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State Water Board appointee Sean Maguire re-confirmed by State Senate

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Following the June 18 recommendation by the Senate Rules Committee, the State Senate yesterday unanimously reconfirmed Sean Maguire as a member of the State Water Resources Control Board.

The five-member State Water Board provides comprehensive protection for California's waters. Its 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.

"It is an honor to continue serving California at this critical time as we work to provide safe drinking water for all Californians, care for our environment in new ways, and help ensure reliable water resources for our vibrant economy and vulnerable communities," Maguire said. "This is no small list of tasks, but they are absolutely essential to our future success as a state."

Maguire fills the position of the civil engineer and lives in Sacramento. Maguire's term expires Jan. 15, 2024. This reappointment on Dec. 28, 2019, by Governor Gavin Newsom, follows his original appointment on Dec. 5, 2018 by Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr.

Maguire, who has had a diverse career in both public service and as an engineering consultant, provides valuable perspective on the administrative challenges facing a government agency and the needs of a broad array of water interests.

From 2015-2018, the Sacramento native worked for the State Water Board as a manager of the Storm Water Grant Program in the Division of Financial Assistance, and later as a manager in the Division of Water Rights, where he oversaw administration of water right change petitions, licensing and cannabis cultivation permitting. Prior to joining the Board, he worked for an engineering consulting firm serving a variety of municipalities and water agencies throughout the state, focusing on water resource planning, drinking water and wastewater infrastructure projects. Much of his work revolved around integrated water management and developing long-term water supply solutions to meet the needs of both water users and the environment.





Maguire has a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from California State University, Sacramento.

More information on board members is available on the [State Water Board](#) website.

Background on the State Water Boards

The [State Water Board](#) and the nine [Regional Boards](#) collectively known as the California Water Boards, are dedicated to a single vision: abundant clean water for human uses and environmental protection to sustain California's future. Under the federal Clean Water Act and the state's pioneering Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act, the state and regional water Boards have regulatory responsibility for protecting the water quality of nearly 1.6 million acres of lakes, 1.3 million acres of bays and estuaries, 211,000 miles of rivers and streams, and about 1,100 miles of exquisite California coastline.