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## **SLV Water District celebrates 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary** *History of SLV Water District soon to be published*



**SLV Water Board celebrates the District's 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary and previews the publication of its history.** (From left to right) Randall C. Brown, local historian; SLV Water District Board members Fred McPherson, Jim Rapoza, Terry Vierra, Larry Prather, and Jim Nelson.

The San Lorenzo Valley Water District Board met for the first time on July 21, 1941. Seventy years later to the day, on July 21, 2011, the Board met and passed a resolution commemorating its anniversary, resolving “to continue providing water service for the next 70 years and beyond.”

Local historian Randall C. Brown, who attended the meeting, said in praise of the SLV Water District, “The weather in the valley has always been unpredictable, but the Board has always found a way of handling things as they come up.” Mr. Brown recently completed a history of the SLV Water District, which will soon be available for purchase.

Director Fred McPherson said he “appreciated reading the minutes of the Board’s first meeting in 1941,” when the first order of business was to elect the SLV Water District’s first Board president, Earl Lyon. Lyon was a Ben Lomond business man who was a long-time advocate of preserving local water rights for the San Lorenzo Valley.