

May 24, 2023
Water Committee Agenda
6:00 to 7:30 pm
[ECOS ZOOM 6656164155](https://www.ecoswater.com/join/6656164155)

1. Meeting introductions 6:00 to 6:10.

2. Presentation/Discussion of the Status of the North American Groundwater Subbasin and Related Matters 6:10 – 7:00.

The ECOS Water Committee invites you to join us in a presentation/discussion of the sustainability of the North American Groundwater Subbasin. This subbasin is the source of groundwater providing a significant amount of the water used by the urban areas north of the American River. Jim Peifer Executive Director of the Sacramento Groundwater Authority, the agency that coordinates and manages a major portion of the subbasin, along with Trevor Joseph, Manager of Technical Services, will be presenting the latest condition of the subbasin as reflected in the annual subbasin sustainability report recently submitted to the state. Jim and Trevor will also describe efforts to protect Groundwater Dependent Ecosystems, shallow wells, and improve the subbasin's monitoring and modeling programs. All of these actions are important given plans by local water purveyors to expand conjunctive use and the Regional Water Authority to operate a water bank in the area overseen by SGA. Bring your questions and be prepared for a thoughtful presentation and discussion.

3. Discussion of the Possible Initiation of a Comparative Municipal Rate Study under Committee issue 14 – Equitable Rates and Social Justice 7:00 – 7:10.

The Committee will continue discussion of a proposal to study the equity implications of municipal water rates charged throughout the region.

4. Committee ongoing work and roundtable 7:10 – 7:30

- Follow up with RWA on CoSANA model - Neil
- Sac City and County Climate Action Plan status - Ted
- Turf Replacement Study status - Katrina
- Water Forum 2.0 update – Committee
- Water Bank – Ted
- Draft EIR Sac City well replacement Program – Ted
- Letter of invitation to SCGA to present at June Committee Mtg. – Ted
- Others

Committee Members

Alta Tura – Sacramento Area Creeks Council, Habitat 2020

Rob Burness – Co-Chair Habitat 2020, Friends of Stonelake, ECOS Bd.

Melinda Frost-Hurzel – Cosumnes Collaborative, Water Forum, CGA
Ted Rauh – Committee Chair, ECOS Bd, CNPS, Water Forum
Chris Brown – water conservation, climate change impacts, ECOS Bd.
Barbara Evoy – SCGA, CNPS, Water Forum
Inga Olson – UWMPs, League of Women Voters, Water Forum, SGA
Dr. Neil Dubrovsky – ground/surface water & fate and transport issues, SCGA, CGA
Katrina Harrison – ground/surface water & Turf replacement
Betsy Weiland – SARA, American River issues, Water Forum, CNPS