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Applicants sought for Groundwater Sustainability Plan Advisory Committee (GSPAC)

NAPA – The Executive Director for the Napa County Groundwater Sustainability Agency (NCGSA) announces twenty-five (25) openings on the newly formed **Groundwater Sustainability Plan Advisory Committee** representing the following categories. The terms for all appointees shall expire on January 31, 2022.

- Four (4) members shall represent the three cities and town located within the sub-basin (Calistoga, St. Helena, Yountville and Napa);
- One (1) member shall represent the Napa Sanitation District;
- Two (2) members shall represent legal holders of surface water rights along the Napa River within the sub-basin;
- Two (2) members shall represent owners or operators of legally entitled groundwater dependent public water systems within the sub-basin;
- Two (2) members shall represent holders of overlying groundwater rights within the sub-basin;
- Five (5) members shall represent agricultural interests within the sub-basin;
- Five (5) members shall represent environmental users of groundwater within the sub-basin;
- Two (2) members shall represent disadvantaged communities located within the sub-basin; and
- Two (2) members shall represent the public at large.

Recruitments will remain opened until the vacancies are filled. The first review of applications will be on May 6, 2020.

Commission Purpose: To advise the NCGSA Board of Directors on the preparation of a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP), with policies and recommendations to manage the groundwater within the Napa Valley Sub-Basin to ensure its long-term protection and availability. Working with staff, consultants, and a facilitator in a public forum, the Committee will submit a recommended GSP to the Board of Directors for consideration no later than November 1, 2021.

The Committee shall meet monthly with dates and times to be determined at the first meeting, and may conduct special meetings on an on-call basis as needed, usually at the Board of Supervisors Chambers, 1195 Third Street, Napa, CA.

Qualifications:

- Cities and Town Representatives: Four (4) members recommended by the individual city or town councils (Calistoga, Napa, St. Helena, and Yountville) located within the sub-basin (no specialized or professional background is required);
- Napa Sanitation District Representative: One (1) member recommended by the Napa Sanitation District (no specialized or professional background is required);
- Surface Water Right Representatives: Two (2) members who own legal surface water rights along the Napa River within the sub-basin (no specialized or professional background is required);
- Public Water System Representatives: Two (2) members who own or operate legally entitled groundwater dependent public water systems within the sub-basin (no specialized or professional background is required);
- Groundwater Rights Representatives: Two (2) members who hold overlying groundwater rights within the sub-basin (no specialized or professional background is required);
- Agricultural Representatives: Five (5) members from the major industry organizations (no specialized or professional background is required).
- Environmental Representatives: Five (5) members from groups that promote the interests of environmental uses of groundwater within the sub-basin (no specialized or professional background is required);
- Disadvantaged Communities Representatives: Two (2) members who are residents or owners within one of six disadvantaged communities located in the sub-basin designated by the Department of Water Resources (no specialized or professional background is required); and
- Public At Large Representatives: Two (2) members with a strong interest in managing groundwater for the public interest (no specialized or professional background is required).

For an interactive map showing both the boundaries of both the groundwater sub-basin and the disadvantaged communities, please go to the following webpage:

<https://sgma.water.ca.gov/webgis/?appid=SGMADataViewer#boundaries>.

For a map showing the boundaries of the groundwater sub-basin and the major road networks, so that you can determine whether you live or own land with the sub-basin, please go to the following webpage: [Basic PBES Map](#)

Anyone interested in consideration for appointment must submit an application form. Application forms are available at the County Executive Office, 1195 Third Street, Suite 310, Napa, CA 94559, telephone (707) 253-4421 or online at <https://www.countyofnapa.org/1420/Committees-Commissions>. When you are on the webpage, scroll down to the heading “**Apply**” then click on “Application Form.” *The Board of Supervisors and staff of Napa County are dedicated to preserving and sustaining Napa County for present and future generations as a community with generous open space, a thriving agricultural industry and a quality human and natural environment. Visit us on the Web at www.countyofnapa.org*