

Position Statement of the Richmond Water Resources Department

Purpose and Priorities of a Water Dept

1. Protect Public Health and the Environment
2. Obey State and Federal Law
3. Abide by and enforce the ordinances and directions of the Water & Sewer Board/Commission
4. Provide the best possible customer service

Purpose and Nature of the Superintendent

1. Uphold the priorities of the Water Department
2. Act as the professional caretaker of the Water District
3. Be the active authority and decision maker on behalf of the Water and Sewer Board/Commission

Notes

- Powers, within the bounds of the Water District and the Water Dept, should be considered broad and general, unless restricted by the Water and Sewer Board/Commission
- I.E., Authority is *not* limited to what has been explicitly given by the Town to the Superintendent.
- Flexibility in the use or discretion of authority is vital to the smooth, adaptable, and strong function of a small Water Dept
- A Superintendent is subject to the *general* control and direction of the Water and Sewer Board/Commission; and has control, supervision, and authority, over the Water District