

## EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION AWARD

SEPTEMBER 2023

**EMPLOYEES:** Jordan Robbins, Robin Merod, and Lauren Leles

**UNIT:** Mercury and Basin Planning Unit

**LOCATION:** Rancho Cordova Office

**TITLE:** Environmental Scientist, Water Resources Control Engineer, and Senior Environmental Scientist (Supervisory), respectively

**SUPERVISOR/TITLE:** Meredith Howard (Environmental Program Manager I)

Jordan Robbins, Robin Merod, and Lauren Leles are highly valued members of the Planning Section and they are being recognized for their efforts to complete the Delta Mercury Control Program Phase 1 Review of the Methylmercury TMDL.

The Delta Mercury Control Program and associated Methylmercury TMDL was adopted to reduce methylmercury and inorganic mercury in the Delta in April 2010. The Delta Mercury Control Program is a very complex program involving many moving parts that require a keen attention to detail.

Jordan, Robin, and Lauren comprise the hard-working team of mercury staff that have diligently overseen the complex elements of the Delta Mercury Control Program. Their work includes analyzing new mercury data, revising water quality objectives and implementation goals, reviewing control studies submitted by the dischargers, and managing other permitting questions and issues that arise. Their critical thinking combined with organizational skills and persistence have been critical to complete the reconsideration of the Control Program and TMDL.

We are fortunate to have Jordan, Robin, and Lauren working at the Central Valley Water Board and they are well deserving of this award.