

WEVD ADA POLICY

This ADA Policy is prepared based on giving priority to providing accessibility for members of the Community who may be disabled. It is written to provide a path for the WEVD to come into compliance with the 2010 ADA Standards as updated in the June 2015 “A primer for State and Local Governments” published by the DOJ. Only secondarily, will improvements be made to Village District’s facilities simply to be Compliant with ADA Regulations. Removal of barriers to access Member Programs will be given 1st priority and will be funded for completion in the Long Term ADA Compliance Plan first. If or when a member’s need for accommodation or access because of a disability is presented to the Commission or the Management it will be given priority over planned compliance items that may already be scheduled in the Long Term ADA Plan.

A plan for long term compliance with ADA Regulations Title II of ADA, 28CFR Part 35 under which the WEVD Facilities fall, will be developed following a self-assessment. This assessment will be completed with the assistance of an ADA experienced Architect / Engineering Expert. Upon review of the assessment a Citizen ADA Advisor will be appointed by the VD Commission to assist in the preparation and monitoring of the Long Term ADA Compliance Plan. The Plan will be developed in coordination with the WE Long Term Planning Committee to insure its financial feasibility. The Plan will be presented to both the Commission and the Board of Directors for implementation. The Plan will be reviewed on an annual basis by the Long Term Planning Committee along with the Citizen ADA Advisor to insure that the identified and changing needs of its disabled Community members are scheduled for solution.

The initial professionally prepared Self-Assessment will form the basis for the Long Term ADA Compliance Plan. Upon its completion the Self-Assessment will be annotated with the intended Management response and appended to this Policy. From this review of the Assessment the First Long Term ADA Compliance Plan will be developed to include a list of all actions and projects necessary long term to make WEVD and its facilities ADA Compliant.