

SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT



INVITES YOUR INTEREST FOR THE POSITION OF

**WATER QUALITY AND
TREATMENT MANAGER**

The San Lorenzo Valley Water District

The San Lorenzo Valley Water District was established in 1941 as an independent special district. The District is governed by a five-member Board of Directors, elected at-large from within the District's service area. The organization includes Administrative, Finance, Engineering, Watershed and Operations Departments and serves the communities of Boulder Creek, Brookdale, Ben Lomond, Lompico, Zayante, Scotts Valley, Manana Woods, and Felton.

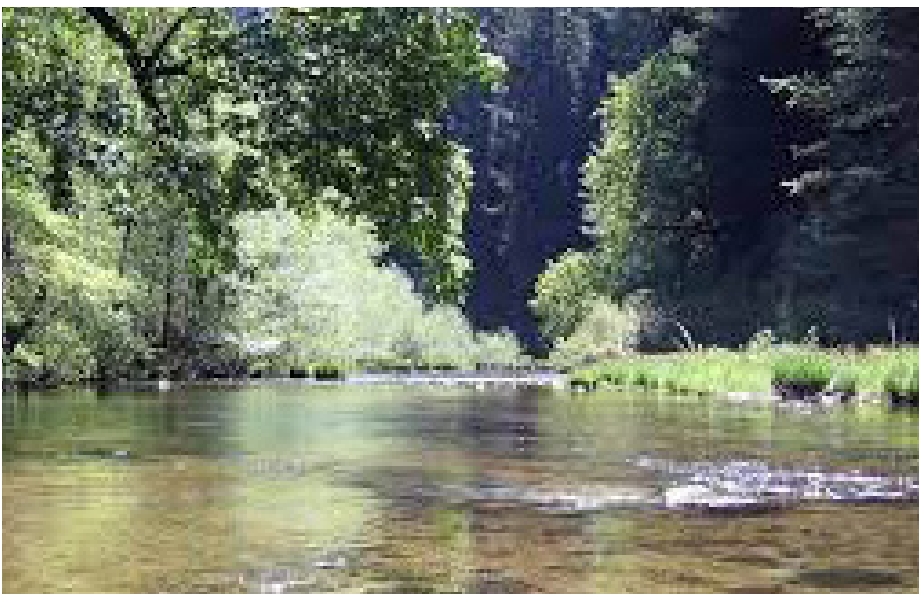


The District's boundaries comprise approximately 60 square miles, 190 miles of pipeline and operates 32 pressure zones. The District currently provides service to approximately 7,900 residential, commercial, and institutional connections. They rely on both surface water and groundwater resources, including nine currently active stream diversions, one groundwater spring, and eight active groundwater wells. The District owns, operates, and maintains two water systems from separate water sources. These sources are derived solely from rainfall within the San Lorenzo River watershed. They also own, operate, and maintain a wastewater system in Boulder Creek's Bear Creek Estates, which serves approximately 56 homes.

Their mission is to provide their customers and all future generations with reliable, safe, and high-quality water at an equitable price; to create and maintain outstanding customer service; to manage and protect the environmental health of the aquifers and watersheds; and, to ensure the fiscal vitality of the organization.

The Community

San Lorenzo Valley is located in the Santa Cruz mountains in Santa Cruz County, California. The area was once heavy in the logging industry, especially during the rebuilding of San Francisco after the 1906 earthquake. More recently, the growth in Silicon Valley has made the area more desirable and slightly more affordable than other areas of Silicon Valley. The San Lorenzo Valley contains multiple state parks, golf courses and an active railroad attraction. Over the years, the District's service area has changed from rural and vacation cabins to a more urbanized, year-round water-use area. It is home to an estimated 35,000 people.



The Position and Ideal Candidate Profile

Under direction of the Director of Operations, the Water Quality and Treatment Manager supervises, plans and directs the activities and personnel of the Water Treatment Division. This includes technical work in the operation and maintenance of the District's two conventional surface water treatment plants and wastewater facility while ensuring distributed and source water comply with State and Federal health requirements. This

position also ensures sampling, analyses and laboratory procedures conform to State and Federal standards and the laboratory maintains State certification. Providing drinking water to the consumer that is of the highest quality possible is of the utmost importance.



The new Water Quality and Treatment Manager will be vital in rebuilding the water system from the CZU Complex Fire especially the District's surface water raw conveyance network. They will supervise and participate in the monitoring, operation, installation, repair, and maintenance of water and wastewater treatment plants, water production, distribution and storage facilities, the

State certified laboratory, the wastewater collection system and wastewater pump stations. They are responsible for managing eight staff consisting of a Senior Water Treatment & System Operator, five Water Treatment & System Operators and two Electrician Instrumentation Technicians. This position is subject to after hours emergency response and other irregular timeframes. They will be vital to rebuilding the water system affected by the CZU Complex Fire.

In this role, the new hire will serve as the technical advisor to all departments on water quality issues as they relate to Title 22, Title 17, and the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1986 as well as other federal, state, and local regulations. Oversight of customer service inquiries along with the maintenance and preparation of records on treatment process, performance and instrumentation, water quality, and wastewater quality are vital to this assignment. The Water Quality and Treatment Manager must prepare for and serve as the Chief Plant Operator for all regulatory inspections. They are responsible for producing monthly and annual reports and publishing the annual consumer confidence report. The new manager will also speak to schools, civic groups, and the public as well as conduct tours of the treatment facilities.

The ideal background includes three years of experience as a Water Treatment and System Operator OR three years of experience in the operation and maintenance of water and wastewater treatment facilities, including or



supplemented by field work in water distribution. At least two years in increasingly responsible experience in a management role is required along with a Bachelor's degree in Chemistry, Biochemistry, Biology, Environmental Science, Chemical Engineering or a related field and/or equivalent, relevant experience. A Master's degree in a related field is preferred. In addition, possession of and continued maintenance of a State of California, Department of Health Services Water Treatment Certificate Grade T3, or the ability to obtain one within 18 months of hire date is mandatory.

Compensation and Benefits

The San Lorenzo Valley Water District offers an attractive compensation and benefits program. The base salary for this position is \$111,876 to \$149,928 annually, DOQ. In addition, the SLVWD offers the following benefits:

- ◆ CalPERS pension: Classic employees 2%@55. PEPRAs employees 2%@62.
- ◆ Eight medical insurance plans (six HMO and two PPO) for employees and their families. District contributes 100% for three plans and the majority of the premium for remaining plans. Health stipend of \$175/month paid to employee for not using District Medical insurance.
- ◆ Retired CalPERS Medical Insurance stipend .
- ◆ Paid time off accumulates with the bi-weekly pay period on the following schedule: 6.15 hours accrued in the first five years, 9.23 hours beginning the sixth year, and 10.77 hours beginning the 11th year. Paid time off accumulated over maximum is paid out annually.
- ◆ Dental and Vision Insurance is 100% paid for both employee and family members.
- ◆ 12 paid holidays and one floating holiday annually to be used during respective calendar year.
- ◆ Life and Disability Insurance is 100% paid for employee.
- ◆ Health Care and Dependent Care Reimbursement Plans.
- ◆ Longevity pay after 15 years of service, Cell phone, and use of District vehicle .
- ◆ Section 125 Supplemental Insurance Plans.
- ◆ Two Tax Deferred Compensation Plans.



The Process

To pursue this desirable career opportunity, please visit the Avery Associates Career Portal on our website at www.averyassoc.net/current-searches/ to upload your letter of interest, resume and contact information, including email addresses for five work-related references (who will not be contacted until after an interview takes place).

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The final filing date for this recruitment is July 26, 2022.



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