

Santa Clara Valley Water District – Additional Sandbag Information

Where to Return Sandbags after Rain Season:

When the rainy season is over The Santa Clara Valley Water District recommends that residents and business owners keep sandbags on hand at least through mid-April since significant amounts of rain can visit the valley during late-winter and early-spring storms. Once the threat of flooding is over, however, there are several ways to dispose of sandbags.

Bags provided by the water district are filled with clean, washed sand that can be added to gardens as a soil amendment. Sandbags can also be returned to the sites where the bags were obtained by May 15. The water district asks residents to place used sandbags atop pallets for ease of removal. Sandbags should not be tossed into garbage receptacles because they take up valuable space in landfills.

If you have questions about sandbag disposal, call (408) 265-2607 ext. 3852, during business hours. After hours, please leave a message at (408) 265-2607, ext. 3850.

We now have a "how to" video about the proper use of sandbags for homeowners. The video can be checked out for a \$10 deposit, either in person or by mail. Contact Imelda Suarez at (408) 265-2607 ext. 2200 to make the arrangements.