

# CV SALTS - Standing Rules for Committees and CV Salinity Coalition

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## CV-SALTS Salinity Leadership Group (formerly Salinity Policy Group)

### Purpose

The Salinity Leadership group, was created to provide a high level of leadership to set the overarching vision for the broad multiyear effort to accomplish salinity and nutrient management in the Central Valley. The group brings broad and diverse representation to oversight of the efforts.

This group will meet approximately once per year to provide broad direction and support for the overall mission. The mission of the Central Valley Salinity Leadership Group is to work closely, in a collaborative manner to create a comprehensive Central Valley Salinity Management Plan.

### Membership

The Salinity Leadership Group shall be made up of one principal member from each organization that is significantly concerned with water supply and quality in the Central Valley. Member representation is solicited from the following categories:

- State Agencies
- Federal Agencies
- Local Government
- Water and Irrigation Districts
- Industry
- Public Interest and Academic
- Out of Region Groups
- Associations

Non-voting alternates may be included to ensure participation provided that only one representative votes on any issue. Members may be added by the Executive Committee as they are identified and ratified by the Group at its next meeting. Attachment A shows the current membership of the Salinity Leadership. Membership is expected to change from meeting to meeting due to changes in organization leaders and other circumstances. The Leadership Group may appoint up to 6 members of the Executive Committee. Leadership Group Co-Chairs are appointed one from the State Water Resources Control Board and one from the Regional Water Quality Control Board. The Terms of office for the Co-chairs and appointed Executive Committee members shall be two (2) years. Successors may serve the remaining portion of a term and be eligible for appointment to another term.

## Executive Committee

### Purpose

The Salinity Leadership Group established an Executive Committee that shall oversee the activities of the other committees in coordination with the Central Valley Salinity Coalition to achieve the mission of

the group. This committee is the primary governance committee for the CV-SALTS initiative and functions in close coordination with the Central Valley Salinity Coalition.

**Membership** The Executive Committee shall be composed of the following:

- One Co-chair of the Salinity Leadership Group
- Six appointees of the Salinity Leadership Group who shall represent the following:
  - The State Water Resources Control Board
  - The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board
  - The Department of Water Resources (or another State agency)
  - The Bureau of Reclamation (or other federal agency)
  - A representative from the environmental community, with a focus on environmental justice or aquatic ecosystems
  - A member representing environmental water quality or public policy groups.
- The Co-chairs of all Standing Committees, up to a total of 6 members.
- Board Members of the Central Valley Salinity Coalition, up to a total of 18.

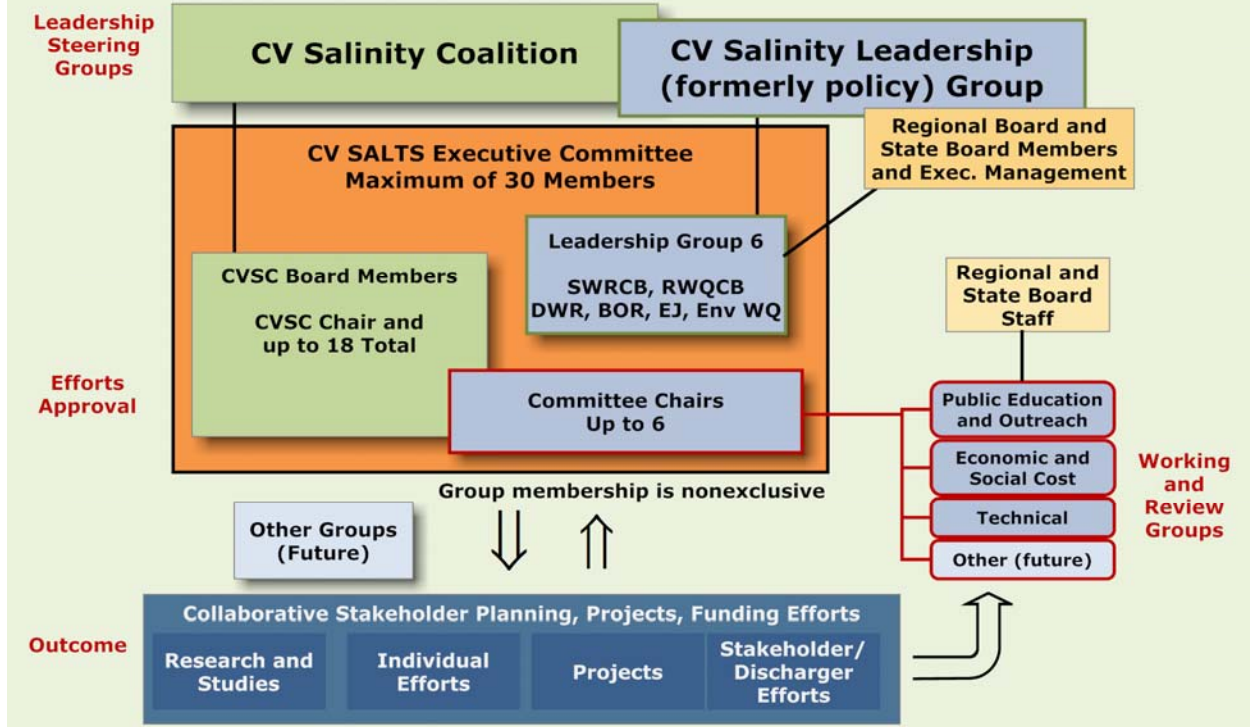
The total number of members of the Executive Committee is limited to 30. Nominations to the committee shall be approved by vote of the committee.

Within these limitations and to the extent practical, the Executive Committee should be constituted so as to reflect the diversity of public agency, industry, business, hydrologic basins, water users and dischargers, as well State, federal and environmental and public policy groups. These memberships will not be exclusive; a member of the Leadership Group may also be a member of the Salinity Coalition Board of Directors or Chair of another Committee, and may represent more than one industry, area or agency. The membership and Co-chairs shall be documented in a manner similar to the format shown in Attachment B.

A Graphic showing the Executive Committee and other Committees with the Salinity Leadership Group is shown below:

# CV Salinity Coalition and CV SALTS Initiative

## Ensuring Sustainable High Quality Water Supply For All users of Central Valley Waters



### Powers and Reporting

The Executive Committee shall act as the ongoing governing board of the CV SALTS Initiative and shall assume such other responsibilities required to accomplish the mission, delegated to it by the Salinity Leadership Group or requested by the Central Valley Salinity Coalition. The Chair of the Executive Committee or any person designated by the Chair, shall report to the Salinity Leadership Group, at each regular meeting of the Salinity Leadership Group. Actions of the Executive Committee shall be by majority of the members in attendance voting in favor of a proposed action. Any action lacking majority approval may be referred to one or more committees for additional review and recommendations.

### Term of Office

The term of office of persons appointed to the Executive Committee shall be two (2) years and shall commence on January 1 or the first meeting of the calendar year of the year appointed and shall terminate on December 31 two (2) years later. Modifications to these standing rules may be made by a majority vote of the Executive Committee following 30 days notice to all the members.

### Meetings

Meetings of the Executive Committee shall be held as needed, at such time and place as determined by the Chair as necessary to accomplish work needed by the Salinity Leadership Group, the standing committees and the Central Valley Salinity Coalition. Special meetings of the Executive Committee may

be called by the Chair or upon request of three members of the executive committee with as much notice to members provided as possible.

### **Minutes**

The minutes of the Executive Committee meetings shall be kept by the Vice-chair or other member designated by the Chair. Actions of the Executive Committee shall be reported to the Salinity Leadership Group by the Chair.

## **Standing Committees**

### **Public Education and Stakeholder Outreach Committee**

The Committee shall develop and make recommendations to the Executive Committee regarding internal and external communications to promote understanding of the need for and importance of salinity management in the Central Valley, and the need for and type of long term sustainable solutions to salinity issues in the region. The mission of the Public Education and Outreach Committee is to obtain broad-based public participation in the creation and implementation of a comprehensive Central Valley Salinity Management Plan. The committee shall consist of no more than 40 individuals.

### **Social and Economic Impact Committee**

The Committee shall study and recommend projects, policies and programs to the Executive Committee. The mission of the Social and Economic Impact Committee is to provide guidance and direction for the on-going assessment of the social and economic impacts of salinity on the Central Valley and the State of California as an essential component in the development of a comprehensive Central Valley Salinity Management Plan. The committee shall consist of no more than 40 individuals.

### **Technical Committee**

The Committee shall be plan, program and oversee technical studies and data gathering related to the development of the Salinity Management Basin Plan amendment and related activities. The mission of the Technical Advisory Committee is to provide guidance and direction for the ongoing compilation and management of data needed to develop a comprehensive Central Valley Salinity Management Plan. The committee shall consist of no more than 60 individuals.

### **Finance Committee**

The Committee shall make recommendations to the Executive Committee regarding funding the development of planning and implementation of the Salinity Management Plan. This committee will include the Chair and Vice-chair of the Executive Committee or designee, at least one member of the Salinity Coalition Board of Directors and at least one member of each of the other active standing committees, a Co-chair or designee. If at any time the Finance Committee is not active the duties of this committee will be the responsibility of the Executive Committee.

### **Public Policy Committee**

The Committee shall make recommendations to the Executive Committee regarding policy, legal and legislative affairs and changes needed to achieve the mission of the Salinity Leadership Group. The committee shall consist of the Executive Committee Chair or designee, one member from the Salinity Coalition Board of Directors and a Co-chair from each active standing committee. If at any time the

Public Policy Committee is not active the duties of this committee will be the responsibility of the Executive Committee.

### **Standing Committee Appointments**

The Chair of the Executive Committee shall appoint all committee members for the executive committee and the Co-chairs of all committees, after receiving nominations from the committee and the Salinity Leadership Group. The committee Co-chairs, if not nominated by the committees, shall be ratified by the committees. The standing committees can be combined or discontinued activities at the direction or approval of the Executive Committee. The membership and Co-chairs shall be documented in a manner similar to the format shown in Attachment C.

### **Nominating Committee**

There may be constituted a nominating committee consisting of three (3) or more members of the Executive Committee appointed by the Chair. The nominating committee shall provide to the Chair the slate of Co-chairs of each committee in nomination. Additional nominations for Co-chairs of standing committees may be made by any Executive Committee member.

### **Term of Office**

The term of office of standing committee co-chairs shall commence on January 1 of the year following their appointment by the Executive Committee Chair and ratification by the committee and shall terminate on December 31 two (2) years later. One Co-chair should be appointed in the even years where possible and other Co-chair in the odd years to maintain committee continuity.

### **Sub-committees and Task Forces**

Other sub-committees and task forces may be appointed by the Co-chairs of any committee from time to time as need shall dictate, consistent with and supportive of the mission the appointing committee.

### **Meetings**

Meetings of standing committees, as well as all other appointed committees, may be called at such times and places designated by the respective Co-chairs thereof and coordinated for participation with the Executive Committee or designee.

### **Minutes**

The minutes of the Standing Committees' meetings shall be kept by of the Co-chairs or other member designated by the acting Chair of the committee. Actions of the Standing Committees shall be reported to the Executive Committee at its next meeting. Actions of the Standing Committees taken with regard to contractor or other committee work product or which relate to funding or fiduciary responsibilities shall be presented to the Executive Committee for action by the Executive Committee.

### **Committee Coordination and Review**

Any standing committee may request assistance from any other standing committee provided the Executive Committee is informed and does not object to the request. This assistance may be in the form of review of a work product or issue, investigation of an area of expertise, or participation in joint committee efforts. The Executive Committee shall agendaize any request and act on the request at the next available meeting opportunity.

## Attachment A

<b>Central Valley Salinity Leadership Group Member List</b>		
<b>Group</b>	<b>Organization, Social or Economic Sector and Representative</b>	
<b>State Agencies</b>	<b>Department of Health Services</b> Rufus Howell, Office of Drinking Water	
	<b>Dept. of Water Resources</b> Lester Snow, Director Mark Cowin, Deputy Director Alternate	
	<b>Department of Water Resources San Joaquin District</b> Paula Landis, Chief of the San Joaquin District	
	<b>Department of Fish &amp; Game</b> Bill Loudermilk, Regional Manager Andy Gordus, Staff, San Joaquin Valley – Southern Sierra Region Alternate	
	<b>Department of Food &amp; Agriculture</b> A.G. Kawamura, Secretary Will Brown, Undersecretary Alternate	
	<b>State Water Resources Control Board</b> Tam Dudoc, Member	
	<b>Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board</b> Dan Odenweller, Member	
	<b>Cal/EPA</b> Linda Adams, Agency Secretary	
	<b>Resources Agency</b> Mike Chrisman, Secretary	
	<b>CALFED Bay Delta Authority</b> Joe Grindstaff, Executive Director Leo Winternitz, Alternate	
<b>Federal Agencies</b>	<b>Bureau of Reclamation</b> Pablo Arroyave Assistant Regional Director? Lee Mao, Alternate	
	<b>U.S. Dept. of Agriculture — Natural Resources Conservation Service</b> Ed Burton, State Conservationist Luana Kiger, Special Assistant	
	<b>U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9</b> Karen Schwinn, Associate Director, Water Division	
	<b>U.S. Fish &amp; Wildlife Service</b> Ken McDermond, Regional Director California/Nevada Operations Office Kathy Wood Alternate	
	<b>U.S. Geological Survey</b> Charlie Kratzer, San Joaquin-Tulare Basins SANJ- NAWQA Project Chief	
	<b>Local Government</b>	<b>City of Corning</b> John Brewer, Director of Public Works jbrewer@corning.org

	<b>City of Fresno</b> Steve Hogg, Public Utilities Assistant Director Rosa Lau-Staggs, Chief, Wastewater Environmental Services (alternate)
	<b>City of Tracy</b> Steve Bayley , Deputy Public Works Director
	<b>City of Visalia</b> Andrew Benelli, Public Works Director
	<b>Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District</b> Linda Dorn
	<b>Fresno County</b> Phil Larson, Supervisor
	<b>Kern County</b> Ray Watson, Supervisor
<b>Water Districts &amp; Similar Organizations</b>	<b>Contra Costa Water District</b> Leah Orloff
	<b>Glenn Colusa Water Dist</b> Thad Bettner, General Manager
	<b>Kern County WaterAgency</b> Jim Beck, General Manager
	<b>Kern County WaterAgency</b> Lloyd Fryer, Principal Water Resources Planner
	<b>San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors</b> Steve Chedester, Executive Director
	<b>San Luis &amp; Delta-Mendota Water Authority</b> Dan Nelson, Executive Director
	<b>South Delta Water Agency</b> Alex Hildebrand, Board Member
	<b>South Delta Water Agency</b> John Herrick, Manager and Counsel
<b>Water Associations</b>	<b>California Association of Sanitation Agencies</b> Bobbi Larson, Director, Legal & Regulatory Affairs
	<b>California Urban Water Agency</b> Elaine Archibald, Executive Director
	<b>Northern Calif. Water Association</b> Todd Manley, Director of Government Relations
	<b>San Joaquin River Group Authority</b> Dennis Westcot, Project Administrator
	<b>California Urban Water Conservation Council</b> Chris Brown, Executive Director
	<b>State Water Contractors</b> Terry Erlewine, General Manager
	<b>Friant Water Users Authority</b> Ronald Jacobsma, General Manager
	<b>Friant Water Users Authority</b> Mario Santoyo, Assst. Gen. Manager

	<b>Sacramento Water Forum?</b> Tom Gohring Executive
<b>Environmental and Env. Justice/Habitat</b>	<b>California Sportfishing Protection Alliance</b> Bill Jennings, Executive Director
	<b>Delta Keeper</b> Carrie McNeil Program Manager (Baykeeper)
	<b>The Bay Institute</b> Gary Bobker, Program Director
	<b>National Wildlife Federation</b> Jerry Meral, Region 12 Director
	<b>Sustainable Conservation</b> Ashley Boren, Executive Director Allen Dusault, Program Director Alternate
	<b>Yosemite Association</b> David Guy CEO
	<b>Community Water Center</b> Laurel Firestone
	<b>NRDC</b> Hal Candee, Senior Counsel
	<b>Planning and Conservation League</b> Traci Sheehan Executive Director Jonas Minton Water Policy Advisor
	<b>California Rural Legal Affairs</b> Martha Guzman
<b>Industry</b>	<b>Dairy Community Alliance for Responsible Environmental Stewardship</b> Michael Boccadoro, Dairy CARES Representative
	<b>Western United Dairymen</b> Michael Marsh, Chief Executive Officer
	<b>Western United Dairymen</b> Paul Martin, Environmental Specialist
	<b>California League of Food Processors</b> Rob Neenan, Director of Regulatory Affairs
	<b>Independent Oil Producers Agency</b> Les Clark, Executive Vice-President
	<b>Wine Institute</b> Tim Schmelzer
	<b>Kennedy/Jenks Consultants</b> Gary M. Carlton, P.E.
	<b>State Chamber of Commerce</b> Marc Burgat, Vice President, Government Relations
	<b>Pacific Water Quality Association</b> Michael T. Mecca President
	<b>Fresno County Chamber</b> Al Smith, President and CEO
	<b>Agricultural Council of California</b> Don Gordon, President



<b>Public Interest Groups &amp; Academics</b>	<b>California State University – Fresno</b> Dr. David Zoldoske, Director
	<b>California Water Institute Fresno State</b> Karl Longley
	<b>College of Agricultural &amp; Environmental Science</b> Steve Kafka, University of California, Davis
	<b>University of California, Merced</b> Dr. Jeff Wright, Dean, School of Engineering
	<b>University of Pacific</b> Will Stringfellow, Director, Environmental Engineering Research Program
	<b>Great Valley Center</b> David Hosley President
	<b>California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley</b> Sage Green (California Water Institute)
	<b>Water Education Foundation</b> Rita Sudman
	<b>California Farm Bureau</b> Tony Francois, Director of Water Resources Danny Merkeley Alternate
<b>Out of Region Organizations</b>	<b>Metropolitan Water District</b> Pete Silva Kathy Cole
	<b>UC Center for Water Resources</b> Dr. Laosheng Wu, Interim Director
	<b>UC Center for Water Resources</b> Dr. Kurt Schwabe, Professor of Environmental and Natural Resource Economics
	<b>Water Quality Control Board, Region 2</b> John Muller, Chair Bruce Wolfe, Executive Officer, Alternate
	<b>Water Quality Control Board, Region 8</b> _____, Chair Gerald Thibeault, Executive Officer, Alternate

## Attachment B

<b>Executive Committee Membership</b>	
<b>Nomination Category</b>	<b>Name and Organization</b>
<b>Salinity Leadership</b>	Pamela Creedon, Regional Water Quality Control Board
2	Karl Longley, Co-Chair of Leadership Group
3	Tam Doduc, State Water Resources Control Board
4	Jose Faria or _____ Department of Water Resources
5	Lisa Holm? Or _____ US Bureau of Reclamation
6	_____ Environmental, Water Quality or EJ representative
<b>Committee Co-chairs</b>	Mona Shulman, Chair Executive Committee
2	Linda Dorn, Vice Chair Executive Committee
3	Dave Melilli, Public Education and Outreach Committee
4	Rosa Lao-Skaggs, Public Education and Outreach Committee
5	Nigel Quinn, Technical Advisory Committee
6	Rob, Neenan, Economic and Social Cost Committee
<b>CV Salinity Coalition</b>	Bobbi Larson, CASA
2	Debbie Webster, CVCWA
3	Dave Cory, San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Water Authority
4	Steve Hogg, City of Fresno
5	Rob Neenan, California League of Food Processors
6	_____, Wine Institute
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## Attachment C

<b>Committee Membership</b>	
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