



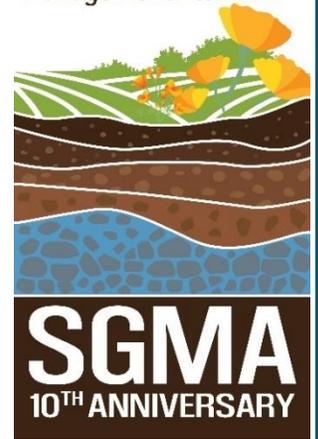
## The Road to Sustainability: SGMA 10-Year Anniversary Event - **DRAFT AGENDA**

**Monday November 18, 2024; 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM**

California Natural Resources Agency at 715 P St, Sacramento, CA 95814 or Online via Zoom

Register for free here: <https://SGMA10Year.eventbrite.com>

Join the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) as we commemorate the 10-Year Anniversary of the historic passage of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA). Hear from DWR **Director Karla Nemeth** and other distinguished speakers as we acknowledge this landmark legislation.



8:30 AM **Registration and Networking**

9:00 AM **Welcome and Keynote Address** - Former Governor of California, Jerry Brown

**Panel #1: Where Did It All Begin? A Pre-SGMA Reflection** - Panelists will reflect on the state of groundwater management prior to 2014, and the collaboration needed to pass SGMA legislation.

- **Roger Dickinson**, Former Assemblymember, California State Assembly
- **Lester Snow**, Former Secretary of the California Natural Resources Agency
- **Karen Ross**, Secretary of the California Department of Food and Agriculture
- **Cindy Tuck**, Deputy Executive Director, Association of California Water Agencies
- **Felicia Marcus** (to be confirmed), William C. Landreth Fellow, Stanford University Water in the West
- Moderated by **Paul Gosselin**, Deputy Director of Sustainable Water Management, DWR

### **Networking Break**

**Panel #2: Where Are We Now? Accomplishments of the First 10 Years** - Panelists will highlight the achievements and challenges that have brought their agency or organization to where they are now.

- **Trevor Joseph**, Manager of Technical Services, Regional Water Authority
- **Anecita Agustinez**, Tribal Policy Advisor, DWR
- **Aaron Fukuda**, General Manager, Tulare Irrigation District
- **Nataly Escobedo Garcia**, Water Policy Coordinator, Leadership Counsel for Justice & Accountability
- **Katarina Campbell**, Director, Westlands Water District GSA
- Moderated by **Keith Wallace**, Assistant Deputy Director of Sustainable Water Management, DWR

**No-Host Networking Lunch Break** - Order lunch and join us for optional tabletop discussions. Please note that lunch will not be included. Lunch suggestions coming soon.

**Panel #3: Where Are We Headed? The Road to Sustainability** - Panelists will share more about the next phase of SGMA implementation and State intervention.

- **Paul Gosselin**, Deputy Director of Sustainable Water Management, DWR
- **Dorene D'Adamo**, Vice Chair, State Water Resources Control Board
- **Brian Lockwood**, General Manager, Pajaro Valley Water Management Agency
- **Geoff Vanden Heuvel**, Director of Regulatory and Economic Affairs for Milk Producers Council
- **Keali'i Bright**, Assistant Director, California Department of Conservation
- **Don Cameron**, Member of Environmental Farming Act Science Advisory Panel, California Department of Food and Agriculture.
- *Moderator to be confirmed.*

**Closing Remarks** - Information coming soon.

### **Poster Session - How is the State Assisting with SGMA Implementation?**

4:30 PM **No-Host Networking Social** - Connect with colleagues and peers after the event. Location coming soon.

For questions or more information about the event, email [sgmps@water.ca.gov](mailto:sgmps@water.ca.gov).

For more information on the DWR Sustainable Groundwater Management Program, visit:

<https://www.water.ca.gov/Programs/Groundwater-Management>.