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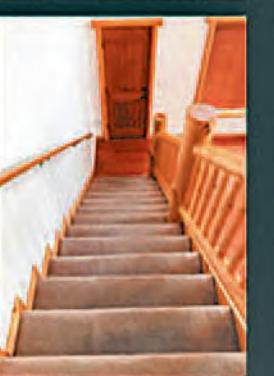
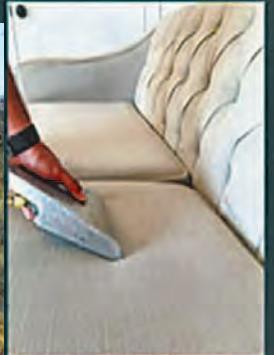
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Friends,

This time of year always brings me back to my youth.

Having grown up in Northeast Philadelphia, our family was surrounded by a neighborhood who relished decorating their houses (much as we, in the association, do!) for the holidays. It seemed even back then, right after Thanksgiving, that all of a sudden, lights magically appeared, ornate lawn decorations sprung up overnight, but most importantly - at least to me - the neighborhood's demeanor shifted to one of verbal greetings, handshakes, and smiles rather than the norm of imperceptible nods while walking by a neighbor. Even within our Association, you can feel this same magic in the air. Children are becoming more and more excited, our own street on the EQ side is lit up at night; where normally it's quite dark during the year, and even the cars driving by, while I'm pulling weeds from my front yard, are slowing down and waving.

What really makes my heart 'grow three sizes' though, is how we as a community embrace the Holiday season; and how we're accepting of all of the diverse backgrounds within SVLA.

You see, back in Philadelphia, there was one house in the neighborhood who didn't really do a lot of decorating, and that was mine.

Rather than a plethora of lights, a sole Menorah was put in the front window, and for each night of Hanukkah, we lit one more candle to celebrate. Our house was easily noticed as we were very different than most others in this way.

Fast forward to my mid 20's, I met my bride who celebrates Christmas, and for the first time in my life, I lived in a house with a Christmas tree in it. When the children came along, once they went to bed, we created our own traditions of a deep fried Turkey and present wrapping before midnight so as not to impact Santa's arrival with his gifts.

When the kids woke up, there was laughter, surprise, and joy - such a pure joy that I think we as adults sometimes forget that we can feel. That awe, sense of wonder, always makes me smile a little more, and puts a spring in my step for days. I believe it's because the same joy that our children felt waking up on Christmas day was the same joy I felt lighting a Hanukkah candle. The traditions were different, but the magic of the season was the same.

As a large and diverse community, I know we have those who celebrate Christmas, certainly those who celebrate Hanukkah (thanks to our neighbors down the street for the Hanukkah party invite!), those who may celebrate

Kwanza, and I'm sure other Holidays, or even just the season in of itself. While how we celebrate may be different, the unifying factor, I think, is the way this season makes us feel, and how there's a nip in the air, and smiles and greetings all around. This is what makes us a community and keeps our 'Jewel of the Desert' a de-

sirable place to be. This is what makes SVLA a magical place to live.

From my family to all of yours, we wish you a Merry Christmas, a Happy Hanukkah, a Joyous Kwanza, or whatever proper greeting is used to convey our deepest hopes for a meaningful time of year for all of you.

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Merry Christmas
&
Happy New Year
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ALFRED LOGAN, GENERAL MANAGER

Happy Holidays and a Successful New Year!

As we close out another wonderful year at Spring Valley Lake, I want to take a moment to wish each and every one of you a joyful holiday season and a prosperous, healthy, and fulfilling 2026. May this new year bring continued happiness, success, and cherished memories for you and your loved ones.

I would also like to extend my appreciation to our dedicated staff, volunteers, and the Yacht Club for your tremendous involvement in what was one of our largest and most memorable Christmas Tree Lighting events to date. It was truly special to see Santa and the Grinch spreading cheer, and to witness so many priceless smiles and moments of joy throughout the evening. The parade was an incredible success, with an outstanding turnout of residents showing their community pride and festive spirit. Events like these remind us how fortunate we are to be part of such an amazing community that we proudly call home.

Thank you to everyone who attended and helped make this year's celebration unforgettable. We continue to learn and improve from each event, and we sincerely appreciate those who shared feedback through our QR code survey. (And yes—we ran out of over 400

cookies, so we'll be sure to have even more next year!) Your input helps us enhance our events and continue building on our goal of making SVLA the most desirable place to live in the High Desert.

Looking ahead, we invite all **new residents** to join us for our **New Member Welcome Night** on **January 22, 2025**, at **6:00 p.m.** at **12975 Rolling Ridge Dr., Victorville, CA 92395**. If you're new to the community or haven't attended a welcome event yet, we encourage you to come meet the team, learn about SVLA, and ask any questions you may have.

Additionally, we will be hosting an "**Understanding SVLA's Accounting**" Zoom meeting and training in **January 2026** for residents who would like to learn more about our financial processes—how bills are processed, the policies in place to protect association funds, and how to review our financials with confidence. If you'd like to attend, please email info@svla.com. For suggestions on other topics you'd like to learn more about, feel free to contact me directly at Alogan@svla.com.

Thank you again for your continued support and engagement. Together, we make SVLA a thriving and welcoming community we can all be proud of.



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Volunteer of the Month

December 2025

Terry Fitch

Finance Committee Chair

Nominated by and written by Tiffany Tejas-Harvey
(November's Volunteer of the Month)



I am proud to nominate Terry Fitch as the Spring Valley Lake Volunteer of the Month. Terry is the true definition of dedication and community spirit. He gives his time, heart, and energy to serving others — whether it's supporting our veterans, empowering our youth, uplifting local businesses, or helping families throughout the entire High Desert.

His volunteer work spans across multiple organizations, including the SVLA Finance Committee, the Veterans Employment Committee, the High Desert Sports Foundation, the Greater High Desert Chamber of Commerce, and the High Desert Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.

Everywhere Terry goes, he adds value, positivity, and leadership.

Our community is genuinely stronger because of him, and we appreciate all he continues to do.

I also want to congratulate Terry on receiving the Lillian King Volunteer of the Year Award on December 3rd, 2025, — an incredible and well-earned accomplishment. Congratulations, Terry you are a true asset and greatly appreciated!

Thank you, Terry, for all you do.

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~ Nick Gonzalez, Director of Operations

Lake & Community Update

Floating Island Relocation

The Association would like to inform our community that the Board of Directors has approved the relocation of the floating islands to the Marina area. This move will allow staff to monitor the islands more efficiently, maintain them more safely, and ensure the vegetation remains healthy throughout the year.

Residents and visitors may notice that the islands are no longer in their previous locations around the lake. Their relocation is part of our ongoing efforts to improve environmental management and create more sustainable lake conditions. We appreciate everyone's patience and understanding as this transition continues.

Lake Planning and Water Quality Efforts

Our Operations Team is hard at work preparing for next year's carefully managed lake-lowering project. This is a major effort that requires detailed planning, and staff are currently completing a full lake-mapping process. This includes depth measurements and shoreline assessments that will guide the project once work begins. We anticipate having the full map finalized by the beginning of the new year.

Water quality continues to be a priority. On November 18, members of the Lake Commit-

tee met with representatives from Lahontan to review current concerns and discuss potential long-term solutions. This open dialogue helps ensure that we remain aligned with environmental regulations while exploring ways to steadily improve lake conditions.

Following this meeting, the Lake Committee developed a tentative plan to meet with the Bear Valley Country Club to discuss shared watershed goals. This collaboration is intended to strengthen water-quality efforts, improve stormwater practices, and establish long-term strategies that benefit the entire community.

Residents can expect regular updates as these important projects progress.

Trout Stocking Season Has Begun

We are happy to share that the winter fishing season is officially underway! On November 20, the lake received a fresh stocking of 1,000 pounds of trout from our trusted local supplier, Jess Ranch Hatchery. This annual tradition brings excitement to anglers of all ages and helps maintain a strong fish population through the winter.

Additional trout deliveries are scheduled throughout December, with another stocking planned for January. Exact delivery dates

and drop-off locations will be announced on the Association's social media pages, so be sure to check in for updates.

If you have any questions about

fishing guidelines, stocking schedules, or lake access, feel free to contact the Association office. We look forward to a fun and active fishing season—happy fishing!

First Trout Stocking of the Season



11/20/25 - 1,000lbs trout (Rainbow and Golden)

11/24/25 - 1,000lbs trout (Rainbow & Golden)

12/8/25 - 1,000lbs trout (Rainbow & Golden)

12/22/25 - 1,000lbs trout (Rainbow & Golden)

1/5/26 - 1,000lbs trout (Rainbow & Golden)

Drop offs will be spread amongst the fishing areas for all deliveries.

First delivery on 11/120 will be at the Marina.



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CODE ENFORCEMENT

Clint Summers, Director of Code Enforcement / Architectural

As the holiday season approaches, our community begins to sparkle with lights, decorations, and festive gatherings. This is one of the most enjoyable times of the year here in Spring Valley Lake, and we appreciate the effort everyone puts into making our neighborhood shine.

To help ensure that we maintain both safety and community standards, please take a moment to review a few important reminders about common violations and guidelines that tend to come up during the Christmas season:

First, we love to see creative displays, but please remember that decorations must be removed by 01/25/2026 and any remaining Halloween decorations should have been removed by 12/1/2025. If you have roof or high-elevation decorations they need to be installed safely—no unsecured extension cords or items that could blow off in wind. Holiday gatherings mean extra boxes, wrapping paper, and packaging. So please be cognizant of your neighbors when filling your trash cans so they do not overflow into the street. We understand families host visitors this time of year, but please remind guests not to block driveways, mailboxes, or fire

lanes. Please remind your guests not to park on grass, rocks, or other unimproved surfaces during their stay. RVs or trailers (including those used for light displays) are not permitted to remain parked in driveways or on the street overnight.

Wishing you all a safe, joyful, and peaceful holiday season. If you have any questions about seasonal guidelines, please contact the Code Enforcement Department.

In Memoriam: Karen Hillers

It is with deep sadness that we share the passing of Karen Hillers, a long-standing member of our Architectural Committee. Karen served our community with dedication, integrity, and a true passion for preserving the beauty of the Spring Valley Lake Association. Her thoughtful input, steady leadership at times, and warm spirit will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

On behalf of the HOA Board, staff, and residents, we extend our heartfelt condolences to Karen's family and friends. Her legacy will continue to be felt in every corner of our neighborhood and can be seen throughout the community.

10/24/25-11/20/25	Code Enforcement	Architectural
*Open Notices	323	103
*Closed Items	286	85

*Open notices are newly observed items resulting in a courtesy call or courtesy notice. Closed items are open violations that are closed due to being in compliance or the Board ruling on a citation.

LOOKING GOOD



NEW ARCHITECTURAL FEES

Please be advised that the NEW Architectural fees have gone into place effective 11/18/2025.

Any Architectural applications approved prior to 11/18/2025 will be under the **OLD FEE** schedule.

Any Architectural applications approved 11/18/2025 or later will be under the **NEW FEE** schedule.



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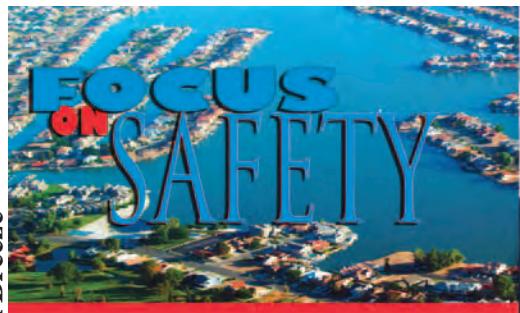
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CODY PARTRIDGE, INTERIM DIRECTOR, PUBLIC SAFETY



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- If the delivery company cannot meet your request, ask a trusted neighbor, friend, or family member to retrieve the package once it has been delivered to your doorstep.

If you have exhausted all other options and still require assistance, you may call the Public Safety Department at **760-245-**

6400. A Public Safety Officer can bring your package to the Community Building, where you may pick it up.

Please remember that this service is a last resort. The Public Safety Department has limited space and cannot hold packages for more than 24 hours. Additionally, if a package is too large or heavy to be moved safely, we may be unable to assist.

Packages will be released only to the owner, who must present a valid photo ID that matches the name on the package.

This is a special courtesy provided by SVLA during the holiday season only. SVLA will not be responsible for any damages that may occur.

Thank you and have a safe and joyful holiday season!

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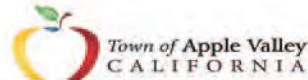


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BEAR VALLEY ROAD BRIDGE over the Mojave River Rehabilitation Project



What's Being **PLANNED**

The Town of Apple Valley, in partnership with Caltrans, is improving the Bear Valley Road Bridge over the Mojave River.

The project includes:

- Widening the bridge to six lanes with a center median
- Adding bike lanes, a protected sidewalk (south side), and a protected multi-use path (north side)
- Improving roadways from Mojave Fish Hatchery Road to Jess Ranch Parkway

Other upgrades:

- Relocating Southern California Edison power lines
- Replacing a water line across the river
- Installing a drainage pipe on Outer Bear Valley Road
- Building a water-quality basin northwest of the bridge
- Adding southbound turn lanes at Bear Valley Road and Fish Hatchery Road

The bridge is located in Apple Valley, with the west approach in Hesperia and Victorville.

What to **EXPECT** During Construction

Residents and travelers may experience:

- Temporary lane closures and traffic shifts
- Utility shutoffs (announced by utility companies)
- Noise, dust, and construction activity during weekdays
- Occasional night work to reduce daytime impacts
- Pedestrian and vehicle detours as needed

Estimated **SCHEDULE**

- Construction begins: December 2025
- Water line replacement: February–March 2026
- Traffic shift south: Spring 2026
- Stormwater pipeline installation: Summer 2026
- Power line relocation and power shutdown: October 2026
- Traffic shift north: Spring 2027
- All lanes open: Spring 2028

Dates are estimates and may change once the contractor finalizes the schedule.

Estimated **COST & FUNDING**

Total estimated cost: \$53.5 million
(Funding includes construction, management, and engineering)

Funding sources:

- Federal Grants (Highway Bridge Program, Carbon Reduction Program): \$43.4 million
- San Bernardino County Flood Control (A.R.P.A.): \$540,000
- San Bernardino County Transportation Authority: \$3.8 million
- Active Transportation Program: \$232,000
- Town of Apple Valley and Cities of Victorville & Hesperia: \$4.8 million

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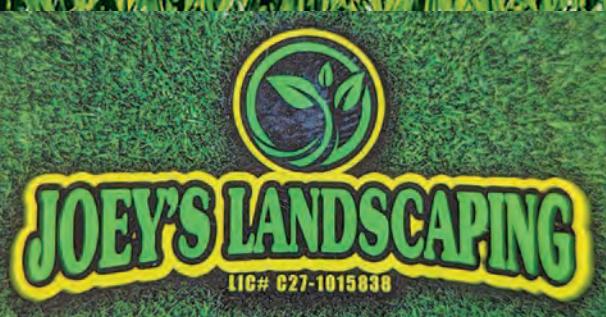
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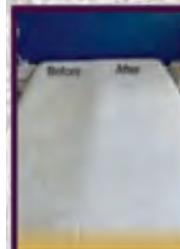
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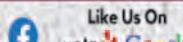
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Hey Ho from the EQ

Happy Holidays to all from the EQ. If you haven't driven through the EQ during December, you may want to check out all the colorful lighting festooning our streets. The holiday spirit is evident everywhere you look!

As 2025 winds down, we are looking forward to designing and sending out the dog park survey. By February, the survey should appear in the Breeze. Our first step is to gather information about whether the SVL/EQ community values the idea of a dog park and the most beneficial park site. Playfair Park and Long Acres Park both have excellent space and parking. Large trees enhance the beauty while providing well appreciated shade.

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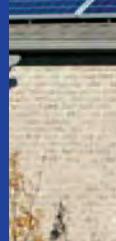
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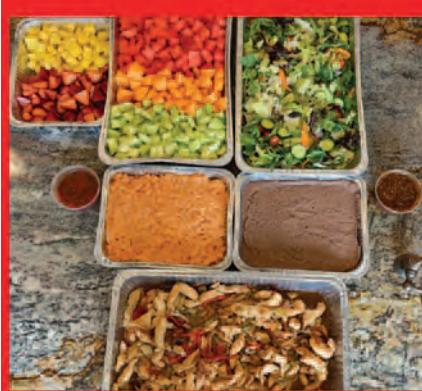
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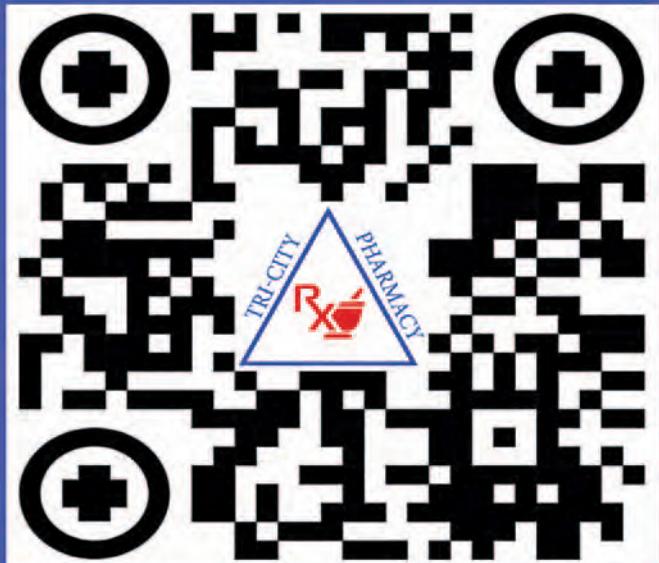


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SVL Mamas CLUB

~ Dominique
SVL Mamas Club Member



Hey beautiful mamas!

As we enter the end of 2025, I want to share a powerful quote that hopefully brings you strength, motivation, and peace. “DE-cember is a time to DE-clutter your home, DE-tox your schedule, DE-stress your mind, and DE-cide to DE-dicate your precious time on Earth to what truly matters to YOU”. As moms, we wear so many hats—chef, chauffeur, appointment keeper, maid, human dishwasher, and so much more. My hope is that each of you find a few quiet moments this month to rest, breathe, and reflect on your own awesomeness and personal goals.

Speaking of reflecting, the last six months have been such a joy. Our club originated in May, and since then it has grown day by day, post by post, and—most importantly—mom by mom. Last month’s Moms-Giving Potluck was a reminder of what this group has become: a warm, genuine community and support system. We shared

delicious recipes, heartfelt conversations, and sweet gratitude-filled toasts for one another.

This month’s Christmas Craft Night & Book Exchange was just as special, with 11 moms and 18 little ones—from 5 months to 12 years old—coming together for creativity, and holiday fun.

As I have stated before, our club consists of women from various stages of motherhood which makes it welcoming and helpful for members to truly connect or even learn from each other. So whether you are an expectant, new, step/bonus, or GRANDmama, you bring something meaningful to our circle. Women planning to conceive in the near future are welcome and encouraged to join our club as well - nothing like realistic insight from moms rather than from Google! Of course, motherly figures are welcome too—your wisdom is valued here. We’d love to see you at our monthly meetings every **first Monday at 5pm** in the Community Building.

As always remember you can stay connected with our mama-community on Instagram @svl_mamasclub or in our private Facebook group SVL Mamas Club.

SVL MAMAS CLUB
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Cheers to new mama-friendships and awesome club goals for 2026!
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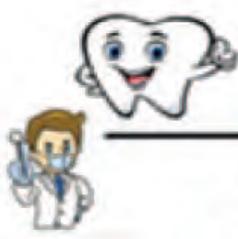
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- BOD Open Session - December 16, 2025, 6pm - MLH

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Citation Committee	Michael Weis	1st Tues.	5:00pm PVR
Community Event Committee	Kathleen Hardy	1st Tues.	5:00pm MLH
Communications Committee	Cheri Boyd	1st Tues.	6:30pm MLH
Community Plan Committee	TBD	TBD	TBD
Equestrian Estates Committee	Marcia Rhodes	3rd Tuesday	6pm EEC1
Finance Committee	Terry Fitch	1st Tues.	6:30pm PVR
Lake Committee - via ZOOM	Ruth Brock	2nd Wednesday	6:30pm

SVL Clubs

CLUBS	FACILITATOR+ CONTACT
Amateur Radio Club - 3rd Sat, 12pm EQ1	Doug Iverson N6DJI 909-578-1367 KK6SVL@gmail.com
Bible Study - 1st & 3rd Sun, 12pm / 1st & 3rd TH, 7pm EQ1	Leonor Frazier 760-662-9547
BUNCO, 2nd M @ 5:30pm MLH	Sandy Harmon 661-510-4543
Yacht Club - 3rd TH, 6-8pm MLH	David Stolfs 760-985-9223

SVL Recreational Classes

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Lake UPDATES

The Lake Committee recently received questions regarding our Coving Repair Project Plan which we introduced to the community back in November of last year. It became obvious to us that there was much incorrect information circulating and we felt perhaps it was time to begin communicating more about our plan, even though back in April the Board had pushed this project out to late in 2027-2028.

A very wise individual recently reminded us that *if you don't tell your story---someone else will...*

And this is what has happened. Well-meaning residents, those who have volunteered countless hours in this community, misunderstood not only where this project was in it's forward progress, but also how this project would be executed and funded.

So, let's break this down a bit for everyone to better understand all of this.

1) What our project is: Our Coving Repair Project Plan is responsive to a prior SVLA Board directive to create and implement an ongoing shoreline repair maintenance plan. This Board directive was required by a 1997 Court decision where the Spring Valley Lake Association was found to be responsible for a homeowner's property damage due to shoreline degradation.

Our Coving Repair Project plan will center around using an alternative concrete forming product called a Geocell Grid. This geo-synthetic

fabric grid was developed by the US Army Corps of Engineers back in the early 1980s and has been used for everything from building roads to slope stabilization to hard armoring of water channels.

The Geocell Grid provides a much faster method of concrete forming than traditional wood and rebar and will allow work to proceed at a much-accelerated pace, saving time and labor costs.

The grid creates a flexible hard armoring and will keep concrete sections intact. The addition of footings at the base of each coving, as recommended in the 2023 Genterra Consultants Report, will further prevent undermining, erosion and slippage. With the coving being underwater and exposed to the constant wave and wake energy, this is crucial.

There are at least 3 companies that manufacture this grid product and we have spoken with in-house engineers at all three. They all agreed that this would be an excellent way to accomplish our coving repair and that concrete work using this Geocell Grid would hold up for years and years to come.

2) Where we're at now: Back on April 22nd our Board made a decision to push this coving repair plan to late 2027-2028. Because that now put us 2 1/2 years out, we took a step back from pursuing a Request For Proposal (RFP) which would include contractor bid solicitation, vetting and selection. The late 2027-2028 commencement signaled to our committee that we should push "pause" until next year (2026) and then restart that RFP process. The Board had also decided that there would be a lake lowering in 2026, but only to further assess the condition of the shoreline.

While we believe the 2023 Genterra Consultants shoreline survey and report had already well documented this damage, we respect the Board's decision to proceed slowly.

3) Where we're heading next: Although we have previously consulted with several engineers, our next steps are to consult with another engineer to more formally confirm the use of the Geocell Grid as a structurally superior, time and cost-effective method to achieve our long-term coving repair goals. We have been told that repairs utilizing this Geocell grid and concrete with a high 3600 psi (pounds per square inch) concrete mix could last 100 years or more.

We will also start preparing for the Request for Proposal process and will invite contractors to view our lake coving damage when the water level is lowered in late 2026.

During this initial lowering, we proposed to the Board that perhaps we could do a large portion of our lots on the main lake, working within a budget which was \$1.2M and roughly 25% of our overall project estimate. This is a Reserve Item and there is approximately \$2M now in Reserves. But the Board was not comfortable with this amount for what they see as a "test method" of repair. We are willing to scale that budget request back to a number they are more apt to agree to. Our mission is to now put their minds at ease with the additional information they require to get to a "yes" on this repair method and at whatever scale.

4) What we will not be pursuing: It is not our desire to fund these repairs in any manner that would result in an increase of HOA dues, a one-time special assessment, nor an assessment over time. While it is

physically possible to do the entire shoreline repair in one lake lowering, we do realize it may not be *financially* possible. So, we can segment this project and spread it out over time if necessary. This sounds good right? We think so!

5) What we will be pursuing: It is our intent to hold a Town Hall dedicated to re-introducing our project to our community as well as providing an opportunity for any questions you may have. We are hoping to have an engineer participate remotely to engage with our residents as well. This will likely take place very early next year; and we will provide ample notice to get maximum attendance and participation.

In closing, we apologize for "pausing" this project without providing an explanation as to why we had paused. This void left a vacuum which allowed much incorrect information to circulate throughout our community, and I think we can take some ownership of that.

Spring Valley Lake is a wonderful place to call home, and we all enjoy the benefits of living in a community that is homeowner governed and served by a constant flow of volunteers who step up to make a positive difference in all that SVL has to offer. We've all heard the term before, "*We're better together*". We, on the Lake Committee, believe it's true. Please plan on being a part of our efforts moving forward, as we put the next pieces of the plan in place for our Coving Repair Project.

We'll stay in touch via the SVLA BREEZE with updates and on our Town Hall when a date is set.

Thank you,
Your Lake Committee

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