

RWA Board Orientation



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We Saw the Potential from the Beginning



“You can do more collectively than individually. That’s why there is such great potential through the new Regional Water Authority. By creating a partnership, the participating agencies have placed this region at the forefront.”

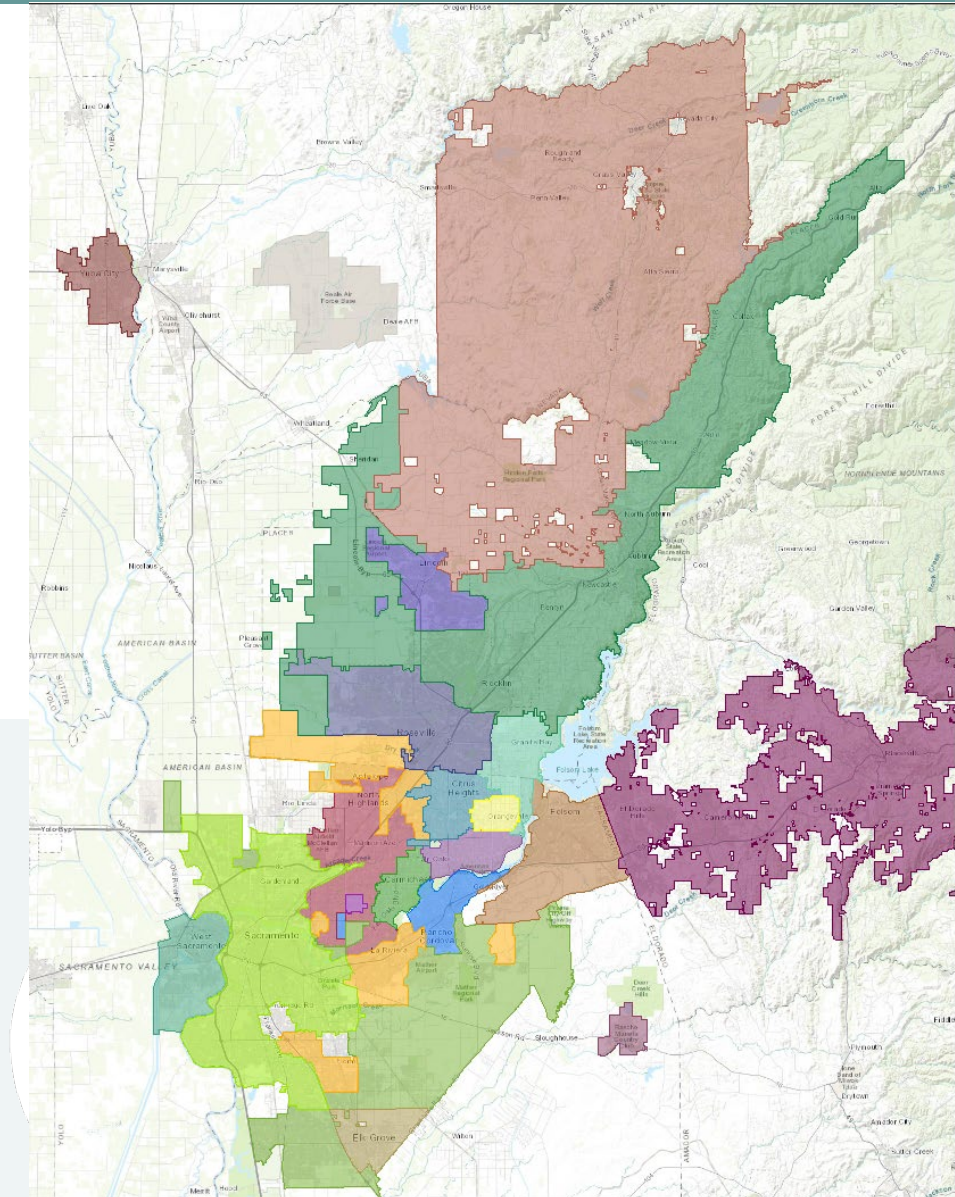
Stephen K. Hall, June 2001



We Have a Mission

To serve, represent and align the interests of regional water providers and stakeholders for the purpose of improving water supply reliability, availability, quality and affordability.

- 21 Members
- 6 Associate Members
- 8 Affiliates



We Have a Plan

2025+



Our Five “I”s

- Integrity
- Innovative
- Informed
- Inclusive
- Impactful



What We Do Together

- Shared ownership of the strategic plan
- Legislative and Regulatory Advocacy
- Regional Water Use Efficiency
- Major Projects Management Services
- Grant Strategy and Acquisition (over \$110 Million to date in state and federal grants)
- Regional Water Reliability
 - Sacramento Regional Water Bank
 - Water Transfer Support Services
- SGA Staffing and Services
- Communications

How We Do Our Business - the RWA Board



- Help the RWA achieve its mission
- Let us know what your agency's issues are
- Give constructive engagement

- Set Policy
- Establish Strategic Plan Priorities Annually
- Consider and Approve Annual Budget
- Review and approve Financial and Investment Policies

Individually

- Complete and submit a Form 700 - Economic Interests Form
- Submit proof of completion for Sexual Harassment Prevention and Board Ethics Training per ACWA JPIA

RWA Policy 200.2 – Authority delegated to the Executive Committee

- Budget development
- Some contracts
- Executive director performance
- Agenda preparation for Board
- Sounding board for ideas
- Potential revisions to the policy

RWA Policy 200.3 - Election Procedures

- Composition of committee
- Potential revisions to the policy

Role of the Chair (Policy 200.1 – Rules of Procedure):

- Presiding officer, presiding over meetings of the Board and the Executive Committee
- Liaison between the Executive Director and the Board and the Executive Committee
- Calling special meetings of the Board and the Executive Committee, establishing and appointing committees of the Board and the Executive Committee (except Executive Committee) and
- Appointing ad hoc committee members

How to Help Us Help You



- Get involved
- Let us know what your issues are
- Talk to us about how we can help you
- Let us know when you meet with officials
- Be on the same page and speak with one voice
- Help us get the word out
- Look for opportunities to move your collective interests



Discussion



RWA Values: The Five “I”s



INTEGRITY: We are respectful and transparent in internal and external interactions.

Our actions are consistent with our stated intentions.

INNOVATIVE: We are visionary and strategic in our approach to anticipating and meeting challenges.

We address changing circumstances proactively, cost-effectively, and with technical sophistication.

INFORMED: We are a trusted and reliable source of information.

We stay current and maintain an understanding of relevant issues, evaluating and communicating how they may affect members and the region

INCLUSIVE: We encourage open participation and equitable treatment amongst and by our members and other stakeholders.

We leverage our members' collective strength to best serve the region.

IMPACTFUL: We accomplish meaningful outcomes for the benefit of our members, the region, and future generations.

We communicate collective positions in a manner that both strengthens, and is strengthened by, the voices of our members.

Goals

- Planning
- Implementation
- Communication
- Advocacy

