charges is designed to recover the costs associated with the services provided by the District. Adoption of the new miscellaneous fees and charges will increase revenue and expenses to the District by approximately \$186,000 (from \$1,766,000 to \$1,952,000), if the number and type of transactions are similar to those that have been processed over Fiscal Year 2024.

SUMMARY: Every year, the District performs a nexus study to ensure that its fees and charges accurately reflect the actual costs of providing services and only those costs. As a result, the District's fees and charges need revision to properly account for changes in the cost of labor, parts/materials, and outside services for the coming year. The fee summary attached is a comprehensive list of fees and charges other than water rates; most of the fees and charges for construction and engineering services are associated with new developments or changes to existing developments. The proposed modifications to the fee summary result from changes in labor costs, parts/material costs, burden and costs of outside services.

DETAILED REPORT: Staff has performed detailed costs studies on all fees and charges. The proposed changes are necessary due to inflationary factors. The proposed fees are calculated using current costs for labor, parts/materials, burden and outside services; most of the changes in this fee study are related to increases in labor costs and/or parts/materials costs. Staff will present the changes in individual fees at the Board meeting. The proposed fees reflect the estimated cost of providing services in calendar year 2026.

Staff proposes adding one new fee, Construction Change Plan Check, to cover the cost of reviewing and approving design changes found necessary during construction on projects that do not require an inspection deposit (i.e., projects that do not involve water main extensions, such as fire hydrant and service assembly installations). Staff also proposes removing the Private Ownership Agreement (or Reimbursement Agreement) fee as it is rarely used, and the determination of a fair share reimbursement back to a developer by future connections can be difficult to calculate and time consuming for the District to manage over the 10-year reimbursement period. If needed, the cost of this service can be handled with a deposit and tracking of actual expenses and time.

The Notice of Public Hearing was (and will be) duly published in the San Diego Union-Tribune (Union-Tribune), a newspaper of general circulation in the District's service area on October 5, 2025 and October 13,

2025. The affidavit of publication will be included as part of the administrative record and made available to the public upon receipt from the Union-Tribune. Notice was also provided to the Building Industry Association of San Diego as well as other interested parties such as developers and consultants; as of the writing of this staff report, no comments have been received.

In accordance with Government Code § 66016, the District has made available to the public at the District's headquarters, located at 1391 Engineer Street, Vista, CA 92081, detailed calculations that serve to demonstrate the need for the proposed fee increases and that the amount of the fees and charges proposed will not exceed the estimated amount required to provide the services for which the fees and service charges are levied; the information shall continue to be accessible and shall be made available at the public hearing to any interested party at the District's headquarters.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Notice of Public Hearing
- Explanation of Fee and Charge Components
- Proposed Fee Summary
- Strikeout version of amended sections of the Rules and Regulations
- Draft resolution amending Rules and Regulations



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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Vista Irrigation District will hold a public hearing in its Boardroom located at 1391 Engineer Street, Vista, California, on Wednesday, October 15, 2025, at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, to consider revising the Rules and Regulations of the District relating to increasing and decreasing fees and charges other than water rates and adopting such revisions effective January 1, 2026. All interested parties are invited to observe and participate in this public hearing to express opinions and/or present evidence relative to this matter and the fees being proposed.

In accordance with Government Code §66016, Vista Irrigation District has made available at the District's headquarters, located at 1391 Engineer Street, Vista, CA 92081, public data demonstrating the need for the proposed fee increases and that the amount of the fees and charges proposed will not exceed the estimated amount required to provide the services for which the fees and service charges are levied; such information shall continue to be available and shall also be made available at the public hearing to any interested party at the District's headquarters.

Members of the public may attend this hearing in person or may observe and participate in the hearing through Vista Irrigation District's teleconferencing line; the phone number and applicable pass code for such participation is as follows: Phone (877) 873-8018; Pass Code 474698#. Telephone participants who are interested in observing and/or participating in the public hearing regarding the fees and charges being considered are requested to place calls to the number listed above at or before 8:50 a.m. on October 15, 2025, so that District staff can organize the number and order of speakers and assure the ability of all who wish to participate.

Members of the public may also present testimony or evidence at the public hearing by way of email, traditional mail or expedited courier service. Email communications should be sent to BoardSecretary@vidwater.org. Mailed testimony or evidence should be addressed as follows Ramae Ogilvie, Board Secretary, Vista Irrigation District, 1391 Engineer Street, Vista, CA 92081. Only emailed and mailed submissions received at the email and physical addresses listed above on or before the 9:00 a.m. hearing time on October 15, 2025, will be considered.

Please take notice that if you or anyone on whose behalf you are acting wishes to challenge any of the matters considered at the public hearing, in court or through other legal means, you may be limited to raising only such subjects as were raised through the conduct of the hearing.

The proposed new fee schedule to be considered by the Vista Irrigation District Board of Directors in connection with the public hearing may be viewed on the District's website at <https://www.vidwater.org/public-notice>. Such materials, and other requests for information, may also be requested by contacting the Board Secretary's office at the address listed above, or by telephoning (760) 597-3128, between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Ramae A. Ogilvie, Secretary  
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## **Fees and Charges other than Water Rates**

Vista Irrigation District (District) has over 100 different fees and charges that are collected for the provision of services. Every year, the District performs a nexus study and fee analysis to ensure that its fees and charges accurately reflect the actual costs of providing services and only those costs. As a result, the District's fees and charges need to be increased or decreased to properly account for changes in the cost of labor, materials, and outside services for the coming year. Below are brief descriptions of the most common components used in the calculation of fees and charges and explanations as to why fees and charges are increasing by service category (e.g. Construction, Engineering, Customer Service and Water Conservation). Attached is a Proposed Fee Summary that shows each of the fees and charges, the amount of increase or decrease and a brief note of factors contributing to the increase or decrease in a fee or charge. The data and detailed fee calculations are available to the public for public review at the District office.

### **Fee Components**

The calculation of individual fees and charges is based on identified cost centers, such as labor, parts and materials and contract services. Labor costs are fully burdened to include taxes, benefits, equipment and assets, support staff and supervision, computers and other related overhead costs. Actual costs are used for all parts, materials and outside services; these costs are based on contract pricing, inventory values, last order cost or a request for quote from a vendor. Fees and charges can increase or decrease depending on changes to these cost centers as well as labor hours associated with providing a service.

*Parts and Materials* - inventory part costs are taken directly from the District's inventory system at Fiscal Year-end and based on the average actual cost of an item. Non-inventory part costs are based on the last purchase of an item or a quote from a vendor. The District procures parts and materials via a competitive bidding process to ensure it purchases items at the lowest price.

*Material Burden* - this cost represents the burden on material costs for the labor to obtain, store and distribute the materials. The material burden rate is calculated every five years and is based on the labor costs to operate and stock the warehouse. The material burden percentage is currently 20 percent.

*Service Burden* - this cost represents the burden on outside service contracts costs for labor to negotiate, prepare, execute and administer an agreement through completion. The service burden is calculated every five years. The District procures outside services via a competitive bidding process to ensure it gets the items at the lowest price. The services burden is currently five percent.

*Outside Services* – the District contracts with third-party parties to provide certain services, such as paving and traffic control. The cost associated with said services is included in various construction related fees and pricing set forth in the contract. Costs can change annually due to new contracts being negotiated or pricing being adjusted for inflation (as specified in the contract terms).

*Labor Rate* – the labor rate is equal to the average non-management employee’s salary plus burden, including taxes, benefits, equipment and assets, support staff and supervision, liability insurance, computers, supplies and other related overhead costs. The labor rate is calculated annually based on actual costs; wage costs increased by nine percent driven by inflation (generally based on the U.S. Department of Labor’s Consumer Price Index – All Urban Consumers – San Diego, California). Benefits and other burden related costs rose as well. The fully burdened labor rate, which incorporated adjustments to wages, benefits and other burden related costs, increased by 11 percent.

*Labor Time* – the District completes a full time and motion study for all fee and charges every other year. In years that the time and motion study is not undertaken, the time component of labor costs remains constant, unless adjustments are necessary due to changes in process. When a time and motion study is performed, the time estimates to complete tasks associated with a fee or charge are reviewed and adjusted, if necessary, to ensure they reflect the average actual time to complete said task.

## **Fee Increase Summary**

### ***Construction Fees***

Construction fees are comprised of labor, parts/materials and outside services costs. Labor cost increases are explained in the Fee Components section. Overall, part costs have increased by approximately 3.5 percent.

### ***Engineering Fees***

Most Engineering Fees are comprised of labor cost, the exceptions being Annexation, Detachment and Capacity Fees. Labor cost increases are explained in the Fee Components section.

### ***Customer Service Fees***

Customer Service Fees are mainly comprised of labor costs, which are explained in the Fee Components section. The Return Check fee also includes bank fees, and the Damaged Curb Stop fees include parts.

### ***Miscellaneous Fees***

Miscellaneous Fees are mainly comprised of labor costs, which are explained in more detail in the Fee Components section of this summary. The Bid Protest Fees also include costs associated with legal counsel’s time to review bid protest documents.

### ***Water Conservation Fees***

Water Conservation Fees are mainly comprised of labor costs, which are explained in the Fee Components section.

# Vista Irrigation District

## PROPOSED FEE SUMMARY

### Effective: January 1, 2026

	Current Fee	Proposed Fee	\$ Change	% Change	Comments
<b>Construction Fees:</b>					
5/8" Meter Full Install	\$ 7,553	\$ 9,798	\$ 2,245	29.7%	Labor, paving, trucking, burden, parts costs increased and added traffic control
5/8" Meter Hook On	676	688	12	1.8%	Labor costs increased and burden and parts costs decreased
5/8" Service Outlet *	6,877	9,110	2,233	32.5%	Labor, paving, trucking, burden, parts costs increased and added traffic control
3/4" Meter Full Install	7,556	9,829	2,273	30.1%	Labor, paving, trucking, burden, parts costs increased and added traffic control
3/4" Meter Hook On	679	719	40	5.9%	Labor, burden and parts cost increased
3/4" Service Outlet *	6,877	9,110	2,233	32.5%	Labor, paving, trucking, burden, parts costs increased and added traffic control
1" Meter Full Install	7,803	10,035	2,232	28.6%	Labor, paving, trucking, burden, parts costs increased and added traffic control
1" Meter Hook On	926	925	(1)	(0.1%)	Labor costs increased and burden and parts costs decreased
1" Service Outlet *	6,877	9,110	2,233	32.5%	Labor, paving, trucking, burden, parts costs increased and added traffic control
1 1/2" Meter Full Install	9,908	12,328	2,420	24.4%	Labor, paving, trucking, burden, parts costs increased and added traffic control
1 1/2" Meter Hook On	1,764	1,925	161	9.1%	Labor, burden and parts costs increased
1 1/2" Service Outlet *	8,144	10,403	2,259	27.7%	Labor, paving, trucking, burden, parts costs increased and added traffic control
2" Meter Full Install	10,152	12,681	2,529	24.9%	Labor, paving, trucking, burden, parts costs increased and added traffic control
2" Meter Hook On	2,008	2,278	270	13.4%	Labor, burden and parts cost increased
2" Service Outlet *	8,144	10,403	2,259	27.7%	Labor, paving, trucking, burden, parts costs increased and added traffic control
Fire Hydrant Full Install *	24,176	25,548	1,372	5.7%	Labor, paving, and trucking costs increased and burden and parts costs decreased
Fire Hydrant Upgrade *	9,358	9,642	284	3.0%	Labor, burden and parts costs increased
4" Fire Service Connection *	15,354	17,007	1,653	10.8%	Labor, paving, trucking and burden costs increased and parts costs decreased
6" Fire Service Connection *	15,755	17,180	1,425	9.0%	Labor, paving, and trucking costs increased and parts and burden costs decreased
8" Fire Service Connection *	17,973	19,451	1,478	8.2%	Labor, paving, and trucking costs increased and parts and burden costs decreased
10" Fire Service Connection *	21,005	22,324	1,319	6.3%	Labor, paving, and trucking costs increased and parts and burden costs decreased
Air Vent, Blow Off, and Gate Valve for Fire Service	5,667	5,724	57	1.0%	Labor costs increased and burden and parts costs decreased
Commercial Irrigation Service Conversion Fee	2,429	2,717	288	11.9%	Labor, burden and parts costs increased
Backflow Device Set-up	308	342	34	11.0%	Labor costs increased
Reset Pressure Valve	244	271	27	11.1%	Labor costs increased
1" Construction Meter Deposit With Backflow Device	2,043	2,353	310	15.2%	Labor, burden and parts costs increased
Refundable Amount	1,421	1,614	193	13.6%	Parts costs increased
1" Construction Meter Deposit With Spanner and Backflow Device	2,072	2,384	312	15.1%	Labor, burden and parts costs increased
Refundable Amount	1,446	1,641	195	13.5%	Parts costs increased
3" Construction Meter Deposit With Backflow Device	6,615	7,483	868	13.1%	Labor, burden and parts costs increased
Refundable Amount	4,972	5,603	631	12.7%	Parts costs increased
Unauthorized Taking of District Water	3,266	3,686	420	12.9%	Labor and unit of water costs increased
Relocate Construction Meter	205	228	23	11.2%	Labor costs increased
Unauthorized Construction Meter and Backflow Device Move Penalty	408	453	45	11.0%	Labor costs increased
Subdivision Construction Meter Deposit	11,682	11,756	74	0.6%	Labor costs increased and parts and burden costs decreased
Refundable Amount	9,380	9,351	(29)	(0.3%)	Parts costs decreased
Meter Service Lateral Termination	2,593	3,054	461	17.8%	Labor, paving, trucking, parts and burden costs increased
Temporary Offsite Service *	8,987	11,335	2,348	26.1%	Labor, paving, trucking, parts and burden costs increased
Plus: Per Foot Frontage Charge	85	97	13	15.4%	Labor, paving, trucking, parts and burden costs increased
Temporary Service Agreement Conversion *	10,031	12,491	2,460	24.5%	Labor, paving, trucking, parts and burden costs increased
Plus: Per Foot Frontage Charge	85	97	13	15.4%	Labor, paving, trucking, parts and burden costs increased
Temporary Service Agreement Conversion Excluding Tieback & Permit *	8,600	10,985	2,385	27.7%	Labor, paving, trucking, parts and burden costs increased
Plus: Per Foot Frontage Charge	85	97	13	15.4%	Labor, paving, trucking, parts and burden costs increased
Cancellation of Meter Application	314	348	34	10.8%	Labor costs increased

**Vista Irrigation District  
PROPOSED FEE SUMMARY  
Effective: January 1, 2026**

	Current Fee	Proposed Fee	\$ Change	% Change	Comments
Meter Downsize from ¾"	642	741	99	15.4%	Labor costs increased
Meter Downsize from 1"	642	741	99	15.4%	Labor costs increased
Meter Downsize from 1½"	1,206	1,321	115	9.5%	Labor increased and parts and burden costs decreased
Meter Downsize from 2"	1,498	1,585	87	5.8%	Labor, parts and burden costs increased

\* The cost of permit associated with this fee will be determined at the time of application. The cost of permit is dependent upon its jurisdiction.

# Vista Irrigation District

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### Effective: January 1, 2026

	Current Fee	Proposed Fee	\$ Change	% Change	Comments	
<b>Engineering Fees:</b>						
Hydraulic Analysis	\$ 1,002	\$ 1,113	\$ 111	11.1%	Labor costs increased	
Water Supply Study	1,580	1,754	174	11.0%	Labor costs increased	
Construction Cost Estimate Summary	579	642	63	10.9%	Labor costs increased	
Update Construction Cost Estimate Summary	258	286	28	10.9%	Labor costs increased	
Plan Check (per Sheet)	595	831	236	39.7%	Labor rate and labor hours increased	
Construction Change Plan Check (per Occurrence) (New)	-	613	613	-		
As-Built Deposit (per Sheet)	567	883	316	55.7%	Labor rate and labor hours increased	
Refundable Amount (per Sheet)	567	883	316	55.7%	Labor rate and labor hours increased	
Construction Agreement	2,127	2,396	269	12.6%	Labor costs increased	
Water Availability Letter	360	400	40	11.1%	Labor costs increased	
Water Availability Letter Update	168	186	18	10.7%	Labor costs increased	
Grant of Right of Way (to Public)	893	988	95	10.6%	Labor costs increased	
Quitclaim/Cancellation of Recorded Documents	1,044	1,156	112	10.7%	Labor costs increased	
Encroachment Permit	924	1,022	98	10.6%	Labor costs increased	
Joint Use Agreement	981	1,079	98	10.0%	Labor costs increased	
Exchange Meter Agreement	502	813	311	62.0%	Labor rate and labor hours increased	
Fire Flow Analysis	244	356	112	45.9%	Labor rate and labor hours increased	
Annexation Fee (per Acre)	7,013	7,241	228	3.3%	Net asset values increased	
Annexation/Administration	2,787	3,095	308	11.1%	Labor costs increased	
Detachment Fee (per Acre)	-	-	-	-	No charge	
Detachment/Administration	2,787	3,095	308	11.1%	Labor costs increased	
5/8" Capacity Fee	Current # of meters: 5531	6,556	7,156	600	9.2%	Inflation on value of infrastructure and increased estimated costs of future capital
3/4" Capacity Fee	Current # of meters: 17052	9,835	10,734	899	9.1%	Inflation on value of infrastructure and increased estimated costs of future capital
1" Capacity Fee	Current # of meters: 2936	16,391	17,890	1,499	9.1%	Inflation on value of infrastructure and increased estimated costs of future capital
1 1/2" Capacity Fee	Current # of meters: 1320	32,782	35,779	2,997	9.1%	Inflation on value of infrastructure and increased estimated costs of future capital
2" Capacity Fee	Current # of meters: 896	52,451	57,247	4,796	9.1%	Inflation on value of infrastructure and increased estimated costs of future capital
3" Capacity Fee	Current # of meters: 87	104,903	114,494	9,591	9.1%	Inflation on value of infrastructure and increased estimated costs of future capital
4" Capacity Fee	Current # of meters: 25	163,911	178,897	14,986	9.1%	Inflation on value of infrastructure and increased estimated costs of future capital
6" Capacity Fee	Current # of meters: 15	327,821	357,794	29,973	9.1%	Inflation on value of infrastructure and increased estimated costs of future capital
8" Capacity Fee	Current # of meters: 2	524,514	572,470	47,956	9.1%	Inflation on value of infrastructure and increased estimated costs of future capital
10" Capacity Fee	Current # of meters: 1	753,989	822,925	68,936	9.1%	Inflation on value of infrastructure and increased estimated costs of future capital
12" Capacity Fee	Current # of meters: 0	1,409,632	1,538,512	128,880	9.1%	Inflation on value of infrastructure and increased estimated costs of future capital
Meter Service Lateral Inspection	860	1,382	522	60.7%	Labor rate and labor hours increased	
RPDA/Meter Inspection	706	955	249	35.3%	Labor rate and labor hours increased	
RPDA/Meter and Lateral Inspection Without Shutdown	1,630	2,323	693	42.5%	Labor rate and labor hours increased	
RPDA/Meter and Lateral Inspection With Shutdown	2,708	3,520	812	30.0%	Labor rate and labor hours increased	
Fire Hydrant Inspection	1,155	1,283	128	11.1%	Labor costs increased	
Fire Hydrant and Lateral Inspection without Shutdown	2,079	2,651	572	27.5%	Labor rate and labor hours increased	
Fire Hydrant and Lateral Inspection with Shutdown	2,541	3,848	1,307	51.4%	Labor rate and labor hours increased	

# Vista Irrigation District

## PROPOSED FEE SUMMARY

### Effective: January 1, 2026

	Current Fee	Proposed Fee	\$ Change	% Change	Comments
<b><u>Customer Service Fees:</u></b>					
Late Penalty	\$ 18	\$ 20	\$ 2	11.1%	Labor costs increased
Delinquent Door Hanger	82	91	9	11.0%	Labor costs increased
Mailed Discontinuation Notice	46	49	3	6.5%	Labor costs increased
Delinquent Lock	184	204	20	10.9%	Labor costs increased
Delinquent Lock Hardship *	59	61	2	3.9%	Change in Consumer Price Index
After Hours Lock or Unlock	203	225	22	10.8%	Labor costs increased
After Hours Unlock Hardship *	177	184	7	4.0%	Change in Consumer Price Index
Broken Lock	203	225	22	10.8%	Labor costs increased
Pulled Meter	203	225	22	10.8%	Labor costs increased
Tax Roll	111	125	14	12.6%	Labor costs increased
Returned Check	44	48	4	9.1%	Labor costs increased
Voluntary Lock or Unlock	77	86	9	11.7%	Labor costs increased
Meter Bench Test	513	570	57	11.1%	Labor costs increased
5/8" Damaged Curb Stop	1,007	1,106	99	9.8%	Labor costs increased
3/4" Damaged Curb Stop	1,007	1,106	99	9.8%	Labor costs increased
1" Damaged Curb Stop	1,094	1,178	84	7.7%	Labor increased and parts decreased
<b><u>Miscellaneous Fees:</u></b>					
Bid Protest Fee- Contract Under \$60k	371	409	38	10.2%	Labor costs increased
Bid Protest Fee- Contract Over \$60k	637	695	58	9.1%	Labor costs increased
<b><u>Water Conservation Fees:</u></b>					
Second Water Citation within 12 Months	271	300	29	10.7%	Labor costs increased
Third Water Citation within 12 Months	498	526	28	5.6%	Labor costs increased
Four or More Water Citations within 12 Months	724	751	27	3.7%	Labor costs increased
1" and Smaller Flow Restrictor Installation & Removal	358	396	38	10.6%	Labor costs increased
1½" and 2" Flow Restrictor Installation & Removal	687	755	68	9.9%	Labor increased and parts decreased

\* Hardship: 200% below the Federal Poverty Line

## 4.4 RATES, SERVICE CHARGES AND FEES

Adoption Date:	<del>10/23/2024</del>
Action:	Approved by the VID Board of Directors, Min. Order. 24-10-113; Res. 2024-34.

### 4.4.4 Service Related Charges

#### A. Non-Scheduled or Special Meter Readings

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condition within 35 days. Water usage shall not be billed, but shall be deducted from the refundable deposit at the then current domestic water rate. The cost of necessary repairs to the meter will also be deducted from the deposit. The refund will be forfeited if the meter is not returned within 35 days.

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A ~~\$7,483.00~~~~6,615.00~~ deposit shall be required on all construction meters with backflow device, ~~\$5,603.00~~~~4,972.00~~ of the deposit is refundable upon return of the meter and backflow device in good condition. All construction water shall be billed at the highest water rate tier and applicable Service Charge. Moving a construction meter and backflow device from one location to another shall cost ~~\$228.00~~~~205.00~~ per move. The charge for an unauthorized construction meter and backflow device move shall be ~~\$453.00~~~~408.00~~. The meter and backflow device may be recalled for repeated offenses. Resetting the pressure-sustaining valve shall cost ~~\$271.00~~~~244.00~~. Developers must use construction meters and backflow devices for landscaping, road grading or construction purposes. Prior to placing the new water system in service, construction water must be obtained from a construction meter served by the existing water distribution system. When the new water distribution system has progressed to the point that it may be placed into service, all service outlets shall be locked. The developer may then make application for subdivision construction water for on-site work.

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Grant of Right of Way (Document)	\$ <del>988.00</del> <del>893.00</del>
<del>Private Ownership Agreement (Document)</del>	<del>\$ 1,001.00</del>
Quitclaim/Cancellation of Recorded Documents	\$ <del>1,156.00</del> <del>1,044.00</del>
Encroachment Permit	\$ <del>1,022.00</del> <del>924.00</del>
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4.4.6 Annexation/Detachment (Change of Boundaries) Per Acre Fees

A. Annexation Fees (See Sec. 3.1)

~~\$7,241.00~~\$7,013.00 per acre.

B. Detachment Fee (See Sec. 3.1)

\$0 per acre

4.4.7 Backflow Device Charges

New backflow device installations will be investigated and monitored with a set-up fee of ~~\$342.00~~\$308.00. The District will not be responsible for testing and repairs to such devices once they are entered on the monitoring system. (See "Cross Connection Control," Section 6.3.)

4.4.8 Collection of Connection Fees

For water meters purchased on or after January 1, 2018 that abut an existing water main or are determined to be a "Permanent Offsite Service" per Section 3.8.6 (Temporary and Permanent Offsite Water Services), the cost of connecting service is included as part of the "Capacity Fee" established in Section 4.4.16.

Connection fees shall be collected for the following cases:

A. Temporary Offsite Service (see Section 3.8.6)

In addition to the charges otherwise provided by these regulations, the cost for providing a Temporary Offsite Service will be ~~\$11,335.00~~\$8,987.00, plus an additional charge of ~~\$97.00~~\$85.00 per foot of frontage.

The cost of permit associated with a Temporary Offsite Service is dependent upon its jurisdiction and will be determined at the time of its application.

B. Permanent Water Service resulting from a Temporary Service Agreement (TSA)

Conversion from a temporary offsite service to a permanent onsite service to satisfy the terms and conditions of a TSA shall be ~~\$12,491.00~~\$10,031.00 plus an additional charge of ~~\$97.00~~\$85.00 per foot of the pro-rata share of pipeline costs.

Conversion from a temporary offsite service to a permanent onsite service excluding private plumbing tieback to satisfy the terms and conditions of a TSA shall be ~~\$10,985.00~~~~8,600.00~~ plus an additional charge of ~~\$97.00~~~~85.00~~ per foot of the pro-rata share of pipeline costs.

The cost of permit associated with a Permanent Water Service resulting from a TSA is dependent upon its jurisdiction and will be determined at the time of its application.

- C. Connection to “Pipeline Extensions Constructed by Developers” (See Section 3.8.7 C).

Connection fee shall be established in a payback agreement between the District and Developer.

#### 4.4.9 Engineering Service Fees

- A. Hydraulic Analyses

The District’s hydraulic model is used to perform analyses and provide planning and design information for projects and ranges in the level of effort as follows:

Fire Flow Analysis – provides the available fire flow at a specific location in the system. A fire flow analysis does not review or determine system improvements that may be necessary to meet the specified fire flow requirement. The fee is ~~\$356.00~~~~244.00~~.

Hydraulic Analysis – provides a review of a project for impacts on the existing system and identifies offsite improvements that may be necessary to maintain service levels in the system. Includes a summary page of the results and a schematic layout of the project and facilities. The fee is ~~\$1,113.00~~~~1,002.00~~.

Water Supply Study – required for most new projects prior to plan checking improvement plans, a water supply study provides an analysis of the project and reports the requirements for conformance with the District’s planning and design criteria, including estimation of demands based on land-use, requirements for any proposed new facilities including pipeline sizes, and impacts to the existing system and need for offsite improvements. Includes a detailed summary report and figures to show schematic layout of required facilities to serve the proposed project. The fee is ~~\$1,754.00~~~~1,580.00~~ for projects with minor pipeline extensions. Costs for large and/or more complex projects shall be performed on a time and materials basis through a deposit as determined necessary by the District.

B. Construction Cost Estimate Summary

Provide a detailed cost of constructing waterline facilities using District forces (when available). The Construction Cost Estimate Summary is ~~\$642.00~~~~579.00~~ and is effective for 30 days. Updating a construction cost estimate summary after 30-days have elapsed is ~~\$286.00~~~~258.00~~.

C. Plan Check and Construction Change Plan Check

The District will check all improvement and grading plans, and if acceptable, will approve said improvement and grading plans. The fee for plan checking will be ~~\$831.00~~~~595.00~~ per sheet excluding all sheets not pertaining to or impacting District facilities. Plan checking for larger and/or more complex projects shall be performed on a time and materials basis through a deposit as determined necessary by the District.

To cover the cost of reviewing and approving design changes needed during construction on non-deposit based projects, the fee will be \$613.00 per occurrence.

D. As-Built Drawings

The District requires all final As-Built drawings to be submitted at the end of the project. A deposit of ~~\$883.00~~~~567.00~~ per sheet is collected at the beginning of the project. After acceptance of As-Built drawings and the project by the District, the deposit will be refunded.

E. Meter Service Lateral Inspection

The cost for inspecting a service lateral and meter assembly (2 inches and less) connected to a District pipeline by an outside contractor will be ~~\$1,382.00~~~~860.00~~. Reduced Pressure Detector Assembly (RPDA) inspection costs shall be used for larger service laterals and meters (3 inches and above).

F. RPDA Inspection

The costs associated with inspection of a RPDA or service laterals and meters 3 inches or larger, are as follows:

RPDA/meter inspection	\$	<del>955.00</del> <del>706.00</del>
RPDA/meter and lateral inspection without shutdown	\$	<del>2,323.00</del> <del>1,630.00</del>
RPDA/meter and lateral inspection with shutdown	\$	<del>3,520.00</del> <del>2,708.00</del>

G. Time and Materials Basis (Deposit)

Costs for items not covered in the fee schedule or under circumstances determined by the District where the level of effort is too variable or likely greater than allowed for in the fees will be based on actual costs through collection of a deposit. Items include, but not limited to, complex hydraulic analyses and plan checks, water supply assessments, reimbursement agreements, construction of waterline facilities by District forces and miscellaneous inspection work.

4.4.10 Fire Hydrant Installations

Full installations include up to 30 feet of pipe. Installations over 30 feet in length shall be performed on a time and materials basis through a deposit. The cost of permit associated with fire hydrant installations will be determined at the time of application. The cost of permit is dependent upon its jurisdiction.

Full Installation	\$ <del>25,548.00</del> <u>24,176.00</u>
Upgrade	\$ <del>9,642.00</del> <u>9,358.00</u>

The cost associated with inspection of a Fire Hydrant is as follows:

Fire Hydrant inspection	\$ <del>1,283.00</del> <u>1,155.00</u>
Fire Hydrant and lateral inspection without shutdown	\$ <del>2,651.00</del> <u>2,079.00</u>
Fire Hydrant and lateral inspection with shutdown	\$ <del>3,848.00</del> <u>2,541.00</u>

4.4.11 Fire Service

4" Fire Service Connection	\$ <del>17,007.00</del> <u>15,354.00</u>
6" Fire Service Connection	\$ <del>17,180.00</del> <u>15,755.00</u>
8" Fire Service Connection	\$ <del>19,451.00</del> <u>17,973.00</u>
10" Fire Service Connection	\$ <del>22,324.00</del> <u>21,005.00</u>

Fire service connection installations include up to 30 feet of pipe. Installations over 30 feet in length shall be performed on a time and materials basis through a deposit. When an in-line gate valve, air vent and blow-off is required, a fee of \$~~5,724.00~~ 5,667.00 will be charged. The cost of permit associated with fire service connections will be determined at the time of application. The cost of permit is dependent upon its jurisdiction. It is the responsibility of the applicant to purchase and install the RPDA.

4.4.12 Water Meter Fees

A. Water Meter Fees

<sup>5</sup> / <sub>8</sub> " Hook-on Meter	\$ <del>688.00</del> <u>676.00</u>
Service Outlet	\$ <del>9,110.00</del> <u>6,877.00</u>
Full Installation	\$ <del>9,798.00</del> <u>7,553.00</u>

The smallest meter size allowable shall be a <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" meter. A <sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub>" meter is only allowed for installation in condominiums, and mobile home subdivisions where each unit is

metered separately or in similar low demand non-landscaping uses as approved by the District General Manager.

*(Resolution No. 4191, Last Revision 2/16/83: Resolution 83-15)*

3/4" Hook-on Meter	\$ <del>719.00</del> <u>679.00</u>
Service Outlet	\$ <del>9,110.00</del> <u>6,877.00</u>
Full Installation	\$ <del>9,829.00</del> <u>7,556.00</u>
1" Hook-on Meter	\$ <del>925.00</del> <u>926.00</u>
Service Outlet	\$ <del>9,110.00</del> <u>6,877.00</u>
Full Installation	\$ <del>10,035.00</del> <u>7,803.00</u>

1 1/2" Hook-on Meter	\$ <del>1,925.00</del> <u>1,764.00</u>
Service Outlet	\$ <del>10,403.00</del> <u>8,144.00</u>
Full Installation	\$ <del>12,328.00</del> <u>9,908.00</u>
2" Hook-on Meter	\$ <del>2,278.00</del> <u>2,008.00</u>
Service Outlet	\$ <del>10,403.00</del> <u>8,144.00</u>
Full Installation	\$ <del>12,681.00</del> <u>10,152.00</u>

3" or larger sized meters by time and materials only.

The cost of permit associated with water meter installations will be determined at the time of application. The cost of permit is dependent upon its jurisdiction.

**B. Cost for Reduction of Meter Size**

Reduction of a meter size shall be performed by the District upon written request by the owner. The owner shall be responsible for the cost of labor and parts associated with the reduction of a meter size. However, there shall be no charge to the owner for the cost of the new meter. Owner shall retain equity in the meter based on the smaller size.

The costs associated with reduction of a meter size are as follows:

Meter downsize from 3/4"	\$ <del>741.00</del> <u>642.00</u>
Meter downsize from 1"	\$ <del>741.00</del> <u>642.00</u>
Meter downsize from 1 1/2"	\$ <del>1,321.00</del> <u>1,206.00</u>
Meter downsize from 2"	\$ <del>1,585.00</del> <u>1,498.00</u>

The reduction of a meter size from 3" or larger sized meter is by time and materials only.

**C. Refunds for Discontinued Meters**

There are no refunds for discontinued meters.

D. Collection of Capacity Fee on Behalf of the San Diego County Water Authority

This District will not accept any otherwise eligible application for meter service installation unless it is accompanied by payment of the applicable capacity fee imposed by the San Diego County Water Authority. These fees are in accordance with the schedule authorized by the San Diego County Water Authority, which may be changed by that agency from time to time. This District is acting only as a collection agent for these fees.

E. Cancellation of Meter Application or Service Change

The cost for canceling a meter application or service change after it has been submitted and processed will be ~~\$348.00~~314.00.

F. Service Lateral Termination

The cost for terminating a meter service lateral will be ~~\$3,054.00~~2,593.00.

G. Commercial Irrigation Service Conversion

The cost for converting an existing domestic commercial service lateral into a dedicated combination irrigation and domestic service will be ~~\$2,717.00~~2,429.00.

#### 4.4.13 District Overhead

A 20% material burden factor will be applied to all bills rendered for parts or material furnished by the District. In addition, a 5% services burden will be applied to all bills rendered that require the District to administer a contract.

#### 4.4.14 Fees Related to Payment of Bills

A. Delinquent Bills and Meters Locked for Non-Payment

All water bills are due and payable upon presentation. If unpaid pursuant to Sections 2.2.3 and 2.2.4, the bill becomes delinquent. If not paid by the penalty date, the service becomes subject to discontinuance and will be charged a fee of ~~\$20.00~~18.00. Prior to discontinuing a service, a reminder is given to the customer by attaching a door hanger or mailing a discontinuation notice. The fee charged for a door hanger will be ~~\$91.00~~82.00. The fee charged for a mailed discontinuation notice will be ~~\$49.00~~46.00. Returned check charge will be ~~\$48.00~~44.00.

Pursuant to Water Code 25806, unpaid water charges may be added to and become a part of the annual assessment levied upon the real property. The cost for reporting delinquent accounts that are added to the property tax roll will be \$~~125.00~~111.00.

Services that are locked for non-payment of water bills will be charged an additional \$~~204.00~~184.00; customers who qualify for the Delinquent Lock Hardship fee will be charged \$~~61.00~~59.00. To unlock a meter after hours, there will be a charge of \$~~225.00~~203.00; customers who qualify for the After-hours Unlock Hardship fee will be charged \$~~184.00~~177.00.

Broken District locks shall be billed at the rate of \$~~225.00~~203.00 per lock. If a meter is pulled for delinquency, there will be a minimum charge of \$~~225.00~~203.00.

The fees charged for repairing damaged curb stops are as follows:

5/8" damaged curb stop:	\$ <del>1,106.00</del> <u>1,007.00</u>
3/4" damaged curb stop:	\$ <del>1,106.00</del> <u>1,007.00</u>
1" damaged curb stop:	\$ <del>1,178.00</del> <u>1,094.00</u>

The fee for repairing damaged curb stops larger than 1" is variable and is dependent upon the number of hours spent by District staff and parts used. The fee will be based on actual costs.

#### B. Meters Locked by Request of Owner

Upon written request by owner, the meter will be locked as a convenience to the customer by the District for a charge of \$~~86.00~~77.00 and subsequently unlocked for an additional \$~~86.00~~77.00. To lock or unlock a meter after hours, there will be a charge of \$~~225.00~~203.00.

Locked meters will be charged a bi-monthly Readiness-to-Serve charge based on twenty-five percent (25%) of the Readiness-to-Serve charge for that account.

Locking of meters at the request of the owner does not relieve the owner of the responsibility for payment for any water used through the meter or for any damage resulting therefrom. All water registered through the meter after the District has locked the meter shall be paid for by the customer.

#### 4.4.15 Capacity Fees

(Last revision 2/19/2025: Minute Order 25-02-24)

For all water meters installed, the following charges shall be made:

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Capacity Fee</u>
5/8"	\$ <del>7,156.00</del> <del>6,556.00</del>
3/4"	\$ <del>10,734.00</del> <del>9,835.00</del>
1"	\$ <del>17,890.00</del> <del>16,391.00</del>
1 1/2"	\$ <del>35,779.00</del> <del>32,782.00</del>
2"	\$ <del>57,247.00</del> <del>52,451.00</del>
3"	\$ <del>114,494.00</del> <del>104,903.00</del>
4"	\$ <del>178,897.00</del> <del>163,911.00</del>
6"	\$ <del>357,794.00</del> <del>327,821.00</del>
8"	\$ <del>572,470.00</del> <del>524,514.00</del>
10"	\$ <del>822,925.00</del> <del>753,989.00</del>
12"	\$ <del>1,538,512.00</del> <del>1,409,632.00</del>

These fees are not refundable. If the size of the meter is increased, the difference in capacity fees between the new and old meter at the current prices will be paid. There is no refund of the capacity fees if the meter is reduced in size.

The Board of Directors will waive all capacity fees when installing individual meters at multiple-family residences served by an existing single meter and will request that the San Diego County Water Authority will also waive their capacity fees for the customer.

#### 4.4.16 Water Conservation Fees

Second water citation within 12 months	\$ <del>300.00</del> <del>271.00</del>
Third water citation within 12 months	\$ <del>526.00</del> <del>498.00</del>
In addition, a flow restrictor may be installed for up to five days.	
Four or more water citations within 12 months	\$ <del>751.00</del> <del>724.00</del>
In addition, a flow restrictor may be installed or service may be discontinued.	
1" and smaller flow restrictor installation & removal	\$ <del>396.00</del> <del>358.00</del>
1 1/2" and 2" flow restrictor installation & removal	\$ <del>755.00</del> <del>687.00</del>

These fees will be added to the water account and will be subject to Section 2.2 - Billing Procedures.

#### 4.4.17 Unauthorized Taking of District Water

If it is determined there has been an unauthorized use of District water through an illegal hook-up, the fee for this unauthorized taking of District water will be \$~~3,686.00~~~~3,266.00~~.

#### 4.4.18 Miscellaneous Fees

A bid protest will be charged a fee for contracts under \$60,000 of ~~\$409.00~~<sup>371.00</sup>. For contracts over \$60,000 the fee will be ~~\$695.00~~<sup>637.00</sup> to also cover the costs of taking the bid protest to the Board of Directors for consideration.

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-XX

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF VISTA IRRIGATION DISTRICT  
AMENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE DISTRICT'S RULES AND REGULATIONS  
RELATIVE TO FEES AND CHARGES OTHER THAN WATER RATES

WHEREAS, the District has performed detailed cost studies on all fees and charges; and

WHEREAS, these cost studies consist of over 492 pages of analyses and were available to the public for their review as far back as September 10, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the fees adopted in this Resolution will supersede any previous fees adopted as of the effective date of this Resolution as specified in the amendment to the District's Rules and Regulations herein; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to make changes to said fees and charges due to inflationary factors and the detailed analyses of the cost make-up of each fee; and

WHEREAS, on October 15, 2025, the Board of Directors of the Vista Irrigation District conducted a duly noticed public hearing on proposed increases to certain fees and charges other than water rates, and considered the evidence and testimony presented at the public hearing; and

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WHEREAS, based upon the analysis and information provided by District staff, the Board of Directors finds and determines that, with respect to each fee or charge proposed to be increased, the proposed fee or charge does not exceed the reasonable cost of providing the service for which the fee or charge is levied.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of Vista Irrigation District does hereby find and declare as follows:

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Water Availability Letter Update	\$ 186.00

4.4.6 Annexation/Detachment (Change of Boundaries) Per Acre Fees

A. Annexation Fees (See Sec. 3.1)

\$7,241.00 per acre.

B. Detachment Fee (See Sec. 3.1)

\$0 per acre

4.4.7 Backflow Device Charges

New backflow device installations will be investigated and monitored with a set-up fee of \$342.00. The District will not be responsible for testing and repairs to such devices once they are entered on the monitoring system. (See "Cross Connection Control," Section 6.3.)

4.4.8 Collection of Connection Fees

For water meters purchased on or after January 1, 2018 that abut an existing water main or are determined to be a "Permanent Offsite Service" per Section 3.8.6 (Temporary and Permanent Offsite Water Services), the cost of connecting service is included as part of the "Capacity Fee" established in Section 4.4.16.

Connection fees shall be collected for the following cases:

A. Temporary Offsite Service (see Section 3.8.6)

In addition to the charges otherwise provided by these regulations, the cost for providing a Temporary Offsite Service will be \$11,335.00, plus an additional charge of \$97.00 per foot of frontage.

The cost of permit associated with a Temporary Offsite Service is dependent upon its jurisdiction and will be determined at the time of its application.

B. Permanent Water Service resulting from a Temporary Service Agreement (TSA)

Conversion from a temporary offsite service to a permanent onsite service to satisfy the terms and conditions of a TSA shall be \$12,491.00 plus an additional charge of \$97.00 per foot of the pro-rata share of pipeline costs.

Conversion from a temporary offsite service to a permanent onsite service excluding private plumbing tieback to satisfy the terms and conditions of a TSA shall be \$10,985.00 plus an additional charge of \$97.00 per foot of the pro-rata share of pipeline costs.

The cost of permit associated with a Permanent Water Service resulting from a TSA is dependent upon its jurisdiction and will be determined at the time of its application.

- C. Connection to “Pipeline Extensions Constructed by Developers” (See Section 3.8.7 C).

Connection fee shall be established in a payback agreement between the District and Developer.

#### 4.4.9 Engineering Service Fees

- A. Hydraulic Analyses

The District’s hydraulic model is used to perform analyses and provide planning and design information for projects and ranges in the level of effort as follows:

Fire Flow Analysis – provides the available fire flow at a specific location in the system. A fire flow analysis does not review or determine system improvements that may be necessary to meet the specified fire flow requirement. The fee is \$356.00.

Hydraulic Analysis – provides a review of a project for impacts on the existing system and identifies offsite improvements that may be necessary to maintain service levels in the system. Includes a summary page of the results and a schematic layout of the project and facilities. The fee is \$1,113.00.

Water Supply Study – required for most new projects prior to plan checking improvement plans, a water supply study provides an analysis of the project and reports the requirements for conformance with the District’s planning and design criteria, including estimation of demands based on land-use, requirements for any proposed new facilities including pipeline sizes, and impacts to the existing system and need for offsite improvements. Includes a detailed summary report and figures to show schematic layout of required facilities to serve the proposed project. The fee is \$1,754.00 for projects with minor pipeline extensions. Costs for large and/or more complex projects shall be performed on a time and materials basis through a deposit as determined necessary by the District.

- B. Construction Cost Estimate Summary

Provide a detailed cost of constructing waterline facilities using District forces (when available). The Construction Cost Estimate Summary is \$642.00 and is effective for 30 days. Updating a construction cost estimate summary after 30-days have elapsed is \$286.00.

- C. Plan Check and Construction Change Plan Check

The District will check all improvement and grading plans, and if acceptable,

will approve said improvement and grading plans. The fee for plan checking will be \$831.00 per sheet excluding all sheets not pertaining to or impacting District facilities. Plan checking for larger and/or more complex projects shall be performed on a time and materials basis through a deposit as determined necessary by the District.

To cover the cost of reviewing and if acceptable, approving design changes the fee will be \$204.00 per sheet.

D. As-Built Drawings

The District requires all final As-Built drawings to be submitted at the end of the project. A deposit of \$883.00 per sheet is collected at the beginning of the project. After acceptance of As-Built drawings and the project by the District, the deposit will be refunded.

E. Meter Service Lateral Inspection

The cost for inspecting a service lateral and meter assembly (2 inches and less) connected to a District pipeline by an outside contractor will be \$1,382.00. Reduced Pressure Detector Assembly (RPDA) inspection costs shall be used for larger service laterals and meters (3 inches and above).

F. RPDA Inspection

The costs associated with inspection of a RPDA or service laterals and meters 3 inches or larger, are as follows:

RPDA/meter inspection	\$ 955.00
RPDA/meter and lateral inspection without shutdown	\$ 2,323.00
RPDA/meter and lateral inspection with shutdown	\$ 3,520.00

G. Time and Materials Basis (Deposit)

Costs for items not covered in the fee schedule or under circumstances determined by the District where the level of effort is too variable or likely greater than allowed for in the fees will be based on actual costs through collection of a deposit. Items include, but not limited to, complex hydraulic analyses and plan checks, water supply assessments, reimbursement agreements, construction of waterline facilities by District forces and miscellaneous inspection work.

4.4.10 Fire Hydrant Installations

Full installations include up to 30 feet of pipe. Installations over 30 feet in length shall be performed on a time and materials basis through a deposit. The cost of permit associated with fire

hydrant installations will be determined at the time of application. The cost of permit is dependent upon its jurisdiction.

Full Installation	\$ 25,548.00
Upgrade	\$ 9,642.00

The cost associated with inspection of a Fire Hydrant is as follows:

Fire Hydrant inspection	\$ 1,283.00
Fire Hydrant and lateral inspection without shutdown	\$ 2,651.00
Fire Hydrant and lateral inspection with shutdown	\$ 3,848.00

#### 4.4.11 Fire Service

4" Fire Service Connection	\$ 17,007.00
6" Fire Service Connection	\$ 17,180.00
8" Fire Service Connection	\$ 19,451.00
10" Fire Service Connection	\$ 22,324.00

Fire service connection installations include up to 30 feet of pipe. Installations over 30 feet in length shall be performed on a time and materials basis through a deposit. When an in-line gate valve, air vent and blow-off is required, a fee of \$5,724.00 will be charged. The cost of permit associated with fire service connections will be determined at the time of application. The cost of permit is dependent upon its jurisdiction. It is the responsibility of the applicant to purchase and install the RPDA.

#### 4.4.12 Water Meter Fees

##### A. Water Meter Fees

<sup>5</sup> / <sub>8</sub> " Hook-on Meter	\$ 688.00
Service Outlet	\$ 9,110.00
Full Installation	\$ 9,798.00

The smallest meter size allowable shall be a <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" meter. A <sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub>" meter is only allowed for installation in condominiums, and mobile home subdivisions where each unit is metered separately or in similar low demand non-landscaping uses as approved by the District General Manager.

*(Resolution No. 4191, Last Revision 2/16/83: Resolution 83-15)*

<sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> " Hook-on Meter	\$ 719.00
Service Outlet	\$ 9,110.00
Full Installation	\$ 9,829.00

1" Hook-on Meter	\$ 925.00
Service Outlet	\$ 9,110.00
Full Installation	\$ 10,035.00

1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> " Hook-on Meter	\$ 1,925.00
Service Outlet	\$ 10,403.00

Full Installation	\$ 12,328.00
2" Hook-on Meter	\$ 2,278.00
Service Outlet	\$ 10,403.00
Full Installation	\$ 12,681.00

3" or larger sized meters by time and materials only.

The cost of permit associated with water meter installations will be determined at the time of application. The cost of permit is dependent upon its jurisdiction.

B. Cost for Reduction of Meter Size

Reduction of a meter size shall be performed by the District upon written request by the owner. The owner shall be responsible for the cost of labor and parts associated with the reduction of a meter size. However, there shall be no charge to the owner for the cost of the new meter. Owner shall retain equity in the meter based on the smaller size.

The costs associated with reduction of a meter size are as follows:

Meter downsize from 3/4"	\$ 741.00
Meter downsize from 1"	\$ 741.00
Meter downsize from 1 1/2"	\$ 1,321.00
Meter downsize from 2"	\$ 1,585.00

The reduction of a meter size from 3" or larger sized meter is by time and materials only.

C. Refunds for Discontinued Meters

There are no refunds for discontinued meters.

D. Collection of Capacity Fee on Behalf of the San Diego County Water Authority

This District will not accept any otherwise eligible application for meter service installation unless it is accompanied by payment of the applicable capacity fee imposed by the San Diego County Water Authority. These fees are in accordance with the schedule authorized by the San Diego County Water Authority, which may be changed by that agency from time to time. This District is acting only as a collection agent for these fees.

E. Cancellation of Meter Application or Service Change

The cost for canceling a meter application or service change after it has been submitted and processed will be \$348.00.

F. Service Lateral Termination

The cost for terminating a meter service lateral will be \$3,054.00.

G. Commercial Irrigation Service Conversion

The cost for converting an existing domestic commercial service lateral into a dedicated combination irrigation and domestic service will be \$2,717.00.

4.4.13 District Overhead

A 20% material burden factor will be applied to all bills rendered for parts or material furnished by the District. In addition, a 5% services burden will be applied to all bills rendered that require the District to administer a contract.

4.4.14 Fees Related to Payment of Bills

A. Delinquent Bills and Meters Locked for Non-Payment

All water bills are due and payable upon presentation. If unpaid pursuant to Sections 2.2.3 and 2.2.4, the bill becomes delinquent. If not paid by the penalty date, the service becomes subject to discontinuance and will be charged a fee of \$20.00. Prior to discontinuing a service, a reminder is given to the customer by attaching a door hanger or mailing a discontinuation notice. The fee charged for a door hanger will be \$91.00. The fee charged for a mailed discontinuation notice will be \$49.00. Returned check charge will be \$48.00.

Pursuant to Water Code 25806, unpaid water charges may be added to and become a part of the annual assessment levied upon the real property. The cost for reporting delinquent accounts that are added to the property tax roll will be \$125.00.

Services that are locked for non-payment of water bills will be charged an additional \$204.00; customers who qualify for the Delinquent Lock Hardship fee will be charged \$61.00. To unlock a meter after hours, there will be a charge of \$225.00; customers who qualify for the After-hours Unlock Hardship fee will be charged \$184.00.

Broken District locks shall be billed at the rate of \$225.00 per lock. If a meter is pulled for delinquency, there will be a minimum charge of \$225.00.

The fees charged for repairing damaged curb stops are as follows:

5/8" damaged curb stop:	\$ 1,106.00
3/4" damaged curb stop:	\$ 1,106.00
1" damaged curb stop:	\$ 1,178.00

The fee for repairing damaged curb stops larger than 1" is variable and is dependent upon the number of hours spent by District staff and parts used. The fee will be based on actual costs.

B. Meters Locked by Request of Owner

Upon written request by owner, the meter will be locked as a convenience to the customer by the District for a charge of \$86.00 and subsequently unlocked for an additional \$86.00. To lock or unlock a meter after hours, there will be a charge of \$225.00.

Locked meters will be charged a bi-monthly Readiness-to-Serve charge based on twenty-five percent (25%) of the Readiness-to-Serve charge for that account.

Locking of meters at the request of the owner does not relieve the owner of the responsibility for payment for any water used through the meter or for any damage resulting therefrom. All water registered through the meter after the District has locked the meter shall be paid for by the customer.

#### 4.4.15 Capacity Fees

For all water meters installed, the following charges shall be made:

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Capacity Fee</u>
5/8"	\$ 7,156.00
3/4"	\$ 10,734.00
1"	\$ 17,890.00
1 1/2"	\$ 35,779.00
2"	\$ 57,247.00
3"	\$ 114,494.00
4"	\$ 178,897.00
6"	\$ 357,794.00
8"	\$ 572,470.00
10"	\$ 822,925.00
12"	\$ 1,538,512.00

These fees are not refundable. If the size of the meter is increased, the difference in capacity fees between the new and old meter at the current prices will be paid. There is no refund of the capacity fees if the meter is reduced in size.

The Board of Directors will waive all capacity fees when installing individual meters at multiple-family residences served by an existing single meter and will request that the San Diego County Water Authority will also waive their capacity fees for the customer.

#### 4.4.16 Water Conservation Fees

Second water citation within 12 months	\$ 300.00
Third water citation within 12 months	\$ 526.00
In addition, a flow restrictor may be installed for up to five days.	
Four or more water citations within 12 months	\$ 751.00
In addition, a flow restrictor may be installed or service may be discontinued.	
1" and smaller flow restrictor installation & removal	\$ 396.00
1 1/2" and 2" flow restrictor installation & removal	\$ 755.00

These fees will be added to the water account and will be subject to Section 2.2 - Billing Procedures.

#### 4.4.17 Unauthorized Taking of District Water

If it is determined there has been an unauthorized use of District water through an illegal hook-up, the fee for this unauthorized taking of District water will be \$3,686.00.

4.4.18            Miscellaneous Fees

A bid protest will be charged a fee for contracts under \$60,000 of \$409.00. For contracts over \$60,000 the fee will be \$695.00 to also cover the costs of taking the bid protest to the Board of Directors for consideration.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the following roll call vote of the Board of Directors for the Vista Irrigation District this 15th day of October 2025.

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT:

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Patrick Sanchez, President

ATTEST:

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Ramae Ogilvie, Secretary  
Board of Directors



**STAFF REPORT**

**Board Meeting Date: October 15, 2025**  
**Prepared By: Frank Wolinski**  
**Approved By: Brett Hodgkiss**

SUBJECT: 2025 TRIENNIAL PUBLIC HEALTH GOAL REPORT

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Conduct a public hearing for the purpose of soliciting and responding to public comment on the Vista Irrigation District’s 2025 Triennial Public Health Goal Report; and
2. Accept the 2025 Triennial Public Health Goal Report.

PRIOR BOARD ACTION: At its August 17, 2022 meeting, the Board accepted the 2022 Triennial Public Health Goal (PHG) Report.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

SUMMARY: Section 116470(b) of the California Health and Safety Code requires public water systems serving more than 10,000 service connections to prepare a brief written report triennially that informs the public when it detects one or more contaminants in drinking water that exceed the applicable PHG. Part (c) of the same code section requires that the public water system conduct a public hearing for the purpose of accepting and responding to public comment on the report.

DETAILED REPORT: PHGs are non-enforceable goals established by the State of California (California Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Environmental Health and Hazard Assessment – OEHHA). The State deems PHGs as “concentrations of contaminants in drinking water that ... pose no significant health risk if consumed for a lifetime.” PHGs should be distinguished from the regulatory Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL), which is the enforceable maximum concentration of a contaminant in drinking water that the State considers safe for public health.

For chemical contaminants with California MCLs, but no corresponding California PHG, the State requires that the Federally established Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) be used for the purpose of complying with the requirement of public notification. MCLGs are similar to PHGs in that they are strictly health-based standards that include a margin of safety. Unlike PHGs, however, the MCLGs for carcinogens are set at zero because the United States Environmental Protection Agency assumes there is no absolutely safe level of exposure to them. California PHGs for carcinogens are set at a level considered to pose no significant risk of cancer, usually one-in-a-million excess cancer risk over a lifetime.

The apparent purpose of the legislative requirement to prepare a PHG Report and present it at a public hearing is to give water system customers access to information on levels of contaminants even below the enforceable mandatory MCL. Information presented in the PHG Report includes, where available, the numerical public health risk, the category of health risk, the best treatment technology available to remove or reduce the constituent, and an estimate of the cost to install the treatment.

The District’s 2025 PHG Report concludes that “Vista Irrigation District’s water quality meets all state and federal drinking water standards set to protect public health. ....[N]o action to incorporate new treatment

technologies to reduce constituent levels to below PHG or MCLG levels is proposed.”

The Notice of Public Hearing on October 15, 2025, at 9:00 AM to receive public comment relative to the District’s 2025 PHG Report was posted and (will have been) duly published in the San Diego Union-Tribune (Union-Tribune) a newspaper of general circulation in the District’s service area on October 5, 2025 and October 13, 2025. The affidavit of publication will be included as part of the administrative record and made available to the public upon receipt from the Union-Tribune. A copy of the 2025 PHG Report was made available for public review on the District’s website at <https://www.vidwater.org/triennial-public-health-goal-reports> and at the District’s office located at 1391 Engineer Street in Vista.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Notice of Public Hearing
- 2025 Triennial Public Health Goal Report



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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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The public hearing will be held at 9:00 AM, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, on Wednesday, October 15, 2025. All interested parties are invited to attend said public hearing and provide comment relative to this matter. Written comments should be directed to the attention of the District Board Secretary and will be received at the address noted above until 9:00 AM on October 15, 2025.

Further information may be obtained at the District Board Secretary's office by telephoning (760) 597-3128 between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ramae Ogilvie".

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Ramae A. Ogilvie, Secretary  
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The Undersigned, declares under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California: That he/she is the resident of the County of San Diego. That he/she is and at all times herein mentioned was a citizen of the United States, over the age of twenty-one years, and that he/she is not a party to, nor interested in the above-entitled matter; that he/she is chief clerk for the publisher of

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I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct..

Executed at San Diego, California,  
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# REPORT ON WATER QUALITY RELATIVE TO PUBLIC HEALTH GOALS

2022 - 2024

California Health and Safety Code Section 116470(b)

## **Background**

Provisions of the California Health and Safety Code specify that public water systems serving more than 10,000 service connections prepare a special report if any of their water quality measurements have exceeded any Public Health Goals (PHGs). PHGs are non-enforceable goals established by the California Environmental Protection Agency's Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA). The law also requires that where OEHHA has not adopted a PHG for a constituent, the water suppliers are to use the non-enforceable Maximum Contaminant Level Goals (MCLGs) adopted by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA).

If a constituent was detected in Vista Irrigation District's (District's or District) water supply in 2022 through 2024 at a level exceeding an applicable PHG or MCLG, this report identifies the constituent and provides the information required by the law. Where available, the numerical public health risk, the category of health risk, the best treatment technology available to remove or reduce the constituent and an estimate of the cost to install the treatment are included.

## **Public Health Goals**

PHGs are based solely on public health risk considerations. None of the practical risk-management factors that are considered by the USEPA or the California Division of Drinking Water (DDW) in setting drinking water standards (Maximum Contaminant Levels or MCLs) are considered in setting the PHGs. These factors include analytical detection capability, treatment technology available, benefits and costs. ***PHGs are not enforceable and are not required to be met by any public water system. MCLGs are the federal equivalent to PHGs.***

## **Water Quality Data Considered**

All the water quality data collected for the District system in 2022, 2023, and 2024 for purposes of determining compliance with drinking water standards was considered. This data was summarized in the annual Consumer Confidence Reports for the same years, which the District made available to customers via its website or in hard copy upon request.

## **Best Available Treatment Technology and Cost Estimates**

Both the USEPA and the DDW adopted what are known as Best Available Technologies (BATs). These methods are some of the most effective at reducing constituent levels to or below the MCL. Costs can be estimated for such technologies. However, since many PHGs and all MCLGs are set much lower than the MCL, it is not always possible to determine what treatment technique is needed to further reduce a constituent to or near the PHG or MCLG, many of which are set at zero. Estimating the cost to reduce a constituent to zero is difficult (if not impossible) because it is not possible to verify by analytical means that the level has been lowered to zero. In some cases, installing treatment processes to try and further reduce very low levels of one constituent may have adverse effects on other aspects of water quality.

### **2022-2024 Constituents detected that exceed a PHG or MCLG**

Constituent	Units	MCL	PHG or (MCLG)	DLR	Highest Average Detected		
					2022 (Location)	2023 (Location)	2024 (Location)
Arsenic	ug/L	10	0.004	2	2.3 (a)	2.1 (a)	ND
Bromate	ug/L	10	0.1	1	3.0 (a)	ND	1.7 (a)
Chlorite	mg/L	1	0.05	0.02	0.27 (b)	0.39 (b)	0.47 (b)
Hexavalent Chromium	ug/L	10	0.02	0.1	0.11 (a)	ND	ND
Copper	mg/L	1.3*	0.3*	0.05	NC	NC	0.54 (d)
Gross Alpha	pCi/L	15	0 (MCLG)	3	ND	ND	3.3 (b)
Gross Beta	pCi/L	50	0 (MCLG)	4	7.0 (e)	ND	13.6 (b)
Uranium	pCi/L	20	0.43	1	2.0 (e)	2.5 (c)	2.5 (c)
Total Coliform	Presence	>5% per month	0% per month	NA	ND (d)	0.81% (d)	1.6% (d)

(a) = Twin Oaks Valley Water Treatment Plant  
 (b) = Escondido-Vista Water Treatment Plant  
 (c) = Robert A. Weese Filtration Plant  
 (d) = Vista Irrigation District  
 (e) = Robert A. Skinner Water Treatment Plant  
 \*=90<sup>th</sup> Percentile

mg/L = Milligrams per Liter or parts per million (ppm)  
 ug/L = Micrograms per Liter or parts per billion (ppb)  
 pCi/L = Picocuries per Liter (a measure of radiation)  
 DLR = Detection Limit for Purposes of Reporting  
 NC = Not Collected  
 ND = Not Detected

## **Constituents Exceeding PHGs**

The following is a discussion of constituents that were detected in the District's source water or distributed water at levels above the PHG, or if no PHG, above the MCLG.

### **Arsenic**

The MCL for arsenic is 10 ug/L. A PHG of 0.004 ug/L was adopted by OEHHA in 2004. The level of arsenic detected in source water supplied by the Twin Oaks Water Treatment Plant was 2.3 ug/L in 2022, 2.1 ug/L in 2023. The DLR is 2.0 ug/L.

The EPA states, "Some people who drink water containing arsenic in excess of the MCL for many years could experience skin damage or problems with their circulatory system and may have an increased risk of getting cancer." The cancer health risk is  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  (one per million) at the PHG and  $2.5 \times 10^{-3}$  (2.5 per thousand) at the MCL.

The following treatment methods have proven effective for removing arsenic to below the MCL of 10 ug/L: adsorption media, ion exchange, coagulation/filtration, oxidation/filtration, and point of use or point of entry treatment using activated alumina or reverse osmosis (RO).

It is unclear whether treatment to lower arsenic below the PHG would be feasible, as BATs are designated for treatment to achieve compliance with the corresponding MCL only and not the PHG. It should be noted that cost estimates are developed for treatment to the MCL and not to the lower PHG level.

### **Bromate**

The MCL for bromate is 10 ug/L. A PHG of 0.1 ug/L was adopted by OEHHA in 2009. The RAA (Running Annual Average) level of bromate detected in source water supplied by the Twin Oaks Water Treatment Plant was 3.0 ug/L in 2022 and 1.7 ug/L in 2024. The Robert A. Skinner Water Treatment Plant reported RAA levels at 1.2 ug/L in 2022 and 1.5 ug/L in 2024. The DLR is 1.0 ug/L.

Bromate is formed when naturally occurring bromide reacts with ozone during the disinfection process. Bromate can also be a byproduct of chlorinated water when exposed to sunlight. Bromate is considered a carcinogenic health risk according to OEHHA and the California Environmental Protection Agency. The cancer health risk is  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  (one per million) at the PHG (0.1 ug/L).

The BAT for bromate reduction is RO treatment prior to ozone disinfection. RO treatment would reduce bromide concentrations; thus, the demand for ozone decreases, reducing bromate formation. As accepted method detection limits for bromate are near the PHG, and the DLR is well above the PHG, it would be difficult to assess the effectiveness of RO treatment in reaching the PHG level.

## **Chlorite**

Chlorite is a disinfection byproduct produced in the treatment of drinking water with chlorine dioxide. The MCL for chlorite is 1.0 mg/L. A PHG of 0.05 mg/L for chlorite was adopted by OEHHA in 2009. Chlorite was detected at the effluent of the Escondido-Vista Water Treatment Plant at an average of 0.27 mg/L in 2022, 0.39 mg/L in 2023 and 0.47 mg/L in 2024. The DLR is 0.02 mg/L.

Several studies reveal that oral exposure to chlorite can result in hematological, endocrine, reproductive, and gastrointestinal effects, as well as changes in neurobehavioral development at levels higher than the MCL.

There are no acceptable carcinogenicity studies on chlorite; however, existing lower-quality cancer studies and limited positive genotoxicity data suggest that chlorite may be a weak carcinogen or have carcinogenic potential.

The best available technology for chlorite removal is RO, which achieves over 90% effectiveness and is designated by the EPA as a BAT. It provides high removal efficiency for chlorite and other inorganics and treats a broad range of contaminants. However, RO systems are energy-intensive, costly to install and operate, require pretreatment, and produce brine waste. Ion exchange, particularly with strong base anion resins, offers moderate chlorite removal depending on resin type and water chemistry. It is more cost-effective and scalable but less efficient than RO and poses challenges such as frequent regeneration, brine disposal and competition with other anions. Chemical reduction methods using agents like sulfite or ferrous iron have been studied to convert chlorite to chloride but are not widely implemented due to the need for precise dosing, risk of byproduct formation and limited field validation.

## **Hexavalent Chromium**

OEHHA established the nation's first PHG for hexavalent chromium (Cr VI) in drinking water at 0.02 ug/L in 2011. This PHG represents a Cr VI concentration posing minimal health risks over a lifetime of exposure. In April 2024, the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) approved a new MCL for Cr VI at 10 ug/L in an attempt to reduce cancer and kidney disease cases from long-term exposure. Cr VI was detected at Twin Oaks Valley Water Treatment Plant at 0.11 ug/L in 2022. The DLR is 0.1 ug/L

Cr VI is a toxic form of chromium known to cause serious health effects. Long-term ingestion through drinking water has been linked to an increased risk of stomach and intestinal cancers, as well as liver and kidney damage. Inhalation of Cr VI, common in industrial settings, can lead to lung cancer, nasal irritation and respiratory issues. Skin contact may cause allergic reactions, rashes, and ulcers. Due to its carcinogenic and toxic properties, Cr VI is considered a significant public health concern, especially for vulnerable populations and workers in industries where exposure is common.

The best available technology for removing Cr VI is ion exchange using strong base anion resins, which is EPA-designated and achieves over 90% removal efficiency. It is cost-effective

and suitable for both small and large systems, though it competes with other anions and requires regeneration and brine disposal. RO is another effective method, also removing over 90% of Cr VI, and offers broad contaminant removal but comes with high capital and operating costs, energy demands, and brine waste. Reduction-coagulation-filtration (RCF) is an alternative approach where Cr VI is reduced to Chromium III and then removed via coagulation and filtration. While effective and potentially lower in cost, RCF requires careful chemical dosing and pH control, and generates sludge that must be managed.

## **Copper**

There is no MCL for copper. Instead, the 90<sup>th</sup> percentile value of all samples from household taps in the District's distribution system cannot exceed an Action Level of 1.3 mg/L for copper. This means that 90% of the samples must be below the Action Level. All 51 samples (100%) collected by the District in 2024 were below the Action Level. The PHG for copper is 0.3 mg/L. Of the 51 copper samples collected in 2024, 11 were equal to or greater than the 0.3 mg/L PHG. The DLR is 0.05 mg/L.

The category of health risk for copper is gastrointestinal irritation. Numerical health risk data on copper has not yet been provided by OEHHA.

The District's water system is in full compliance with the Federal and State Lead and Copper rules. Based on the District's sampling, it was determined, according to State regulatory requirements, that the District is below the Action Level for Copper. Therefore, the District is deemed by DDW to have "optimized corrosion control" and are placed on a reduced monitoring schedule of once every three years.

The District's source water supplies contain no detectable copper; however, research has shown that elevated copper levels may still be observed in household water taps due to the corrosion of copper and brass fittings in household plumbing. Optimizing water quality parameters to minimize corrosion is considered the best available technology for reducing the incidence of elevated household tap copper levels. The District monitors water quality parameters which relate to corrosion, such as pH, hardness, alkalinity and total dissolved solids.

Since the District meets the "optimized corrosion control" requirements, it is not prudent to initiate additional treatment, which would involve the addition of other chemicals that may raise other water quality issues.

## **Gross Alpha**

USEPA has established the MCLG for gross alpha particle activity in drinking water, set at zero picocuries per liter (pCi/L). This PHG represents a health-protective level of exposure, indicating that any detectable level of gross alpha radiation in drinking water may pose some health risk over a lifetime of consumption.

Ingesting water containing alpha-emitting radionuclides can increase the risk of various cancers, particularly of the bone, liver, and lungs. The risk is cumulative, meaning long-

term exposure to even low levels of alpha radiation can contribute to an increased cancer risk over time.

The MCL, MCLG and DLR for gross alpha activity are 15 pCi/L, zero pCi/L and 3 pCi/L, respectively. Gross alpha was detected at the effluent of the Escondido-Vista Water Treatment Plant at 3.3 pCi/L in 2024. Robert A. Weese Water Filtration Plant detected a 3.1 pCi/L in 2024.

## **Gross Beta**

Gross beta radiation in drinking water refers to the total beta particle activity from radioactive substances, both naturally occurring and man-made. Beta particles are a form of ionizing radiation that can pose health risks if ingested, especially over long periods. The MCL for gross beta particle activity is 4 millirems over an entire year (mrem/yr); however, 50 pCi/L is used as a screening trigger by both the EPA and SWRCB. If the measured gross beta activity, excluding naturally occurring potassium-40, is less than or equal to 50 pCi/L, it is in compliance with the state's MCL dose limit of 4 mrem/yr for radionuclides in drinking water and does not require further testing (22 CCR §64443). The MCLG for gross beta particle activity is zero pCi/L. The Robert A. Skinner Water Treatment Plant detected 7 pCi/L in 2022. The Escondido-Vista Water Treatment Plant detected 13.6 pCi/L in 2024. The DLR is 4.0 pCi/L. The unit pCi/L measures the concentration of radioactivity in water, while mrem/yr reflects the effective radiation dose to humans.

Long-term ingestion of gross beta radiation in drinking water may increase cancer risk (e.g., bone, thyroid, blood cancers) due to exposure to radionuclides like strontium-90 and iodine-131. These radionuclides can accumulate in organs, where they emit ionizing radiation that damages DNA and tissues. Vulnerable groups, such as children, pregnant women and the immunocompromised are especially at risk, making long-term exposure a significant public health concern.

The best available technology for removing both gross alpha and gross beta radiation includes ion exchange, which is EPA-designated and effective for removing alpha-emitting radionuclides like uranium and radium. Ion exchange is widely used but requires regular regeneration and brine disposal. RO is also highly effective, removing over 90% of alpha particles, though it involves higher costs, energy use, and brine management. Lime softening is another option, particularly effective for radium and uranium removal in large municipal systems, but it generates significant sludge and requires careful chemical handling.

## **Uranium**

Uranium is a naturally occurring radioactive element found in the earth's crust and is present in ground and surface waters due to its natural occurrence in geological formations. The MCL for uranium is 20 pCi/L. A PHG of 0.43 pCi/L for uranium was adopted by OEHHA in 2001.

The level of uranium detected in source water supplied by the Twin Oaks Water Treatment Plant averaged 2.3 pCi/L in 2024. Water analyzed from the Weese Treatment Plant averaged 1.1 pCi/L in 2022 and 2.5 pCi/L in 2023 and 2024. The Robert A. Skinner Water Treatment Plant reported 2.0 pCi/L of uranium in 2022, 2023 and 2024.

The presence of uranium increases the risk of cancer and is toxic to kidney function. The cancer health risk is  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  (one per million) at the PHG and  $5 \times 10^{-5}$  (five per hundred thousand) at the MCL. Uranium intake from water is roughly equal to the intake from other dietary components.

The BATs to lower the level of uranium below the MCL include the following:

- Enhanced coagulation followed by filtration
- Lime softening
- Ion exchange
- Reverse osmosis.

It is unclear whether treatment to lower uranium below the PHG would be feasible, as BATs are designated for treatment to achieve compliance with the corresponding MCL only, and not PHGs. Likewise, it should be noted that cost estimates are developed for treatment to the MCL and not to the lower PHG level.

### **Total Coliform**

Each month, District employees collect 120 to 150 samples from the distribution system for coliform analysis. Occasionally, a sample was found to be positive for coliform bacteria, but repeat samples were negative in all cases. In any given month, a maximum of 1.6% of the samples, or two samples, were total coliform-positive. Total coliform has no MCL, but exceeding 5% for total coliform-positive samples in a single month for the District requires a Level 1 Assessment per the SWRCB. A Level 1 Assessment requires water systems to identify a possible cause to the total coliform-positive samples and take corrective action(s).

The MCLG for coliform bacteria is zero. Coliforms are indicator organisms that are not generally considered harmful but may indicate the presence of potential pathogens. Pathogens are organisms that may cause waterborne disease. The reason for the coliform standard is to minimize the possibility of water containing pathogens. Coliform is only a surrogate indicator of the potential presence of pathogens, so it is not possible to state a specific numerical health risk.

The District takes many steps to minimize the potential for coliform bacteria. They are:

- Maintain and monitor the disinfectant residual throughout the distribution system.
- Utilize clean, self-contained distribution sample test points.
- Maintain positive pressures in the distribution system.
- Maintain an effective cross-connection control program.

### **Recommendations For Further Action:**

The District's water quality meets all state and federal drinking water standards set to protect public health; the levels of the constituents identified in this report are already significantly below the health-based MCLs established to provide "safe drinking water." The effectiveness of additional costly treatment processes to provide any significant reductions in constituent levels at these already low values is uncertain. The health

protection benefits of these further hypothetical reductions are unclear and may not be quantifiable; therefore, no action to incorporate new treatment technologies to reduce constituent levels to below PHG or MCLG levels is proposed.

The District continuously monitors and assesses water quality parameters to ensure compliance with all state and federal regulations for safe drinking water. The District utilizes operational controls, monitoring, testing, data collection and analysis and collaborates with water providers and regulatory authorities to ensure that the water the District delivers meets the highest water quality standards feasible.

For more information on Public Health Goals, visit –  
<https://oehha.ca.gov/water/public-health-goals-phgs>



## STAFF REPORT

Agenda Item: 9

**Board Meeting Date:** October 15, 2025  
**Prepared By:** Ranae Ogilvie  
**Approved By:** Brett Hodgkiss

SUBJECT: 2026 BOARD MEETING DATES

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Establish 2026 Board meeting dates to resolve conflicts as follows: hold one Board meeting in May on May 20, 2026 and schedule one meeting in December on December 16, 2026; and
2. Select a date in April 2026 for required ethics training.

PRIOR BOARD ACTION: At its October 23, 2024 meeting, the Board adopted the 2025 meeting calendar.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

SUMMARY: In 1997, the Board set its regular meeting schedule to include the first and third Wednesdays of each month at 8:30 a.m. On October 2, 2019, the Board adjusted its Board meeting start times to 9:00 a.m. The Board's practice has been to adopt its calendar for the coming year taking into consideration any anticipated scheduling conflicts; staff has identified two scheduling conflicts in May and December 2026.

DETAILED REPORT: Staff has reviewed the 2026 calendar taking into consideration the District's established times for Regular and Adjourned meetings of the Board of Directors (first and third Wednesdays of the month at 9:00 a.m.), while considering upcoming events such as holidays, annual conferences, other potential conflicts, and required Director training. Staff proposes the following scheduling adjustments to the 2025 Board meeting calendar.

1. To avoid a conflict the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) Spring Conference being held May 5-7, 2026, staff recommends holding one Board meeting in May on May 20, 2026 (third Wednesday of the month).
2. Due to the ACWA Fall Conference in the first week of December and the Colorado River Water Users Conference in the second week of December, and in keeping with past practice, schedule one Board meeting in December on December 16, 2026 and forgo a second meeting in December to avoid conflicts with holidays and vacation schedules.

Directors are required to complete two hours of ethics training every two years (Directors Miller, Kuchinsky, Sanchez and MacKenzie completed training on April 15, 2024; Director Nuñez, appointed April 21, 2025, is required to complete ethics training within his first year of service, no later than April 2026). To meet the requirements for all Directors, staff recommends selecting a date in April 2026 for ethics training.

ATTACHMENT: Draft 2026 Board meeting calendar

Vista Irrigation District  
**Proposed 2026 BOARD MEETINGS**

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<b>Board meeting, start time 9:00 a.m.</b>	Purple = District holidays
Yellow = ACWA Conference	Green = CSDA Annual Conference
Blue = CRWUA Conference	Pink = CSDA Legislative Days



**Agenda Item: 10**

**STAFF REPORT**

**Board Meeting Date: October 15, 2025**  
**Prepared By: Brett Hodgkiss**

SUBJECT: MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE ACTIVITIES OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY

SUMMARY: Informational report by staff and directors concerning the San Diego County Water Authority. No action will be required.



**STAFF REPORT**

**Agenda Item: 11.A**

**Board Meeting Date: October 15, 2025**  
**Prepared By: Ranae Ogilvie**

SUBJECT: REPORTS ON MEETINGS AND EVENTS ATTENDED BY DIRECTORS

SUMMARY: Directors will present brief reports on meetings and events attended since the last Board meeting.



**STAFF REPORT**

**Agenda Item: 11.B**

**Board Meeting Date: October 15, 2025**  
**Prepared By: Ramae Ogilvie**  
**Approved By: Brett Hodgkiss**

SUBJECT: SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

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1	<b>San Diego County Water Authority Citizens Water Academy</b> <i>October 15, 16 and 18, 2025; San Diego County Water Authority</i> <i>Application deadline: Closed</i>	Nuñez ◊
2 *	<b>Vista Chamber Government Affairs</b> <i>November 6, 2025; 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.; The Film Hub, Vista</i> <i>Registration deadline: none</i>	Kuchinsky ◊ Nuñez ◊
3	<b>ACWA Regions 8, 9, &amp; 10 2025 Event – Registration Open</b> <i>November 13-14, 2025; Irvine Marriott, Irvine, CA</i> <i>Registration deadline: 11/7/2025; Cancellation deadline: TBD</i>	Kuchinsky (R)
4	<b>Special District Leadership Academy (CSDA) – Registration Open</b> <i>November 16-19, 2025; Embassy Suites Monterey; Seaside, CA</i> <i>Early Registration deadline: 10/16/2025; Cancellation deadline: 11/13/2025</i>	
5 *	<b>CSDA Quarterly Dinner Meeting</b> <i>November 20, 2025; 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.; The Butcher Shop Steakhouse, Kearny Mesa</i> <i>Registration Deadline: TBD</i>	
6	<b>ACWA 2025 Fall Conference</b> <i>December 2-4, 2025; San Diego, CA</i> <i>Registration and Cancellation deadline: 11/17/2025 4:30 pm</i>	MacKenzie (R, H) Sanchez (R, H) Kuchinsky (R) Miller (R, H)
7 *	<b>Vista Chamber Government Affairs</b> <i>December 4, 2025; 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.; The Film Hub, Vista</i> <i>Registration deadline: none</i>	Kuchinsky ◊ Nuñez ◊
8	<b>Colorado River Water Users Association Conference - Registration Open</b> <i>December 16-18, 2025; Caesars Palace, Las Vegas, NV</i> <i>Registration deadline: TBD; Hotel reservations close: 11/14/2025</i>	MacKenzie (R, H) Sanchez (R, H) Miller (R, H)
9	<b>ACWA 2026 Legislative Symposium</b> <i>February 11, 2026; Sacramento, CA</i> <i>Registration deadline: TBD</i>	
10	<b>Urban Water Institute 2026 Spring Conference</b> <i>February 25-27, 2026; Indian Wells, CA</i> <i>Registration deadline: TBD</i>	
11	<b>2026 Special District Legislative Days</b> <i>April 7-8, 2026; Sacramento, CA</i> <i>Registration deadline: TBD</i>	
12	<b>ACWA 2026 Spring Conference</b> <i>May 5-7, 2026; Sacramento, CA</i> <i>Registration deadline: TBD</i>	

	<b>SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS</b>	<b>ATTENDEES</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>Urban Water Institute 2026 Annual Conference</b> <i>August 19-21, 2026; San Diego, CA (tentative)</i> <i>Registration deadline: TBD</i>	
<b>14</b>	<b>CSDA 2026 Annual Conference</b> <i>August 24-27, 2026; Indian Wells, CA</i> <i>Registration deadline: TBD</i>	
<b>15</b>	<b>ACWA 2026 Fall Conference</b> <i>December 1-3, 2026; Anaheim, CA</i> <i>Registration deadline: TBD</i>	
<b>16</b>	<b>Colorado River Water Users Association Conference</b> <i>December 9-11, 2026; Caesars Palace, Las Vegas, NV</i> <i>Registration deadline: TBD</i>	

*\* Non-per diem meeting except when serving as an officer of the organization*

The following abbreviations indicate arrangements that have been made by staff:

**R**=Registration; **H**=Hotel; **A**=Airline; **S**=Shuttle; **C**=Car; **T**=Tentative; **◇**=Attendee to Self-Register



**STAFF REPORT**

**Board Meeting Date: October 15, 2025**  
**Prepared By: Brett Hodgkiss**

SUBJECT: ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS AND/OR PRESS RELEASES

SUMMARY: This item is placed on the agenda to enable the Board to identify and schedule future items for discussion at upcoming Board meetings and/or identify press release opportunities.

*Staff-generated list of tentative items for future agendas:*

- Exhaustion of administrative remedies - written objections to proposed water rates and charges (November)
- Proposed water rates and charges (November)
- Annual Organizational Meeting (December)
- Concession Management Agreement – Lake Henshaw Recreation Area
- Strategic Plan review
- Automated Meter Reading
- Recognition of 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of water being delivered to Vista



**Agenda Item: 13**

**STAFF REPORT**

**Board Meeting Date: October 15, 2025**  
**Prepared By: Ranae Ogilvie**

SUBJECT: COMMENTS BY DIRECTORS

SUMMARY: This item is placed on the agenda to enable individual Board members to convey information to the Board and the public not requiring discussion or action.



**Agenda Item: 14**

**STAFF REPORT**

**Board Meeting Date: October 15, 2025**  
**Prepared By: Brett Hodgkiss**

SUBJECT: COMMENTS BY GENERAL COUNSEL

SUMMARY: Informational report by the General Counsel on items not requiring discussion or action.



**Agenda Item: 15**

**STAFF REPORT**

**Board Meeting Date: October 15, 2025**  
**Prepared By: Brett Hodgkiss**

SUBJECT: COMMENTS BY GENERAL MANAGER

SUMMARY: Informational report by the General Manager on items not requiring discussion or action.



**Agenda Item: 16**

**STAFF REPORT**

**Board Meeting Date: October 15, 2025**  
**Prepared By: Brett Hodgkiss**

SUBJECT: CLOSED SESSION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL- ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

SUMMARY: Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9 (d)(2).  
Number of cases: 8