

MINUTES
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING
of the
WEST VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
June 23, 2025

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Garcia called the meeting to order at 12:01 p.m.

Attendee Name	Present	Absent	Arrived
Angela Garcia	☒	☐	
Kelvin Moore	☒	☐	
Socorro Pantaleon	☒	☐	
John Thiel	☒	☐	
Linda Jadeski	☒	☐	
Joanne Chan	☒	☐	
Mary Jo Hartley	☒	☐	
Isabelle Medina	☐	☒	

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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

III. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Federal Update (Verbal)

None.

2. State Legislative Update (Verbal)

California Strategies representative Olsen provided an overview of legislation the District is supporting or opposing through the second half of the legislative year; and provided an update on the Delta Conveyance Project which was not included in the budget presented by the legislature but will likely continue through the policy process. Additionally, Ms. Olsen reported that the Office of Governor Newsom shared their appreciation of CalStrat providing a Me Too statement on behalf of the District against the audit of the Delta Conveyance Project.

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3. Updates to the External Affairs Committee

Manager of Public Outreach and Government Affairs Pantaleon reported that staff met with Fontana Unified and Rialto Unified School Districts to discuss K-12 education and career opportunities for the next school year. Staff will be working with Rialto Unified School District to bring a presentation to the Board of Directors in the upcoming weeks.

Ms. Pantaleon also provided an update of iPaySmart marketing, indicating they have been working diligently on the marketing as we get closer to launching the program, a variety of notifications were sent to customers via different media such as postcards, newsletters, social media, and website, and outreach will continue after program launch encourage customers to sign up. Additionally, water quality report postcards will also be mailed to customers in the upcoming days.

4. April 28, 2025 and May 22, 2025 Meeting Minutes

The committee approved the minutes.

5. Social Media Report

Senior Public Outreach and Government Affairs Representative Hartley provided an update on social media trends for the district for the reporting period of April to May 2025, and May to June 2025.

6. 2025 June Federal/State Legislative Update

Manager of Public Outreach and Government Affairs Pantaleon provided the report.

7. Sponsorship Policy

Manager of Public Outreach and Government Affairs Pantaleon presented the proposed policy. The committee reviewed previous monetary and water donation trends from Fiscal Year 24.25 and 23/24 and provided feedback on the policy. The policy will be presented to the Policy Review and Oversight Committee for review next.

IV. ADJOURN

Director Garcia adjourned the meeting at 1:10 p.m.

ATTEST:

Paola Lara

Paola Lara, Acting Board Secretary

Minutes were approved on September 29, 2025 by the External Affairs Committee of the West Valley Water District.

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