

San Joaquin Farm Bureau's 109th Annual Meeting

THE AGENDA WILL INCLUDE ANNUAL ELECTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND THE PRESENTATION OF THE 2023 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS. GUESTS WILL HEAR FROM A GUEST SPEAKER.

Thursday, May 18th

ROBERT J. CABRAL AG CENTER
2101 E. EARHART AVE.
STOCKTON, CA 95206



Tickets \$50 Per Person

- 5:30 pm No Host Social
- 6:30 pm Dinner
- 7:00 pm Program

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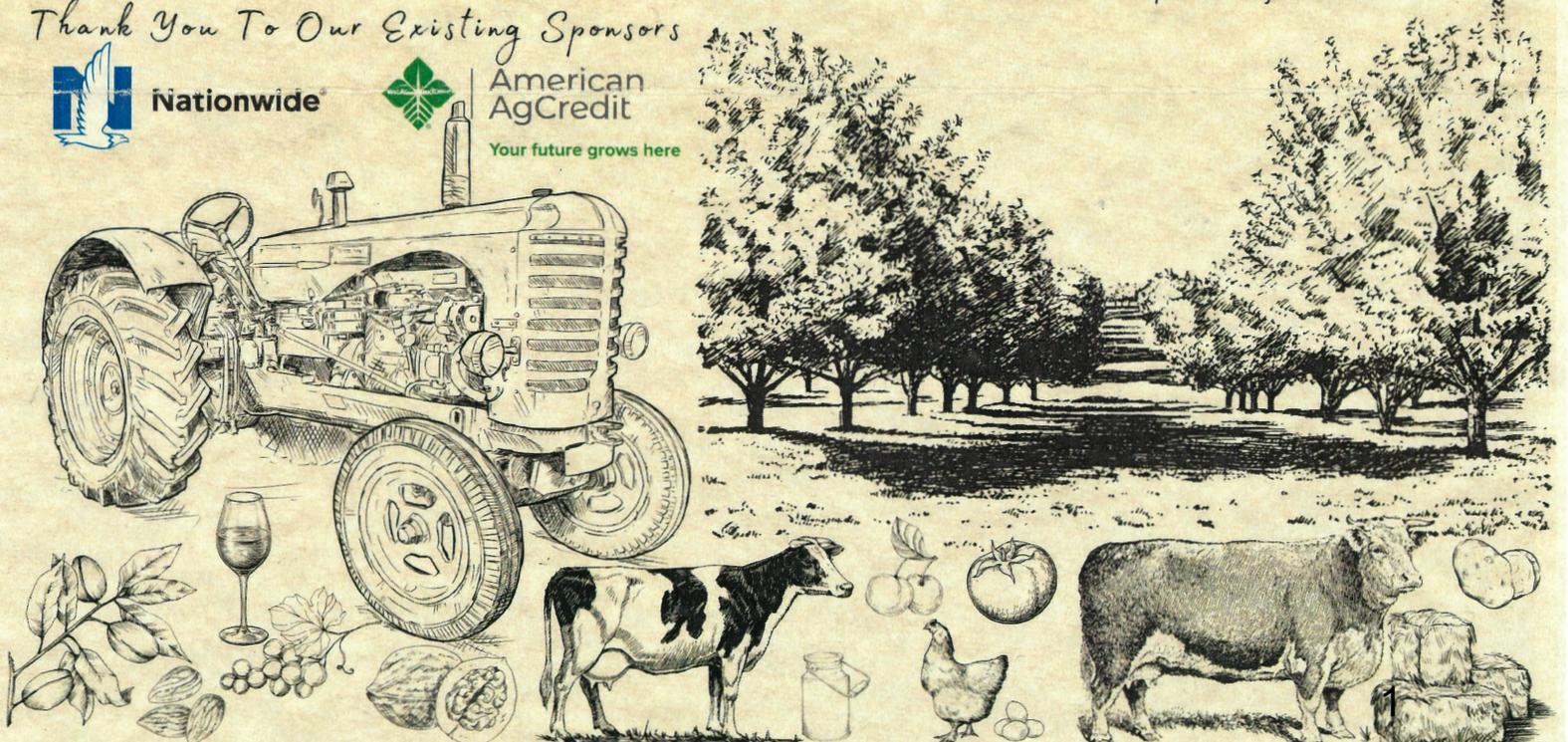


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2023 STATE OF THE CITY



Thursday, May 18, 2023 @ 10:30am- 2:00pm
Port of Stockton, Shed 20

Tickets are \$50 each. Prepaid Reservations only

We are excited to announce the 2023 State of the City will be held in person on Thursday, May 18, 2023, at the Port of Stockton.

Co-sponsored by the Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce and The Port of Stockton, this high-profile event showcases our city's economic, educational, and cultural development and plans for upcoming projects. Don't miss Mayor Kevin Lincoln's 3rd State of the City Address and an informative State of the Port from the Port of Stockton Commission Chairman.

The biggest local public event of the year will be held on Thursday, May 18th! Doors open at 10:30 AM, and lunch will be served at Noon.

Questions please reach out to Carolyn Teixeira Gomes, carolyn@stocktonchamber.org or [\(209\) 292-8426](tel:2092928426)

2023 SPEAKERS



MAYOR KEVIN J. LINCOLN II, City of Stockton



KAY RUHSTALLER

2023 President, Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce



MICHAEL PATRICK DUFFY

Chair, Port of Stockton Commission

2023 AGENDA

10:30 am

Doors Open, Networking, Visit Exhibit Booths

11:45 am

Welcome

Kay Ruhstaller, 2023 President, Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce

Pledge of Allegiance

Kay Ruhstaller, 2023 President, Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce

National Anthem

12:00 pm

Lunch

State of the Port of Stockton

Michael Patrick Duffy, Chair, Port of Stockton Commission

State of the City Address

Mayor Kevin J. Lincoln II

2:00 pm

Adjourn



May 17, 2023 - 7:30am - May 19, 2023 - 6:30pm

BAY-DELTA TOUR 2023 FIELD TRIP - MAY 17-19

NEARLY SOLD OUT - [Click here to register!](#)

This tour travels deep into California's water hub and traverses the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, a 720,000-acre network of islands and canals that supports the state's water system and is California's most crucial water and ecological resource. The tour will make its way to San Francisco Bay and includes a ferry ride.

Water from Northern California flows through the Delta and provides drinking water for more than 27 million Californians and irrigation to about 3 million acres of farmland that contribute to the state's \$54 billion agricultural industry.

Planned stops include the Delta Cross Channel, the Bay Model in Sausalito, Los Vaqueros Reservoir and Suisun Marsh. Issues to be discussed include Delta planning initiatives, the proposed tunnel project, water project operations, fish passage, ecosystem restoration, levees and flood management, Delta agriculture, storage, and drinking water quality and water supply reliability.



This 3-day, 2-night tour features experts who will discuss the issues and controversies with this important resource, farmers who grow produce and environmentalists who are trying to bolster declining fish populations.

Contact Programs Director Nick Gray [via email](#) with any tour questions.

What attendees say about this tour:

"I really liked the chance to see many places in the Delta and the Bay, including some places I'd been to before but this time saw in a different way through a different lens. I loved hearing many different perspectives. The tour ended up being a really great way to get to know my coworkers better."

"Listening to the stories of the farmer was fascinating. I liked the wide range of perspectives, learning about all of the amazing resources in the area, and connecting with other professionals in the water industry."

"The Bay Model was simply amazing, could have spent hours there. It was just an awesome three days all together."

Planned Stops Include:

- Delta islands & levees
 - Delta Cross Channel
 - Federal pumping plant at Tracy
 - San Francisco Bay
 - Suisun Marsh
 - State fish screens
 - Los Vaqueros Reservoir
 - U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Bay Model
 - Aquarium of the Bay
 - Clifton Court Forebay
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Planned Topics Include:

- Delta restoration plans
 - Agriculture, water rights
 - State & federal water project operations in the Delta
 - Studies & debate on Delta conveyance
 - Levee integrity, subsidence & flood management
 - Water project operations & efforts to protect fish
 - Water quality, salt intrusion & drinking water treatment
 - Ecosystem restoration projects, wetlands & waterfowl
 - Land use & planning
 - Climate change & infrastructure challenges
 - Los Vaqueros expansion
 - Fish population & pumping restrictions
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Tour Start & End Point:

The tour starts at 7:30 a.m. on May 17 and ends at 6:30 p.m. on May 19 at the Water Education Foundation office, [2151 River Plaza Drive, Suite 205, Sacramento, CA](#). **Free parking is available.**

The tour includes overnight stays in Stockton and Walnut Creek which are arranged by the Foundation and covered by the registration fee.

The [Courtyard Sacramento Airport Natomas](#) is next door to the Water Education Foundation and also offers a shuttle to/from Sacramento International Airport (SMF). We have a discounted room rate arranged there and self-pay booking options are provided upon registration for the tour.

Pricing Details:

General – \$999 (one person, single-occupancy room)

Fee includes all tour meals, transportation, materials, snacks and hotel accommodations once the tour begins Wednesday. Meals covered by the registration fee include lunch on Wednesday through lunch on Friday. Participants are responsible for their own transportation to and from the tour's beginning and end point.

A limited amount of scholarship funding is available to pay for a portion of the tour. Scholarships are awarded based on a few factors, including:

- Financial need
- Reason for scholarship request
- How the education & experience will be used after the tour

Contact Nick Gray [via email](#) to apply or for more information.

COVID-19 Policy:

The Foundation continues to monitor developments with COVID-19. Precautions will be implemented during the tour including enhanced sanitation protocols and an itinerary that maximizes use of outdoor/open-air spaces when feasible.

Despite these mitigating circumstances, an inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists in any place where people gather. All participants should consider their personal choices around harm reduction and risk tolerance in the face of current variants and the likelihood of additional variants emerging in the future.

Acceptance of an assumption of risk waiver is required during registration for the tour.

We ask participants not to attend if, within 72 hours of the tour start date, they have experienced symptoms of COVID-19 (e.g., a fever of 100.4F or higher, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, chills, repeated shaking muscle pain/achiness, headache, sore throat, loss of taste or smell, nasal congestion, runny nose, vomiting, diarrhea, fatigue or any other symptoms associated with COVID-19 identified by the CDC).

If a participant tests positive or is exposed to someone who tests positive for COVID-19 within 5 days of the tour start date, they must provide proof of a negative COVID-19 test result within 72 hours of the tour start date regardless of their vaccination status.

Cancellation & Refund Policy:

Deadline to cancel and receive a refund is three weeks prior to the first day of the tour due to hotel, meal and transportation commitments. Substitutions are allowed up to five business days before the tour. Eventbrite fees are nonrefundable and the remaining amount may be subject to an additional 10% processing fee.

We recognize that unexpected conflicts with our tours can occur from time to time. The Water Education Foundation recommends you consider arranging travel insurance from a provider of your choice soon after tour registration to protect against such unfortunate events.

Continuing Education Credits:

MCLE credits are available only for California attorneys for an additional fee, and may be available for water plant/wastewater plant operators and other vocations/professions. Contact Nick Gray [via email](#) with any questions.

Nearly Sold Out - [Click here to register!](#)

TOUR SPONSORS

Bureau of Reclamation – California-Great Basin

Major Sponsor

One of five Reclamation regions, the California-Great Basin region covers the northern two-thirds of California, most of western Nevada and part of southern Oregon. The region places great importance on fulfilling its obligations for water delivery, water conservation, water recycling and reuse, power generation, and protecting natural and cultural resources.



California Department of Water Resources

Major Sponsor

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We specialize in all aspects of project planning, environmental analysis and assessment, and regulatory compliance. For more than four decades we've guided integrated decision-making, developing innovative and workable solutions that inform development and restoration projects based on sound science, policy, and planning.



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EBMUD has a proud history of providing high-quality drinking water for 1.4 million customers in Alameda and Contra Costa counties. The District's award-winning wastewater treatment protects San Francisco Bay and serves 740,000 customers.



San Francisco Public Utilities Commission

Tour Sponsor

The San Francisco Public Utilities Commission provides top quality drinking water and wastewater services to the city of San Francisco, wholesale water to three Bay Area counties, and green hydroelectric and solar power to our municipal departments. Our team of 2,300 people strives to work in harmony with environmental and community interests, and we are dedicated to protecting and sustaining the resources entrusted to our care.



San Francisco
Public Utilities
Commission

Westervelt Ecological Services

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Westervelt Ecological Services creates mitigation banks and provides environmental mitigation and habitat planning services to landowners, businesses, government agencies, and land trusts. Our established industry leaders excel in the field of stream, wetland, and endangered species mitigation services, to create a nationwide habitat mitigation company.



Contra Costa Water District

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The Contra Costa Water District delivers safe, clean water to approximately 500,000 people in central and eastern Contra Costa County in Northern California. Formed in 1936 to provide water for irrigation and industry, we are now one of the largest urban water districts in California and a leader in drinking-water treatment technology and source water protection. As a public water agency, we are committed to transparency and sharing information about our public services with many and varied audiences.



Valley Water

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Valley Water is nationally recognized as a leading water resources management agency. Founded in 1929, Valley Water provides Silicon Valley safe, clean water; flood protection; and stewardship of streams for a healthy life, environment, and economy.





ACWA ADVISORY

LEGISLATIVE | WATER RIGHTS
April 26, 2023

California Legislature Advances Three Water Rights Bills to Appropriations Committees

Two water rights bills in which ACWA is leading a large coalition to oppose advanced out of committees Tuesday despite several ACWA members and others in the coalition, testifying to urge “No” votes. A third water rights bill advanced last week.

AB 460 (Bauer-Kahan) passed out of the Assembly Judiciary Committee with a vote of 7-2-2 and moves to the Assembly Appropriations Committee. Brian Poulson, General Counsel for El Dorado Irrigation District and Chair of ACWA’s State Legislative Committee, provided lead testimony in opposition to the bill alongside Jennifer Pierre, General Manager of the State Water Contractors. More than 20 other people testified in opposition to the bill.

“(AB 460) would apply to illegal and legal diversions, substantially broadening the State Water Board’s authority beyond what is necessary to enforce the water rights system which would be to the detriment of all water users,” Pierre testified. “A complete dismantling of the water rights system, which is what this bill would result in, will paralyze these agencies from making these urgent and necessary investments (in water infrastructure projects).”

SB 389 (Allen) passed out of the Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee and will next moves to the Senate Appropriations Committee. While the bill narrowly advanced out of committee on a 6-3-2 vote, multiple committee members raised concerns with the bill. In particular, committee members questioned the need to hand the State Water Resources Control Board sweeping authority to investigate law-abiding water right holders.

AB 1337 (Wicks) passed out of the Assembly Water, Parks, and Wildlife Committee on April 18 with amendments and will also be heard in the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

ACWA has issued Legislative Alerts urging members to join the coalition and contact local legislators to share their opposition. Talking points are available to assist in those conversations.

Background

ACWA's State Legislative Committee has taken an oppose position on all three bills that threaten to undermine the basic foundation of water management and water delivery in California. ACWA staff is making it a top priority to stop them and is leading a coalition of water and business/economic interests in opposition of the following bills.

AB 460 (Bauer-Kahan) would grant the State Water Resources Control Board new and sweeping authority to issue interim relief orders against water diverters and users. Additionally, these orders could be issued without holding a hearing in which water right holders could defend their actions.

The bill would also authorize the State Water Board to enforce the orders by imposing onerous and costly requirements on water users. This could include curtailing diversions, imposing new minimum streamflow requirements, directing reservoir operations, requiring the diverter to conduct technical studies, and more.

AB 1337 (Wicks) would authorize the State Water Board to issue curtailment orders against all water right holders and during any water year type. This would have the potential to significantly impact the certainty and availability of water supplies.

SB 389 (Allen) would authorize the State Water Board to investigate and determine the scope and validity of any water right claim. In any proceeding to evaluate the basis of a water right, the water right holder would have the burden of proving the basis of the right. ACWA has serious concerns with authorizing the State Water Board to drag water right holders before the Board to prove their claims.

Questions

For questions about any of the water rights bills, please contact ACWA Legislative Advocate Kristopher Anderson at (916) 441-4545.