

EFFECTIVESS MONITORING COMMITTEE Membership Roster

MEMBER	SEAT TYPE	SPECIALTY	AFFILIATION	TERM EXP.
CO-CHAIRS				
OPEN SEAT	Co-Chair (EMC Members)	<i>OPEN SEAT</i>	<i>OPEN SEAT</i>	<i>OPEN SEAT</i>
Ryan Hilburn	Co-Chair (Board)	Forestry & Forest Operations	Board of Forestry and Fire Protection	05/14/2029
MONITORING COMMUNITY				
Michael Jones, Ph.D. RPF #3241	Academic	Forest Health and Disturbance Ecology	Forest Advisor Mendocino, Lake, and Sonoma Counties University of California Cooperative Extension	08/17/2026
Mathew Nannizzi	Public	Aquatic Biology	Green Diamond Resource Company	11/02/2026
Sal Chinnici	Public	Wildlife	Humboldt and Mendocino Redwood Companies	07/24/2028
Matt O'Connor, Ph.D.	Public	Geology and Geomorphology	Public, O'Connor Environmental Inc.	01/18/2028
Givonne G. Law	Public	Forest Ecology and Forestry	East Bay Regional Park District	09/26/2028
Leander Love- Anderegg, Ph.D.	Academic	Forest Ecology and Forestry	Academic University of California, Santa Barbara	03/06/2028
OPEN SEAT	<i>OPEN SEAT</i>	<i>OPEN SEAT</i>	<i>OPEN SEAT</i>	<i>OPEN SEAT</i>
AGENCY REPRESENTATIVES				
Stacy Drury, Ph.D. PENDING OPEN SEAT	USFS*, NOAA NMFS, USFWS	OPEN SEAT	USDA Forest Service, NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service, & U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service	n/a
Michael Baker, Ph.D	CAL FIRE	<i>Forest Wildlife</i>	California Department of Forestry & Fire Protection	n/a
Ben Waitman, Ph.D.	CDFW	Wildlife	California Department of Fish and Wildlife	n/a
Jonathan Wachter, Ph.D	CNRA	Soils, Rangelands, Climate Change	California Natural Resources Agency	n/a
Marjan Ghotbizadeh	SWRCB	Water Quality and Management	State Water Resources Control Board	n/a
Izaac Russo	NCWQCB	Geology and Water Quality	North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board	n/a
Jonathan Meurer	CVWQCB	Geology, Hydrology, and Water Quality	Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board	n/a
Bill Short	CGS	Engineering Geology and Hydrogeology	California Geological Survey	n/a
SUPPORT STAFF				
VACANT	NA	Forestry and Fire Protection	Executive Officer, Board of Forestry and Fire Protection	n/a

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Stacy Stanish RPF #3000	NA	Biology and Fisheries, RPF 3000	CAL FIRE	n/a
Dave Fowler	NA	Geology and Water Quality	North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board	n/a
Aaron Rachels	NA	Geology, Engineering, Forest Activities, and Storm Water Management	Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board	n/a
Kristina M. Wolf, Ph.D. CRM #122	NA	Rangeland and Restoration Ecology	Senior Environmental Scientist, Board of Forestry and Fire Protection	n/a

Key: CAL FIRE = California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection; CDFW = California Department of Fish and Wildlife; CGS = California Geological Survey; CRM = Certified Rangeland Manager; NCWQCB = North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board; NOAA NMFS = National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration National Marine Fisheries Service; RPF = Registered Professional Forester; SWRCB = State Water Resources Control Board; USFS = United States Forest Service; USFWS = United States Fish and Wildlife Service.

Agency representatives' guidance: "Natural Resources Agency, Department of Fish and Wildlife, California Geological Survey, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, State and Regional Water Quality Control Boards, National Marine Fisheries Service, and US Fish and Wildlife Service. Review Team agencies will assign a lead representative and a back-up representative. Mr. Wade Crowfoot, Secretary for Natural Resources, will be consulted regarding agency representation."

CURRENT AGENCY SEATS ARE FILLED AS FOLLOWS:

- Natural Resources Agency: Jonathan Wachter
- California Department of Fish and Wildlife: Ben Waitman
- California Geological Survey: Bill Short
- California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection: Michael Miller
- State and Regional Water Quality Control Boards: Izaac Russo, Jonathan Meurer, Marjan Ghotbizadeh
- US Forest Service, US Fish and Wildlife Service, and National Marine Fisheries Service: **VACANT** * Not a listed agency seat per membership guidance, but historically filled on the EMC. Effectively vacant, although Dr. Drury technically fills this seat. A replacement is currently being sought. All three federal seats were combined into one position per the EMC on June 16, 2025.