

MONTEREY COUNTY SEEKING APPLICANTS FOR PUBLIC MEMBER POSITIONS ON GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Monterey County is a member of a joint powers authority called the Salinas Valley Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency, an independent public agency established by County, the City of Salinas, and other cities and local agencies within the Salinas Valley Groundwater Basin. The purpose of the Agency is to cooperatively carry out the requirements of Sustainable Groundwater Management Act including serving as the Groundwater Sustainability Agency for the Groundwater Basin, and developing, adopting and implementing a Groundwater Sustainability Plan that achieves groundwater sustainability in the Basin.

The Agency has an 11-member Board of Directors with both Primary and Alternate Directors for each director seat. The County appoints two persons to fill the Primary and Alternate Public Member Director positions on the Board of Directors. The Public Member Director positions will be filled through an application process and appointment by the Board of Supervisors. The directors of the Agency are required to have certain qualifications including a basic understanding of the Groundwater Basin and groundwater in general, an understanding of how to run an organization, and the ability to work collaboratively with other directors coming from diverse constituencies. The directors must be able to commit significant time to the position, and will only receive a small stipend for each meeting.

Specific qualifications require that the Public Member Directors be either a rural residential well owner; or a representative of an industrial processor, a Local Small or State Small Water System (public water systems with less than 16 but more than 1 connections), or of a mutual water company.

Applications are now being accepted for these positions, to serve a three-year term commencing July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2022. Citizens residing within the limits of the Salinas Valley Groundwater Basin in Monterey County who meet the requisite qualifications, and are interested in serving as a Public Member Director, may submit a completed application to the Clerk of the Board's Office at the Monterey County Government Center. Application forms and a statement of duties are available on the County's website at <http://www.co.monterey.ca.us/cob/> and at the Clerk of the Board's Office, Government Center, 168 W. Alisal Street, 1st Floor, Salinas, CA 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Applications must be received at the Government Center by 5:00 p.m. Friday, June 14, 2019.

The Monterey County Board of Supervisors is expected to make the appointments on June 25, 2019. For further information, call (831) 755-5066.