



Salinas Valley Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency

Director Nomination Process

June 16, 2026



What is the SVBGSA?

Name: Salinas Valley Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (SVBGSA)

Legal Authority: A Joint Powers Authority (JPA) authorized by the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA)

Members: County, WRA, Salinas, Gonzales, Soledad, Greenfield, King, Castroville CSD, M1W

Purpose: Achieving Groundwater Sustainability.

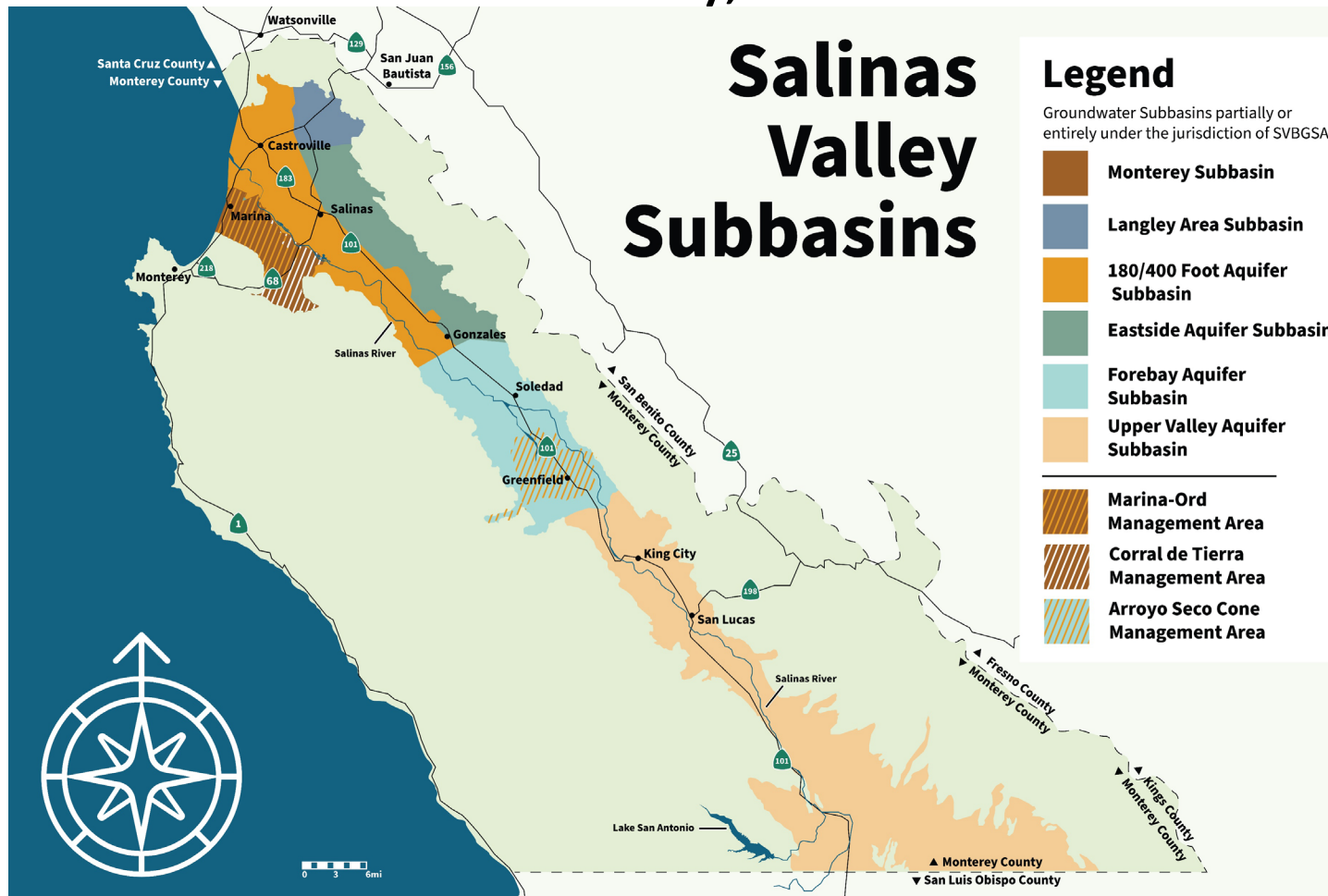
Structure: 11 Member Board of Directors (BOD):

- 4 Agricultural Directors, 1 Environmental Director, 1 Salinas Director, 1 South County City Director, 1 Other GSA Eligible Entity Director, 1 CPUC Regulated Water Company Director, 1 Public Member Director, 1 Disadvantaged Community Director



What is the SVBGSA?

Jurisdiction: The Salinas Valley, divided into 6 Subbasins





Why are we here?

- Directors of the SVBGSA serve staggered 3-year terms.
- 4 of 11 Directors have terms ending on June 31, 2026:
 - 1 Agricultural Director Position, representing the Forebay Subbasin
 - 1 Agricultural Director Position, representing the 180/400 Subbasin
 - 1 Environmental Director Seat
 - 1 “Other Eligible GSA Entity” Director Position
- The governing document (the Joint Powers Authority Agreement) provides that the Board of Supervisors is the “Appointing Authority” for these currently expiring positions.



Process for Appointments

- **Agricultural Director:** The Agricultural Association identifies and nominates 2 persons for each open “Director Position” (which has both a Primary and Alternate role), subject to specific qualifications, with preference indicated. The BOS “shall appoint,” unless no nominations are made, and may only reject a nominee for cause.
- **Environmental Director:** The “Environmental Director Position Nominating Group” identifies and nominates 2 persons for each open “Director Position” (which has both a Primary and Alternate role), subject to specific qualifications, with preference indicated. The BOS “shall appoint,” unless no nominations are made, and may only reject a nominee for cause.



Next Steps

- **Agricultural Director:** Nominees have been presented for confirmation.
- **Environmental Director:** Nominees have been presented for confirmation.
- **Requested Action:** Adopt the resolution confirmation the appointments.