

District 9 Leadership Group (D9LG)

General Zoom Meeting Minutes

Wednesday Jan 8th, 2024; 7:00 –9:00 PM (Draft for approval at the 4/9/25 General Meeting)

In-Person at: The Watermark at Almaden

4610 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, CA 95118
4th Floor, Skyway Lounge
(Enter from Almaden Expy and park in underground parking lot)
Light refreshments compliments of The Watermark

Board Members:

Barbara (Bobbi) Pena Atak (Chair), Sam Ho (Vice Chair), Open Seat (Treasurer), David Noel (Secretary), Cole Cameron (Director at Large), Open Seat (Director at Large), Kyle Laveroni (D9 City Councilmember Pam Foley's Liaison, non-voting)

Time	Item	Presenter(s)
	Welcome to The Watermark at Almaden	
7:00 – 7:05	Approximately 27 attendees	Bobbi Atak
	Agenda & Minutes	
7:05 – 7:08	Motion to Approve Oct 9th General Meeting Minutes	David Noel
	Approved – Sam Ho/Bobbi Atak/unanimous	
	ComedySportz	
7:08 – 7:15	CEO Jeff Kramer provided an overview of his improvisational comedy competition shows located at 5440-D Thornwood Dr, San Jose, behind Oakridge Mall. Contact Jeff at jeff@cszsanjose.com to learn more about group night discounts for your neighborhood on Friday and Saturday nights. He also offers improv classes. See handout.	Jeff Kramer
	District 9 Council Office Update	
	City Councilmember Pam Foley was just promoted to Vice Mayor. She will be continuing with her same committee assignments in addition to her added duties.	
7:15 – 7:35	District 3 will hold a special election to fill their council vacancy, and an interim will be appointed to fill the seat until a winner is elected.	Pam Foley
	Good Samaritan Hospital's earthquake rebuild project was unanimously approved by city council. They agreed to provide \$3M of community benefits, including \$2M for	

	affordable housing, of which \$1M will be for the Cherry Ave Emergency Interim Housing development. Pam thanked Kyle Laveroni on her staff for conducting the community benefits negotiations. Music in the Valley will be held Sat May 10 th from 11am to 6pm. It will be larger this year and is moving to Cambrian Park Plaza. It will feature both D9 middle and high school student bands and professionals. The Vision Zero action plan is moving to the Transportation and Environment Committee, which Pam is a member of. She is hoping they can continue to be successful at getting federal grants.	
	San Jose City Housing Dept	
7:35 – 8:00	San Jose Housing Director Erik Solivan reported that construction would be starting shortly on the Cherry Ave Emergency Interim Housing. Approximately 8 unhoused people will be moved to another site away from the construction zone. It will have 138 beds with modular connected dual units that can accommodate some families. It will have the same builder as the Via Del Oro site. People will likely be allowed to stay there up to about two years due to the lack of available permanent supportive housing (PSH) 600 interim housing units are online, with 500 more coming by December 2025, including leased hotels. A project called El Cathedral of Faith will provide low income housing at a church site near the El Paseo project. The Branham/Monterey Emergency Interim Housing project was set to open shortly. The Housing department website is being re-formed and adding dashboards. Valley Water Board Director Jim Beall brought a few handouts on the new Water Resources Protection Zone ordinance. He also mentioned that community grants up to \$10,000 are available for projects that focus on water conservation, flood protection or environmental stewardship. For info, search online for the Valley Water mini-grant program. A project is in the works to enlarge the Pacheco Pass reservoir.	Erik Soliván
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	reservoir.	
8:00 – 8:08	Captain Steve Donohue provided an overview of District 9 crime stats. There was a cluster of burglaries near Hillsdale and Meridian. There was also a commercial cluster near Bass Pro Shop. SJPD caught a prolific thief at that location. There were 18 aggravated assaults. Also there were 5 accidents on Camden beween Hwy 85 and Hillsdale. We now have 474 automated license plate reader cameras working across the city. 15 Home Owners Associations have bought around 44 total as well. As a result, a barrage of stolen vehicles have been recovered. There were 341 hotlist hits in 30 days. SJPD is now looking into getting access to Department of Transportation traffic cameras, of which there are around 500	Captain Donohue
8:08 – 8:15	San Jose Police Dept Crime Prevention Unit Marissa Garcia provided a couple handouts including one listing available training presentations that the Crime Prevention Unit can give to community members. Examples are Neighborhood Watch, personal safety for students, adults and seniors, identity theft, drug awareness, gang awareness, internet safety, bullying and cyber bullying an teen dating violence prevention. Contact the Crime Prevention Unit at (408) 277-4133. Presentations typically last 60-90 minutes.	Marissa Garcia
8:15 – 8:25	Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Cole Cameron provided emergency preparedness tips in light of the recent devastating fires in Southern California. He has prepared four \$20 go-bag shopping lists, with many items available at Dollar Stores. Having multiple options is important, such as having supplies in multiple locations. Be sure to include fresh medicines, key documents on a memory stick or in the cloud. Hub networks can connect supplies with those in need. We have 90 people trained in CERT in District 9 (20 hour free class), but need a lot more.	Cole Cameron
	David Ngo from County Supervisor Sylvia Arenas's office noted that we now have a women led majority on the Board of Supervisors, with the two newest recently-elected Supervisors. The homeless Point In Time (PIT) count was coming soon, and they are seeking volunteers. The Office of Supporting Housing is being elevated to a full department and will have more funding.	David Ngo

	The TRUST Hotline now has a new direct phone number in addition to 988 to get non-emergency mental health help faster. The new number is (408) 596-7290. The City of San Jose gave the county \$450,000 to support the TRUST program.	
8:25 – 8:30	Financial Report Bobbi Atak provided a brief D9LG financial update. We were awarded a \$2,500.00 BeautifySJ Cycle 7 grant. We had a vacancy on the board for a treasurer, which has since been filled.	Bobbi Atak
8:30 – 8:40	Neighborhood Leaders Update Leaders and residents from Tatra, Erikson, Thousand Oaks, Valley View/Reed, Willow Creek, Cambrian Community Council and Hacienda provided updates on their respective neighborhoods and associations.	Neighborhood Leaders
8:40 – 8:44	Open Forum	All
8:44 – 8:45	Adjournment	

Next D9LG General Meeting April 9th, 7pm (Details To Be Announced):

For the latest updates on D9LG visit: www.D9LG.org

(See attached meeting handouts)









CRIME PREVENTION UNIT SERVICES



The Crime Prevention Unit offers free trainings to create awareness and educate the City of San José community on various topics:

- Neighborhood and Business Watch
- Personal Safety for adults, children, seniors, schools and the workplace
- Identity Theft
- Drug Awareness
- Gang Awareness
- Digital and Internet Safety
- Bullying and Cyber Bullying
- Teen Dating Violence Prevention



San José Police Department CRIME PREVENTION UNIT

SJPD.ORG 408) 277 - 4133

CRIME PREVENTION UNIT



Services Offered:

Resources and Referrals to improve community safety.

Safety and Awareness Presentations tailored to meet the needs and issues of community and faith based groups, schools, nonprofits and businesses.

Attend Events and Resource Fairs to provide resource information to create awareness and educate the community.

REPORT ILLEGAL ACTIVITY

(408) 293-4264

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911	Emergency
(408) 277-8911	Emergency on Cell Phone in San José
311	Non-Emergency
(408) 277-8900	Non-Emergency on Cell Phone in San José
(866) 249-0543	Report and Removal: Graffiti Hotline
(408) 975-7233	Program Information: Anti-Graffiti/Litter
ANONYMOUS M	ESSAGE TIP LINES
(408) 947-7867	Crime Stoppers
(408) 971-3784	Drug Hotline

Crime Prevention Unit (408) 277-4133

Gang Hotline

Revised June 2017



IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

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CITY OF SAN JOSÉ AND COUNTY SERVICES

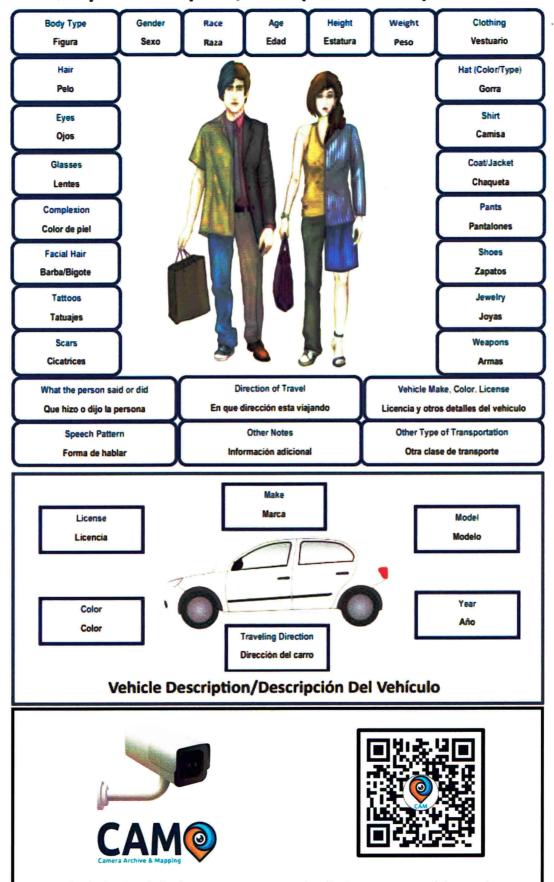
San José Emergency Calls	9-1-1	Ways to access San José 311:	708 535 3500
San José Emergency Calls from a cell phone	408-277-8911	 Call Customer Contact Center Download the Mobile App: San Jose 311 	000000000000000000000000000000000000000
San José Non-Emergency Calls	408-277-8900	3. Online access: sanjose.custhelp.com What to report with San José 311:	SAN JOSE
Online reporting	SJPD.ORG	potholes, streetlights, illegal dumping, and other services.	
CRIME PREVENTION UNIT	408-277-4133	CITY OF SAN JOSÉ WEBSITE	SANJOSECA.GOV
and Schools: Safety and Awareness Presentations, Events		Homeless Concerns/Encampments Figure 1: homelessconcerns@sanisesca.gov	408-975-1440
and Kesource Fairs, Kesources and Kererrais.		Homeless Helpline: Resources/Services	408-510-7600
Family Violence Center Domestic Violence	408-277-3700	BEAUTIFYSJ - Community Clean-up Resources	408-795-1851
Anti-Hate Crime Hotline	408-277-4161	San José Youth Empowerment Alliance - Youth Services	408-794-1630
Independent Police Auditor	408-794-6226	City of San José Animal Care and Services	408-794-7297
Records - Police Report Request Information	408-277-4143	Code Enforcement Department	408-535-7770
Vehicle Impound/Stolen Confirmation Line	408-277-4263	Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office	408-808-4400
Crime Stoppers P3 Mobile App is for reporting anonymous crime tips to aid police investigations.	[SCC Behavioral Health Services Website: bhsd.sccgov.org/home	8-8-6
Ways to report: Download the mobile ann: P3 Public Police		SCC C Office of Mediation: Conflict Resolution	408-993-4100
2. Online access: P3tips.com	Public · Police · Private Sector	Email: ParentProject(@da.sccgov.org	+6/6-000-00+
3. Call and leave a detailed message	408-947-7867	SCC County Victim Services Unit CPS - Child Protective Services Hotline	408-295-2656
To renort a crime in progress call 011 immediately		APS - Adult Protective Services Hotline	800-414-2002
10 report a crime in progress can 711 inimediately.		Megan's Law - Information on registered sex offenders	meganslaw.ca.gov
VOLT - SJPD Volunteer Program	408-277-8658	Office of Parking Violations	800-294-8258
SAN JOSÉ POLICE DEPARTMENT WEBSITE - How to report: in person, by phone and online - Crime Statistics - View crime in your community	SJPD.ORG	Cal Trans - Over/Under passes /Freeways to report: homeless encampments, graffiti, and illegal dumping.	csr.dot.ca.gov
- Recruitment - New programs and projects		Union Pacific Railroad - Near Railroad Tracks to report: homeless encampments, graffiti, and illegal dumping.	up.com/notifyup



For questions or presentations: (408) 277-4133 - SJPDCPU@SANJOSECA.GOV



Suspect Description/Descripción Del Sospechoso



Assist the San Jose Police Department to prevent crime. Register your camera/s by scanning the QR code or online at WWW.SJPD.ORG.

REGISTERING YOUR INFORMATION DOES NOT PROVIDE SJPD WITH DIRECT ACCESS TO YOUR CAMERA.

Water Resources Protection Zones Ordinance



OVERVIEW

Valley Water's Water Resources Protection Zones (WRPZ) Ordinance was adopted Nov. 26, 2024, to address the environmental, health, and safety impacts of encampments of unsheltered individuals living on Valley Water lands. The WRPZ Ordinance establishes new regulations prohibiting camping and encampment-related activities on Valley Water lands and outlines Valley Water's approach to encampment cleanup, removal, and enforcement related to violations of the regulations.

IMPLEMENTATION

The WRPZ Ordinance will enable Valley Water to better manage encampment impacts while continuing to work with local agencies and private partners to implement long-term solutions to address unsheltered homelessness within Santa Clara County. To read the full WRPZ Ordinance and Ordinance Implementation Plan and view a map of Valley Water lands, visit valleywater.org/encampments.

ENFORCEMENT PRIORITY LEVELS

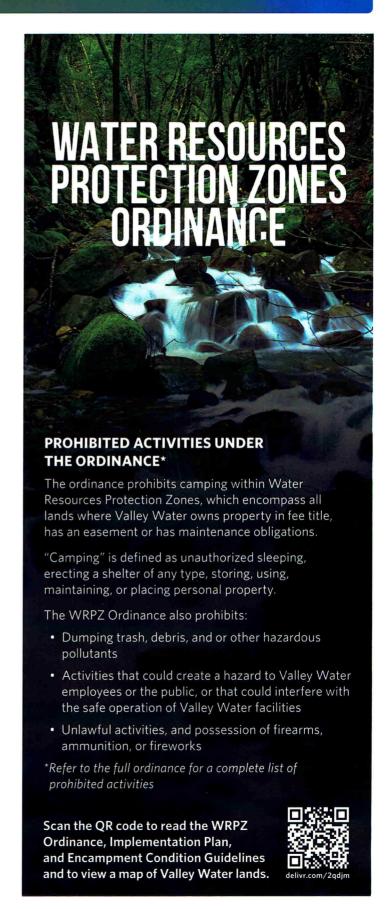
Implementation of the ordinance uniformly across all Valley Water lands would displace unsheltered people from encampments before adequate safe relocation sites, shelter, and housing options are available in Santa Clara County. In consideration of this reality, Valley Water will establish priority levels for encampment cleanup and removal under the ordinance. See reverse for priority levels.

ENCAMPMENT CONDITION GUIDELINES

The Ordinance Implementation Plan includes Encampment Condition Guidelines that establish basic parameters by which unsheltered individuals living in encampments on Valley Water lands can minimize negative environmental, health, and safety impacts by promoting positive camping practices and discouraging harmful actions. Valley Water will monitor encampments to ensure that conditions are safe and sanitary. Observations or complaints will be addressed with the unsheltered individuals living in an encampment where complaints or observations occur.

PROGRESSIVE ENFORCEMENT

Encampments that do not create operations or maintenance access issues and that meet the Encampment Condition Guidelines will be considered low priority for cleanup and or removal. Valley Water is committed to alternatives to enforcement that avoid citation and arrest wherever possible. Valley Water will strive to provide options to remedy violations through positive actions such as education.



EDUCATION AND OUTREACH

Valley Water staff will inform and educate unsheltered people living within Water Resources Protection Zones (WRPZ) on the ordinance and Encampment Condition Guidelines on a real-time, continual basis during encampment site visits.

VALLEY WATER RESPONSE TO PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES

Valley Water will take an educational approach to enforcing the ordinance by:



Providing educational information on activities prohibited by the ordinance.



Assisting in identifying Valley Water lands where ordinance prohibitions apply.



Providing an opportunity to self-remedy any violations.

Valley Water may take one or more of the following actions in response to activities prohibited by the ordinance:

Request the violator cease the prohibited activity or activities.



Request the violator relocate an encampment.



Prioritize an sencampment for cleanup and or removal.



Request law enforcement involvement to address unlawful activity.







Guadalupe River encampment cleanup at Willow Street in San José.

ENFORCEMENT PRIORITY LEVELS

Valley Water will prioritize encampment cleanup and removal as necessary to protect employees and public safety and to carry out Valley Water business.

HIGH PRIORITY FOR ENFORCEMENT

An encampment will be prioritized as high priority for cleanup and removal under any of the following conditions.

- The encampment is located in the path of or obstructing access to flood protection or water infrastructure facilities or projects; or designated restoration or vegetation management sites.
- The encampment is located within an area with posted signage listing restrictions on camping or re-encamping.
- The encampment poses an immediate safety risk, including situations that involve Valley Water staff safety or public safety issues, as determined by government agencies and their police or fire departments.
- The encampment is associated with extreme environmental hazards, including impacts to fish and wildlife or imminent human health or fire hazards.

In addition, unauthorized motor vehicles and trailers located within a Water Resources Protection Zone will be classified as high priority for cleanup and removal.

LOW PRIORITY FOR ENFORCEMENT

Encampments that meet the Encampment Condition Guidelines and maintain an external footprint, including all belongings, of 12 feet by 12 feet or less and do not create operations or maintenance access issues.

ENCAMPMENT REMOVAL PROTOCOL

When cleanup and removal action is warranted, per the priority levels described above, Valley Water staff will follow an encampment removal protocol:

Post the encampment for cleanup and removal.



Provide 72 hours notice before cleanup and removal.





Collaborate with local agencies for offers of available services and or housing or shelter.

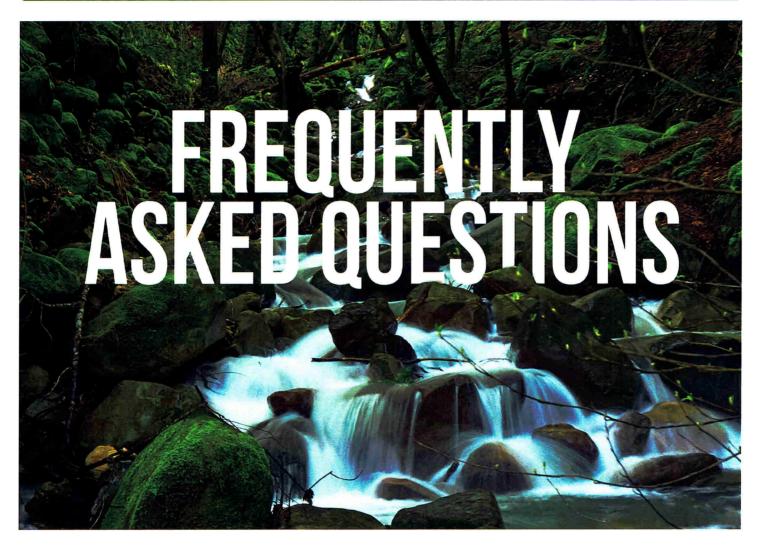
Arrange for processing and storage of personal belongings.



Perform encampment cleanup and removal.







WHAT IS AN ENCAMPMENT?

Valley Water's Water Resources Protection Zones Ordinance defines an encampment as one or more structures operating as a single entity, occupied by an individual or group of individuals, that is located illegally on Valley Water or other public property. An area where there are no structures, but where personal property is stored or where animals are kept and or maintained without authorization from Valley Water, is also considered an encampment.

WHAT IS VALLEY WATER DOING TO ADDRESS ENCAMPMENTS?

Valley Water collaborates with local agencies, social service providers, and law enforcement officers to address the challenges posed by encampments located on Valley Water property and their impacts to waterways and water supply and flood protection facilities.

Valley Water's **Water Resources Protection Zones Ordinance** was adopted on Nov. 26, 2024, to address the environmental, health, and safety impacts of encampments. The ordinance established new regulations prohibiting encampments and encampment-related activities on Valley Water lands and outlining Valley Water's approach to encampment cleanup, removal, and enforcement related to violations of the regulations.

Enforcement of the ordinance using an educational approach and progressive enforcement model will begin Jan. 2, 2025. You can read the ordinance and Ordinance Implementation Plan and view a map of Valley Water lands at: valleywater.org/encampments.

HOW DO I REPORT A POTENTIAL ENCAMPMENT?

You can report encampment-related concerns to Valley Water via our online system at: access.valleywater.org/s/. If you have an immediate safety concern, call 911.

WHEN WILL VALLEY WATER REMOVE AN ENCAMPMENT?

Valley Water will prioritize encampment cleanup and removal as necessary to protect employee and public safety and to carry out Valley Water business.

Implementation of the ordinance uniformly across all Valley Water lands would displace unsheltered people from encampments before adequate safe relocation sites, shelter, and housing options are available in Santa Clara County. In consideration of this reality, Valley Water will establish priority levels for encampment cleanup and removal under the ordinance.

HOW DOES VALLEY WATER PRIORITIZE ENCAMPMENT CLEANUP?

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- The encampment poses an immediate safety risk, including situations that involve Valley Water staff safety or public safety issues, as determined by government agencies and their police or fire departments.
- The encampment is associated with extreme environmental hazards, including impacts to fish and wildlife or imminent human health or fire hazards.

In addition, unauthorized motor vehicles and trailers located within a Water Resources Protection Zone will be classified as high priority for cleanup and removal.

LOW PRIORITY FOR ENFORCEMENT

Valley Water's **Encampment Condition Guidelines** establish basic parameters by which unsheltered individuals living in

encampments on Valley Water lands can minimize negative environmental, health, and safety impacts by promoting positive camping practices and discouraging harmful actions.

Encampments that do not create operations or maintenance access issues and that meet the **Encampment Condition Guidelines** will be considered low priority for cleanup and or removal. You can read the Encampment Condition Guidelines at: *valleywater.org/encampments*.

WHAT IS VALLEY WATER'S ENCAMPMENT RESPONSE PROTOCOL?

When cleanup and removal action is warranted, per the priority levels described above, Valley Water staff will follow an **Encampment Response Protocol**:

Post the encampment for cleanup and removal.



Provide 72 hours notice before cleanup and removal.





Collaborate with local agencies for offers of available services and or housing or shelter.

Arrange for processing and storage of personal belongings.

Perform encampment cleanup and removal.



Valley Water may take one or more of the following enforcement actions in response to activities prohibited by the ordinance:

Request the violator cease the prohibited activity or activities.

Request the violator relocate an encampment.



Prioritize an encampment for cleanup and or removal.



Request law enforcement involvement to address unlawful activity.





ABOUT

- Valley Water adopted a **Water**Resources Protection Zones (WRPZ)
 Ordinance on Nov. 26, 2024 to
 address the environmental, health,
 and safety impacts of encampments
 on Valley Water lands.
- The ordinance prohibits camping and encampment-related activities on Valley Water lands.

DOES THIS IMPACT ME?

- If you do not have access to available housing or shelter, then you must follow the new Encampment Condition Guidelines to be considered low priority for enforcement.
- If you have access to available housing or shelter, you cannot camp on Valley Water lands.

Scan the QR code



or visit valleywater.org/encampments to read the ordinance and the full Encampment Condition Guidelines and view a map of Valley Water lands. You may also request hard copies from Valley Water staff.

ENFORCEMENT

Encampments will be low priority for enforcement if they:

- . Do not create operations or maintenance access issues for Valley Water projects; and
- . Meet the Encampment Condition Guidelines.

In response to prohibited activities, Valley Water may take one or more of the following enforcement actions:

- Request that the individual(s) cease prohibited activity or activities.
- Request relocation of the encampment.
- . Prioritize the encampment for cleanup and or removal.
- Request law enforcement involvement to address unlawful activities.



Water Resources Protection Zones Ordinance & Encampment Condition Guidelines



This guide provides important information for those who are currently living in encampments on Valley Water lands.

Call the Santa Clara County Suicide Hotline

If you are having a mental health crisis:

Call the Santa Clara County Here 4 You

Hotline at 408-385-2400

If you need shelter services:

at 988 or 800-704-0900, or Santa Clara

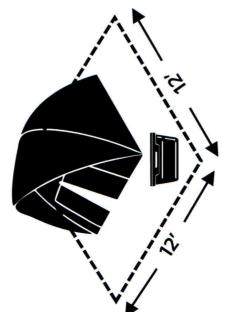
855-278-4204 or text 'RENEW' to 741741

County Behavioral Health Services at

CONDITION GUIDELINES* ENCAMPMENT

and help to protect the natural environment. nealth and safety of you and your neighbors Adhering to the guidelines will enhance the

*NOTE: This handout provides a summary of quidelines at valleywater.org/encampments the auidelines. Please refer to the full list of or request a copy from Valley Water staff.



Keep your shelter and personal belongings in a 12'x12' area and keep food in closed containers



Do not build structures out of wood, metal, or other hard materials



No open fires



Pets must be kept under Dispose of pet waste control and leashed;



No other unreasonable or sound amplifiers; noise disturbances No loudspeakers



of firearms, ammunition, No possession or use or weapons



No illegal drug possession or distribution, or other criminal activities



No possession or use of fireworks or explosives



No threats or acts of violence



neighboring properties or dump debris on Do not trespass



No unauthorized vehicles



Water lands or in waterways nazardous waste, or human No dumping trash, debris, or animal waste on Valley



or terracing soil, or altering

No digging, excavating,

the natural environment Keep all belongings off



maintenance access roads, amps, and trails



electrical, irrigation, or water utility lines No tapping into



Do not damage or remove vegetation, including trees



Do not capture fish or harm wildlife

and encampment-related activities on Valley Water land, and Valley Water reserves Encampment Condition Guidelines does not guarantee that an encampment will not be subject to enforcement under the ordinance. The ordinance prohibits camping Disclaimer: This brochure is for informational purposes only. Adhering to the the right to remove an encampment regardless of priority level.