

**17-18 FEBRUARY 2022 BOARD MEETING  
DISCUSSION AGENDA ITEM**

**AGENDA ITEM: 6**

**SUBJECT:**

CONSIDERATION OF THE PROPOSED BOARD WORK GROUP ASSIGNMENTS

**BOARD ACTION:**

Discuss proposed Work Group Assignments

**BACKGROUND:**

**1) Executive Work Group (composed of the Chair and Vice-Chair):**

This group would help guide the Regional Board's Executive Team when they are deliberating on policy issues between meetings. This Work Group would be composed of the sitting Board Chair and Vice Chair. Issues to be addressed by the Executive Work Group would include:

- Assessing progress in meeting the Board's Strategic Plan Objectives
- Continuous assessment of the Portfolio Management Process
- Engagement with the Executive Officer and Lead Prosecutor on Enforcement Prioritization
- Evaluating content in the EO Report
- Board Meeting Planning
- Development of the Racial Equity Resolution
- Issue-Specific Engagement

While this is a new Work Group, the issues to be addressed by this Work Group are largely issues that the Board Chair and Vice Chair have already been tackling.

**2) Basin Assessment Work Group:**

Issues to be addressed by the Basin Assessment Work Group would include:

- Triennial Review
- The Harmful Algal Bloom Program

- The Delta Program
- Tribal Beneficial Uses
- Total Maximum Daily Loads (including Mercury)

This would be a new Work Group, consolidating some of the work of the Mercury Issues Work Group and would address numerous matters affecting disadvantaged communities and tribes in our region.

### **3) Agricultural Work Group:**

One of the Board's largest programs, the Irrigated Lands Program is at the cutting edge of numerous water quality issues, including SGMA implementation and our own CV-SALTS Program. The Agricultural Program interfaces with disadvantaged communities, growers of all sizes throughout the region, and numerous other state and federal agencies, including CDFA, USGS, DPR and USDA.

Current Work Group Members: Nick Avdis, Sean Yang

### **4) Forest Management/Wildfire Work Group:**

A large part of our region is covered by forested lands, and an even larger part of the region is vulnerable to wildfire. Programs in this area are rapidly evolving, and it would be useful to have Board members that had more in-depth knowledge about not only what the Board is doing in this area, but also what other agencies/departments (CalFire, CNRA, USFS, BLM, DWR, etc.) are working on.

Current Work Group Members: Mark Bradford

### **5) CV-SALTS/Drinking Water Program/SB 1215 Wastewater Consolidation:**

Early Action Plans established by the CV-SALTS' Nitrate Control Program are a special area of focus for environmental justice communities. There is a need for continued executive coordination with State Water Board staff and leadership, representatives from environmental justice communities, and other stakeholders to help guide these programs.

This is a new Work Group that would re-focus the work of the CV-SALTS Work Group and would take over some of the work of the Disadvantaged Communities Work Group.

**6) Litigation and Petitions Work Group:**

There are occasional needs for Board members to be delegated the responsibility to work with the Board’s management team on ongoing litigation, including petitions pending before the State Water Board.

This is a new Work Group.

**ISSUES:**

No known outstanding issues.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Discussion Only

**REVIEWS:**

Management Review:	
Legal Review:	JMJ

**BOARD MEETING LOCATION:**

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board  
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***Internet Zoom Meeting***