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The diverse representative agencies that appoint members of the Board of Directors of the Stewardship Council are briefly described below.

Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA)

The purpose of the ACWA is to work together with its members and others for the best interests of California and its citizens and landowners who use, need, and depend upon water. The ACWA encourages the orderly development of the Waters of the State to seek means of obtaining and making available to all Californians a dependable water supply of the best possible quality at the lowest possible cost. The ACWA gives due consideration to environmental factors involved to provide inspiration and leadership in meeting and solving the water supply problems of the State [of California] to propose and advocate such policies and measures – local, State, and Federal – which serve the best interests of the Association. They also assist in promoting the health, safety, and welfare of the employees of its member organizations and do all other things that will be for the best interests of its members.

California Department of Fish and Game (DFG)

The DFG manages California's diverse fish, wildlife, and plant resources, and the habitats upon which they depend for their ecological values and their use and enjoyment by the public. The DFG maintains native fish, wildlife, plant species, and natural communities for their intrinsic and ecological value and their benefits to people. This includes habitat protection and maintenance in a sufficient amount and quality to ensure the survival of all species and natural communities. The Department is also responsible for the diversified use of fish and wildlife including recreational, commercial, scientific, and educational uses. The DFG manages nearly 200 wildlife areas and ecological reserves totaling nearly 700,000 acres.

California Farm Bureau Federation

The California Farm Bureau Federation is a non-governmental, non-profit, voluntary membership California corporation designed to protect and promote agricultural interests throughout the State of California and to find solutions to the problems of the farm, the farm home, and the rural community. It is California's largest farm organization, comprising 53 County Farm Bureaus currently representing more than 91,500 farm families and individual members in 56 counties. The Farm Bureau strives to protect and improve the ability of farmers and ranchers engaged in production agriculture to provide a reliable supply of food and fiber through responsible stewardship of California's resources. The Farm Bureau is organized on a county, state, and national basis.

California Forestry Association (CFA)

The CFA consists of companies and individuals committed to environmentally sound policies, sustainable uses of renewable resources, and responsible forestry. CFA's mission is to ensure an adequate and sustainable supply of forest products at an affordable price while enhancing forest health. CFA's diversified membership includes forest landowners, forestry professionals, loggers, manufacturers, wholesalers, and retailers who are engaged in the production and/or distribution of wood products, and other interested individuals. CFA serves as a central voice for California's forest-resource-dependent companies and communities.

California Hydropower Reform Coalition (CHRC)

The CHRC protects, enhances, and restores California's rivers and watersheds adversely affected by hydropower operation using collaboration, scientific, legal and policy expertise, and public involvement. The Coalition was formed in 1997 to protect and restore California rivers impaired by hydropower dams. The Coalition is governed by a sixteen-member Steering Committee representing environmental, fishing, and river recreation organizations. Organizations comprising the Steering Committee include: American Rivers, American Whitewater, California Outdoors, California Sportfishing Protection Alliance, California Trout, Foothill Conservancy, Friends of the River, Natural Heritage Institute, the South Yuba River Citizens League, and Trout Unlimited.

California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC)

The CPUC regulates privately owned telecommunications, electric, natural gas, water, railroad, rail transit, and passenger transportation companies. The CPUC is responsible for ensuring that customers have safe, reliable utility service at reasonable rates, protecting against fraud, and promoting the health of California's economy. The CPUC works with other State and Federal agencies in promoting water quality, environmental protection, and safety.

The five Commissioners on the CPUC each serve a six-year term, are appointed by the Governor, and must be confirmed by the Senate. The Commission was the decision-making body that issued the Final Order modifying the Proposed Settlement Agreement of Pacific Gas & Electric Company, PG&E Corporation, and the Commission Staff and the Modified Settlement Agreement.

California Public Utilities Commission Appointees

The CPUC appoints three public members of the Board at their discretion to ensure adequate and balanced representation of all ratepayer interests affected by the LCC, and to assume sufficient and balanced expertise exists to further implement the LCC. These Board members typically serve as community or other public representatives. These appointments provide the CPUC with the opportunity to add community representatives outside of the CPUC to the Stewardship Council Board.

California Resources Agency

The California Resources Agency's mission is to restore, protect, and manage the State's natural, historical, and cultural resources for current and future generations using creative approaches and solutions based on science, collaboration, and respect for all the communities and interests involved. The Resources Agency undertakes projects to preserve open space, protect shoreline and ocean resources, promote clean and reliable energy, improve flood protection, and take action on climate change issues. Numerous Departments, Boards and Commissions, and Conservancies are contained under the purview of the Resources Agency.

Represented Departments include:

- CALFED Bay-Delta Program
- California Department of Boating and Waterways
- California Department of Fish and Game

- California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection
- California Department of Parks and Recreation
- California Department of Water Resources
- California Conservation Corps

Boards and Commissions include:

- California Coastal Commission
- California Energy Commission
- California State Lands Commission
- San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission
- Delta Protection Commission
- Colorado River Board of California
- State Reclamation Board
- Board of Forestry
- Fish and Game Commission
- Mining and Geology Board
- Native American Heritage Commission
- Parks and Recreation Commission
- State Historical Resources Commission
- State Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Commission
- California Water Commission
- California Boating and Waterways Commission
- Wildlife Conservation Board

The Conservancies include:

- Baldwin Hills Conservancy
- California Tahoe Conservancy
- Coachella Valley Mountains Conservancy

- San Diego River Conservancy
- San Gabriel & Lower Los Angeles Rivers & Mountains Conservancy
- San Joaquin River Conservancy
- Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy
- Sierra Nevada Conservancy
- State Coastal Conservancy

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB)

The mission of the Central Valley RWQCB is to preserve and enhance the quality of California's water resources for the benefit of present and future generations. The Central Valley Region is the state's largest, encompassing 60,000 square miles, or about 40% of the state's total area. Thirty-eight of California's 58 counties are either completely or partially within the Regional Board's boundaries. The Sacramento and San Joaquin Rivers, along with their tributaries, drain the major part of this large area through an inland Delta, prior to emptying into San Francisco Bay.

The primary duty of the Central Valley RWQCB is to protect the quality of the waters within the Central Valley Region for all beneficial uses. This duty is performed by formulating and adopting water quality control plans for specific ground and surface water basins and by prescribing and enforcing requirements on waste discharges.

Division of Ratepayer Advocates (DRA)

The DRA, a division of the CPUC, is mandated by State law to represent and advocate on behalf of public utility customers to obtain the lowest possible rates consistent with reliable and safe service levels. The DRA provides the strongest possible advocacy in the advancement and protection of utility customers' interests at the CPUC and in other forums that affect public utility rates, investments, resources, and operations.

Native American Heritage Commission

The Native American Heritage Commission was established in 1976. The Mission of the Native American Heritage Commission is to provide protection to Native American burials from vandalism and inadvertent destruction; provide a procedure for the notification of most likely descendants regarding the discovery of Native American human remains and associated grave goods; bring legal action to prevent severe and irreparable damage to sacred shrines, ceremonial sites, sanctified cemeteries, and place of worship on public property; and maintain an inventory of sacred places.

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E)

PG&E is one of the largest combination natural gas and electric utilities in the United States. Based in San Francisco, there are approximately 20,000 employees who carry out PG&E's primary business—the generation, transmission, and delivery of energy. The company provides natural gas and electrical service to approximately 15 million people throughout a 70,000-square-mile service area in northern and central California. The service area stretches from Eureka in the

north to Bakersfield in the south, and from the Pacific Ocean in the west to the Sierra Nevada in the east.

Regional Council of Rural Counties (RCRC)

The RCRC is dedicated to representing the collective, unique interests of its membership, providing legislative and regulatory representation at the State and Federal levels, and providing responsible services to its members that will enhance and protect the quality of life in rural California counties.

The 30 member counties of the RCRC are home to approximately 46% of California's landmass, approximately 7% of California's population (2.4 million people), and the origin of 80% of its water. These assets give rural communities an important statewide role. Through State and Federal outreach, active partnerships, and a clear focus, RCRC's membership is the "voice of rural California."

State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB)

The SWRCB's mission is to preserve, enhance, and restore the quality of California's water resources, and ensure their proper allocation and efficient use for the benefit of present and future generations. The joint authority of water allocation and water quality protection enables the SWRCB to provide comprehensive protection for California's waters.

The SWRCB allocates water rights, adjudicates water rights disputes, develops statewide water protection plans, establishes water quality standards, and guides the nine Regional Water Quality Control Boards located in the major watersheds of the state. The Regional Boards, each comprised of nine members, serve as the frontline for State and Federal water pollution control efforts. Each Regional Board is guided by a Basin Plan, tailored to its unique watershed and providing scientific and regulatory basis for water protection efforts.

Trust for Public Land (TPL)

The TPL is a nonprofit, land conservation organization that conserves land for people to enjoy as parks, gardens, and other natural places, ensuring livable communities for generations to come. Since 1972, TPL has worked with willing landowners, community groups, and national, state, and local agencies to complete more than 3,000 land conservation projects in 46 states, protecting more than 2 million acres. Since 1994, TPL has helped states and communities craft and pass almost 300 ballot measures, generating over \$19 billion in new conservation-related funding.

U.S. Forest Service (USFS)/U.S. Bureau of Land Management (BLM)

The USFS and BLM share one Stewardship Council Board of Directors seat.

The mission of the USFS, an agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture established in 1905, is to sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of the nation's forests and grasslands to meet the needs of present and future generations. The USFS manages public lands in national forests and grasslands, which encompass 193 million acres of land within the United States.

The BLM, an agency within the U.S. Department of the Interior, administers 262 million surface acres of public lands, and about 300 million additional acres of subsurface mineral resources, located primarily in 12 western states. The BLM is responsible for wildfire management and

suppression on 388 million acres. The BLM sustains the health, diversity, and productivity of the public lands for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations.