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Mark Baldassare is president and CEO of the Public Policy Institute of California, where he holds the Arjay and Frances Fearing Miller Chair in Public Policy. He is a leading expert on public opinion and survey methodology, and has directed the PPIC Statewide Survey since 1998. He is an authority on elections, voter behavior, and political and fiscal reform, authoring ten books and numerous reports on these topics. He often provides testimony before legislative committees and state commissions, and regularly hosts PPIC's Speaker Series, a public forum featuring in-depth interviews with state and national leaders. Previously, he served as PPIC's director of research. Before joining PPIC, he was a professor of urban and regional planning at the University of California, Irvine, where he held the Johnson Chair in Civic Governance. He has conducted surveys for the *Los Angeles Times*, the *San Francisco Chronicle*, and the California Business Roundtable. He holds a PhD in sociology from the University of California, Berkeley.

Celeste Cantú is CEO of Water Education for Latino Leaders (WELL), which informs local leaders about water policies that promote a robust economy, healthy communities, and a resilient environment for all Californians. Before joining WELL in 2017, she served as general manager for the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority. There she worked on an Integrated Regional Watershed Management Plan called One Water One Watershed. She previously served as the executive director for the California State Water Resources Control Board and as the USDA rural development state director for California. She was born and raised in Calexico, where she served as planning director and later as executive director for the Imperial Valley Housing Authority. She joined the PPIC Water Policy Center Advisory Council in 2015 and became chair in 2017. She holds a master's in public administration from Harvard's Kennedy School of Government and a BA in urban planning and policy from Yale.

Greg Dalton founded Climate One at the Commonwealth Club in 2007 after traveling to the Russian Arctic on a global warming symposium with climate scientists and journalists. Today, Climate One produces a weekly radio show broadcast on public stations in California and around the country. He also hosts a monthly TV show on KRCB TV 22 on Comcast and DirecTV. Climate One is the only regular talk show that engages high-level leaders from business, policy, advocacy, and academic circles in a conversation about building a sustainable economy and stabilizing the Earth's climate. Past guests include scientific icon Jane Goodall, music legend Graham Nash, former Vice President Al Gore, US Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger, US Energy Secretary Rick Perry, Tea Party cofounder Debbie Dooley, Google chairman Eric Schmidt, Chevron CEO Dave O'Reilly, GM chairman Dan Akerson, Ford Motor Co. chairman Bill Ford, Sierra Club executive director Michael Brune, and many other leaders. He previously was a journalist for 12 years covering news in Beijing, Vancouver, New York, and San Francisco for the *Associated Press*, *South China Morning Post*, *McNeil-Lehrer News Hour*, and *Industry Standard* magazine. He holds a master's degree in international affairs from Columbia University and a bachelor's degree in politics from Occidental College.

Ellen Hanak is director of the PPIC Water Policy Center and a senior fellow at the Public Policy Institute of California, where she holds the Ellen Hanak Chair in Water Policy. Under her leadership, the center has become a critical source of information and guidance for natural resource management in California. She has authored dozens of reports, articles, and books on water policy, including *Managing California's Water*. Her research is frequently profiled in the national media, and she participates in briefings, conferences, and interviews throughout the nation and around the world. Her other areas of expertise include climate change and infrastructure finance. Previously, she served as research

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director at PPIC. Before joining PPIC, she held positions with the French agricultural research system, the President's Council of Economic Advisers, and the World Bank. She holds a PhD in economics from the University of Maryland.

Maria Herrera joined Self-Help Enterprises (SHE) in 2014 and was named community development manager of community engagement and planning in 2016. In this role, she is focused on improving community participation in regional water planning, sustainable groundwater management, and policy development. As a former community development specialist, she worked with low-income, rural water and wastewater systems throughout the San Joaquin Valley to assist them in conducting outreach and education activities, writing grant applications, administering grants, and supporting project implementation. She also works with rural communities that have lost their water supply, or remain at risk of doing so, to secure funding and resources for emergency relief and water conservation projects. Prior to joining SHE, she worked for nearly seven years at the Community Water Center where she focused on the development of community-driven water solutions and planning processes at regional and statewide levels through community organizing, advocacy campaigns, and community engagement opportunities. In 2015, she was appointed by Governor Brown to the California Water Commission. Prior to her appointment, she served as a powerful voice for environmental justice communities in the Governor's Drinking Water Stakeholder Group, a multi-stakeholder task force that developed statewide recommendations to address drinking water challenges faced by disadvantaged communities.

Felicia Marcus was appointed by Governor Brown to the California State Water Resources Control Board in 2012 and was designated as chair in 2013. The Water Board implements both federal and state laws regarding drinking water and water quality, and it implements the state's water rights laws. It sets statewide water quality, drinking water, and water rights policy; hears appeals of local regional board water quality decisions; decides water rights disputes; and provides financial assistance to communities to upgrade water infrastructure. Before her appointment to the Water Board, she served in positions in government, the nonprofit world, and the private sector. In government, she served as the regional administrator of the US EPA Region IX in the Clinton administration where she worked extensively on a range of environmental issues, including Bay-Delta issues. Prior to that, she headed the Los Angeles Department of Public Works. In the nonprofit world, she was the western director for the Natural Resources Defense Council and was the executive VP/COO of the Trust for Public Land. She also was a private and nonprofit sector attorney in Los Angeles. She is also currently an Obama appointee to the Commission on Environmental Cooperation's Joint Public Advisory Council (US, Mexico, Canada) and was previously a Schwarzenegger appointee to the Delta Stewardship Council. She earned her JD from New York University and her AB cum laude from Harvard College in East Asian studies. She is admitted to the California bar.

Cannon Michael is the president and CEO of Bowles Farming Company. He is the sixth generation of his family to work in the family farming business. A graduate of the University of California at Berkeley, he joined the company in 1998. He became president and CEO in 2014 after his uncle Philip Bowles retired. He is an advocate for California agriculture and intelligent water policy. Environmental stewardship, ethical treatment of workers, and sustainable production are core values for him and the Bowles Farming Company team. The farm grows more than 20 crops and employs both conventional and organic farming practices. He is active and engaged in California water and agriculture issues. He serves as chairman of the San Luis and Delta Mendota Water Authority, a director on the Water Education Foundation Board, a director on the San Luis Canal Company Board, a director on the Henry Miller

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Reclamation District Board, president of the San Luis Resource Conservation District Board, a director for the Center for Land Based Learning, an advisory board member for UC Davis Agricultural Sustainability Institute (ASI), advisor to the technology startup companies Terravion and WaterBit, a director for the Family Farm Alliance, treasurer for the Exchange Contractors PAC, a director of the Cotton Incorporated Board, and director and past chairman of the California Cotton Growers Association. He was also appointed by Governor Brown to the Merced County Designated Local Authority, a governing board responsible for winding down the affairs of dissolved local redevelopment agencies in Merced and Los Banos.

Jeffrey Mount is a senior fellow at the PPIC Water Policy Center. He is an emeritus professor at UC Davis in the Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences and founding director of the Center for Watershed Sciences. A geomorphologist who specializes in the study of rivers, streams, and wetlands, his research focuses on integrated water resource management, flood management, and improving aquatic ecosystem health. He has served on many state and federal boards and commissions that address water resource management issues in the West. He has published more than a hundred articles, books, and other publications, including the seminal book *California Rivers and Streams* (UC Press). He holds a PhD and MS in earth sciences from the University of California, Santa Cruz.

Tim Ramirez was appointed by the governor in 2012 to serve as a member of the Central Valley Flood Protection Board. He also works for the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission as the manager of the Natural Resources and Lands Management Division. Previously, he spent six years working as the assistant secretary for water policy and science at the California Resources Agency and as the senior policy advisor and deputy director for ecosystem restoration at the California Bay-Delta Authority. His responsibilities included serving as the state coordinator for the CALFED Bay-Delta program, and he focused on river systems and the intersection of water supply, ecosystem restoration, water quality, flood protection, and agricultural issues. Previously, he directed the Tuolumne River Preservation Trust's Central Valley program. He earned an MS in civil and environmental engineering and an MA in urban planning from the University of California, Los Angeles, and he completed his graduate work at the University of California, Berkeley.