

MINUTES
SPECIAL EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE MEETING
of the
WEST VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
April 27, 2026

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Garcia called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Attendee Name	Present	Absent	Late	Arrived
Kelvin Moore	☒	☐	☐	
Angela Garcia	☒	☐	☐	
John Thiel	☒	☐	☐	
Linda Jadeski	☒	☐	☐	
Socorro Pantaleon	☒	☐	☐	
Mary Jo Hartley	☒	☐	☐	
Paola Lara	☒	☐	☐	
Jamie Jones, David Turch & Associates	☒	☐	☐	
Lily McKay, CalStrat	☒	☐	☐	

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Chair Garcia inquired if anyone from the public would like to speak. No requests were received, therefore Chair Garcia closed the public comment period.

III. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Federal Update (Verbal)

Jamie Jones with David Turch & Associates reported on the federal legislative process, including this year's earmark funding requests.

2. State Legislative Update (Verbal)

Lily McKay with CalStrat reported on the current state legislative process and discussed WVWD, sponsored AB 2568. Also, gave update on Director Young testifying alongside

WVWD

Minutes: 04/27/26

Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) regarding AB 2568, during Assembly Local Government Committee Hearing on April 22, 2026.

3. Updates to the External Affairs Committee

Public Outreach and Government Affairs Manager Pantaleon reported on POGA Van update, new District internship program, proposed video projects for Roemer groundbreaking, Careers in Water spotlight, and Roemer Treatment Process overview.

4. Minutes for the December 22, 2025, Regular Meeting and Minutes for the February 9, 2026, Special Committee Meeting

The Committee approved the minutes as presented.

5. Sponsorship Requests

Public Outreach and Government Affairs Manager Pantaleon gave an updated WWWD sponsorship for Juneteenth Jam, BIA Water Conference, Bloomington Community Health Systems, and Cal State San Bernardino Fellowship Program.

Staff were directed to present the request for the Cal State San Bernardino Fellowship Program at the next Board meeting for approval.

RESULT:	REFERRED TO BOARD
	Next: 05/21/2026 6:00 PM

6. Social Media Report: March - April 2026

Public Outreach and Government Affairs Manager Pantaleon reported that the District's social media platforms maintained steady engagement throughout the month, with educational and community-focused content continuing to perform the strongest.

7. West Valley Water District 75th Anniversary

Public Outreach and Government Affairs Manager Pantaleon presented a proposed 12-month plan of celebratory events commemorating WWWD 75th Anniversary.

8. West Valley Water District Welcome Packet Update

Public Outreach and Government Affairs Manager Pantaleon gave update on the WWWD Welcome Packet Update.

Staff were directed to present the item at the next Board meeting for approval.

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9. STEM Day/Education

Public Outreach and Government Affairs Manager Pantaleon gave update on WWWD STEM Day and Education outreach.

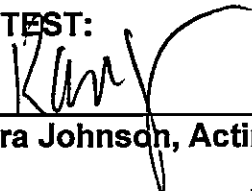
10. Transition to .GOV website and website accessibility

Public Outreach and Government Affairs Manager Pantaleon gave an update on the anticipated expansion of .gov domain requirements.

IV. ADJOURN

Chair Garcia adjourned the meeting at 3:35 p.m.

ATTEST:



Kara Johnson, Acting Board Secretary

Minutes were approved on June 15, 2026 by the External Affairs Committee of the West Valley Water District.

