

Summary of Accomplishments for Fiscal Year 25-26

Each year, the Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Coast Water Board) prepares a strategic plan that sets regional and program-specific priorities to guide our work towards achieving meaningful water quality, environmental, and public health outcomes that are aligned with our mission and vision. Attachment 1.a to the Central Coast Water Board's FY 26-27 Strategic Plan provides a summary of accomplishments achieved during Fiscal Year 25-26 related to our regional and program-specific priorities.

Workforce Planning and Development, Environmental Justice, and Climate Change

- Prioritized recruitment and retention of qualified, well-trained staff in all Central Coast Water Board programs.
- Conducted leadership training and provided professional development coaching opportunities to strengthen organizational culture and affirm organizational vision, mission, and values.
- Convened a supervisor subgroup to consider feedback from supervisors and prioritize management of workload and pace to promote accountability for achieving program priorities and implementing improved work-life balance.
- Continued to implement a staff-led Workforce Planning and Development Committee to consider feedback from staff, help the organization prioritize actions, and develop recommendations for implementation to ensure that staff have what they need to be successful and do their best work.
- Continued to implement a Mentorship Program that connects individual staff to provide support and share institutional, professional, and leadership knowledge.
- Prioritized field training opportunities for staff throughout the organization, providing hands-on learning experiences that strengthen technical skills, foster collaboration across programs, increase knowledge of physical watersheds and groundwater basins in the region, and enhance our ability to protect water quality and serve the public.
- Continued to implement a Technical Workgroups Program and Cross-Program Shadowing Opportunities Tracker to encourage and allow time for information transfer, cross-program learning, and provide opportunities for growth and professional development.
- Continued to implement the Environmental Justice (EJ) Leadership Team; Maintained staff expectations for EJ related knowledge, training, and development of effective public outreach plans; Provided EJ and tribal engagement resources; Implemented the EJ, Racial Equity and Tribal Engagement Action Plan and maintained the EJ Project Tracker to support cross-program coordination and provide transparency to the public and identify opportunities for community engagement.
- Continued to prioritize regulatory activities to address discharges of waste that impact sources of drinking water and to ensure that communities have access to safe drinking water.
- Continued to integrate climate change adaptation and resilience into our regulatory programs, planning, and partnerships to protect water quality, strengthen watershed health, and support resilient communities.

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Waste Discharge Requirements Program (WDR)

- Issued 19 permit notices of applicability and monitoring and reporting programs (MRP) throughout the 25/26 fiscal year.
- Performed 31 facility site inspections, issued over 130 notices of violation, four staff enforcement letters, and issued a time schedule order.
- Prioritized data management strategies to improve program efficiencies.
- Strengthened relationships with governmental agencies and project stakeholders by prioritizing coordination and collaboration with them and regularly checking in on projects that require additional input.
- Proactively addressed proposals for new unconsolidated community wastewater treatment projects and supported the development and oversight of recycled water, indirect potable reuse, and aquifer storage and recovery projects.
- Coordinated with dischargers to discuss strategies for compliance with salt and nutrient effluent limits and issued permits with clear requirements to protect groundwater resources.
- Hired three technical staff and provided opportunities for staff's continued professional education throughout the fiscal year.
- 100% of WDR staff participated in at least one program specific field event.
- State Water Board Program Performance Targets Achieved in FY 25-26:
 - Number of WDR facility inspections: 31
 - Number of individual orders adopted = 0

National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Program (NPDES)

- Renewed the Diablo Canyon Power Plant NPDES Permit.
- Renewed the South County Regional Wastewater Authority (SCRWA) Treatment and Reclamation Facility NPDES Permit.
- Prepared the Draft NPDES Permit for the Monterey One Water Regional Treatment Plant and Advanced Water Purification Facility and the California American Water Company Monterey Peninsula Water Supply Project Desalination Plant
- Ensured that all updated NPDES permits included language related to recycling and climate change, adaptation. During the permitting process, staff considered impacts to Underrepresented Communities.
- Developed and began implementing a strategy for removing receiving water limitations and replacing them with effluent limitations, prohibitions, special studies, monitoring and reporting, and reopener provisions.
- Developed and implemented new tools for improving and streamlining electronic self-monitoring report reviews.
- Coordinated with State Water Board and USEPA on targeted aspects of pretreatment program implementation.
- Achieved State Water Board performance targets for inspections.
- Hired one technical staff and provided opportunities for staff's continued professional education throughout the fiscal year.
- 100% of NPDES staff participated in at least one program specific field event.

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- State Water Board Program Performance Targets Achieved in FY 25-26:
 - Renew or terminate major facility permits = 2
 - Renew or terminate minor facility permits = 0
 - Major facility inspections = 10
 - Minor facility inspections = 4

Wastewater Consolidation Program (WWC)

- Issued a 6-month letter to the City of Soledad to provide a wastewater solution for Hacienda Apartments and provided 6-month extension. Conducted two listening sessions at Hacienda Apartments and one public meeting in Soledad to discuss the Hacienda Apartments Wastewater Consolidation project.
- Conducted median household income (MHI) surveys for Bear Creek Estates and Bolsa Knolls communities to evaluate status as a disadvantaged community (DAC).
- Coordinated with State Board Division of Financial Assistance to submit a construction grant application for the Chualar Wastewater Treatment Plant consolidation project.
- 100% of WWC staff participated in at least one program specific field event.

Recycled Water Program

- Completed Pure Water Monterey (PWM) expansion permitting.
- Worked closely with Morro Bay towards indirect potable reuse permitting, Soquel on their project startup, and startup of PWM's expansion.
- Supported non-potable projects SCRWA, Cal Poly, Soledad and City of San Luis Obispo.
- Completed SCRWA enrollment.
- Developed and maintained a recycled water project tracking tool that facilitates information exchange and alignment on priorities between the Central Coast Water Board and State Water Board Division of Drinking Water, including regular coordination meetings.
- Conducted compliance evaluation through inspections and issued notices of violation.
- Worked on statewide electronic data standardization efforts for recycled water.
- Conducted 10 field inspections.
- 100% of Recycled Water Program staff participated in at least one program specific field event.

Site Cleanup Program (SCP)

- San Luis Obispo County Regional Airport Area - Continued water treatment and long-term replacement water option. Negotiated 1-year extension of Voluntary Cleanup and Abatement Agreement.
- Moss Landing Power Plant, Moss Landing, Lithium-ion battery and electronics fire - Continued in advisory role to County of Monterey. Implemented two orders related to groundwater and watershed-scale investigations.
- PFAS investigations - Continued investigations at bulk fuel facilities and three airports.
- Buckley Road Area, San Luis Obispo County (TCE Cleanup and Abatement) - Completed a remedial investigation to inform options to decide remediation cleanup feasibility options.

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- Worked with City of Solvang staff to continue investigation into source(s) of perchlorate impacts in a City of Solvang supply well.
- Dutch Maid Cleaners, Santa Barbara (PCE) - Achieved implementation of full-scale remediation of commingled PCE plume from three former dry cleaners after years of challenges.
- Scotts Valley Dry Cleaners, Scotts Valley (PCE) - Approved continued operation of soil vapor extraction system to reduce waste mass in soil and leaching to groundwater.
- SEMCO, Santa Maria (Industrial solvent site with supply well impacts) - Implemented a negotiated settlement with three government agencies to perform additional investigation and remediation.
- Hired one technical staff and provided opportunities for staff's continued professional education throughout the fiscal year.
- 100% of SCP staff participated in at least one program specific field event.
- State Water Board Program Performance Targets Achieved in FY 25-26:
 - Number of sites new into active remediation = 4
 - Number of cases closed = 2

Department of Defense Program (DoD)

- Former Fort Ord
 - Completed reviews and evaluations of groundwater plume conditions and remediation progress throughout the year, including data presented in cleanup team meetings and quarterly/annual reports.
 - Reviewed and evaluated groundwater, soil gas, and landfill gas monitoring requirements in quality assurance project plans (QAPPs) submitted throughout the year.
 - Reevaluated potential vapor intrusion risk at Sites 2/12, reviewed data collected and plans for future data collection to ensure protection of building occupants and ensured protection of groundwater from migration of contaminants in soil vapor.
- Vandenberg Space Force Base
 - Closed one underground storage tank cleanup case (761-1 at WP005).
 - Onboarded new Air Force contractor, transferring site history and recommendations on investigation and remediation work.
 - Reviewed and evaluated data gap work plans for SD015 and SD019.
 - Reviewed and evaluated remediation progress based on Basewide Groundwater Monitoring Program and soil vapor rebound data for cases PL351, SD015, SD024, SS003, SS004, SS050, ST042, WP005, WP008, and WP013.
 - Reviewed and evaluated remediation progress and provided technical support for cases SA545, MY255, and SA217 contracted with the USACE/OTI E.
 - Provided technical support for finalization of the Remedial Action Completion Report for Basewide Munitions Response Areas.
- Former Lompoc U.S. Army Disciplinary Barracks
 - Supported development and finalization of Record of Decision for remedial actions.

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- Provided cross-program support to the Waste Discharge Requirements (WDR) Program to address rocket launch wastewater discharges.
 - Enrolled SpaceX launch wastewater discharge at SLC-4 in the General Waiver for Specific Types of Limited-Threat Discharges, including a site-specific Monitoring and Reporting Program adopted by the Central Coast Water Board.
- Provided cross-program support on military landfills for Land Disposal Program.
- Reviewed and evaluated PFAS investigation progress reports that were submitted for each facility.
- Prioritized investigation of areas proposed for redevelopment at military facilities to evaluate potential risks where there were known PFAS impacts but limited data.
- 100% of DoD staff participated in at least one program specific field event.

Underground Storage Tank Program (UST)

- Coordinated with State Water Board staff to receive assistance on several UST cases, including identifying and implementing strategies on stalled cases.
- Reviewed all single-walled underground storage tank reports. Follow-up to establish new cases.
- Evaluated developer proposals to initiate construction (often residential) on former UST cleanup sites, including requiring investigation where more information is needed.
- 100% of UST Program staff participated in at least one program specific field event.
- State Water Board Program Performance Target Achieved in FY 25-26:
 - Number of cases closed = 3

Land Disposal Program

- Conducted construction oversight at Johnson Canyon Landfill New Module Project (Monterey County), Monterey Peninsula Site Improvement Project (Monterey County), Cold Canyon Landfill Liner Project (San Luis Obispo County), Tajiguas Landfill Liner Project (Santa Barbara County), and Chevron Guadalupe Landfill Liner Project (San Luis Obispo County).
- Reviewed wet weather preparedness plans for landfills and composting facilities and conducted inspections to verify implementation.
- 100% of Land Disposal Program staff participated in at least one program specific field event.
- State Water Board Program Performance Target Achieved in FY 25-26:
 - Number of inspections = 53

Active Oilfields Program

- Cat Canyon Aquifer Exemption (Santa Barbara County) – Continued to evaluate Conduit Remediation and Monitoring Plans and alternative demonstrations for potential conduit wells in proposed Aquifer Exemption area.
- Lynch Canyon D Sand Aquifer Exemption application (Monterey County) - Completed initial review of proposal.

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- Continued oversight of six oil and gas related cleanup sites; one site is nearing closure.
- Arroyo Grande Oilfield (San Luis Obispo County) Cyclic Steam and Steam Flood UIC Project - Completed initial review of the Arroyo Grande project.
- Aera Energy Cyclic Steam UIC Project, San Ardo Oilfield (Monterey County) – Completed reviews of 25 individual area of review (AOR) submittals for proposed cyclic steam wells.
- Hired two technical staff and provided opportunities for staff's continued professional education throughout the fiscal year.
- 100% of Active Oilfields Program staff participated in at least one program specific field event.

Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification Program

- Issued 30 individual 401 certifications, 49 general order enrollments, and one individual WDR. The actions collectively reduced impacts and/or increased mitigation by over two acres.
- Conducted 29 inspections.
- Reviewed 130 annual reports.
- Conducted application completeness reviews within 10 days on average.
- Issued certifications within 12 days of receiving all supplemental application information on average.
- Prioritized oversight of the Pajaro River levee flood control project. Conducted report reviews and provided input during planning processes for various project components, including long term maintenance.
- Water quality certification for the Diablo Canyon Power Plant license renewal adopted by Board.
- Waste discharge requirements for the City of Paso Robles' vegetation management program for fire and flood risk reduction adopted by Board
- Made substantial progress on all three of the program's highest priority enforcement cases.
- Hired one technical staff and provided opportunities for staff's continued professional education throughout the fiscal year.
- 100% of 401 program staff participated in at least one program specific field event.
- State Water Board Program Performance Targets Achieved in FY 25-26:
 - Issue an initial regulatory action within 30 days of receipt of an individual 401 application: Application completeness reviews conducted within 10 days on average.
 - Issue a final action on an individual 401 application within 60 days of receipt of all supplemental application information: Certifications issued within 12 days of receiving all supplemental application information on average.
 - Tracking the number of active projects: 598
 - Tracking the total number of days between receipt of an individual 401 application and the final 401 certification issuance or denial: 125 days on average

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Stormwater Program

- Initiated development of geospatial tools to incorporate DAC layers for use in future program prioritization.
- Conducted audits of municipal stormwater programs, including execution of Total Maximum Daily Load implementation plans, to ensure compliance with pollutant discharge reduction requirements. One of the four audits was a TMDL audit.
- Continued progress related to enforcement efforts.
- Conducted outreach and planning for Central Coast Post-Construction Stormwater Requirements revisions.
- Hired two technical staff and provided opportunities for staff's continued professional education throughout the fiscal year.
- 100% of Stormwater Program staff participated in at least one program specific field event.
- State Water Board Program Performance Targets Achieved in FY 25-26:
 - Number of municipal stormwater program audits = 4
 - Number of construction stormwater inspections = 35
 - Number of industrial stormwater inspections = 20

Wildfire Resiliency Program

- Reviewed and responded to 102 wildfire resiliency project proposals.
- Provided comments on statewide utility general order.
- Participated on response coordination team for wildfire in Cuyama.
- Reviewed 100% of vegetation treatment project plans submittals.
- Reviewed 94% of projects proposed under the Governor's emergency proclamation to expedite fire fuels reductions.
- Completed Board adoption of waste discharge requirements for the City of Paso Robles' vegetation management program for fire and flood risk reduction program.
- Conducted 9 inspections of vegetation treatment projects.
- 100% of Wildfire Resiliency Program staff participated in at least one program specific field event.

Irrigated Lands Program (ILP)

- Coordinated with the third-party program through meetings; reviewed and conditionally approved monitoring plans/reports; improved sampling and data processes; supported growers with financial assistance and workshops.
- Provided one-on-one assistance to over 1,000 growers and technical assistance providers; held four multilingual workshops; shared Agricultural Order and program information with agencies;
- Responded to 49 public records act requests.
- Expanded the ILP Dashboard for grower reporting and water quality and developed a tutorial on the dashboard and groundwater quality for the Ag Expert Panel and the public.

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- Issued approximately 8,400 combined Spring and Fall Semi-Annual Ranch Summary Reports to improve compliance, and total nitrogen applied (TNA) / irrigation and nutrient management plan (INMP) Summary Reports to provide nitrogen application/discharge information compared to Agricultural Order targets and other ranches within the same groundwater basin.
- Issued Directive to Enroll (DTE) letters to 59 landowners (76 parcels) for failure to submit a report of waste discharge.
- Continued to conduct complaint follow-up; issued NOVs for reporting and well-sampling violations; conducted follow-up enforcement.
- Planned project to follow-up on multi-discharger complaints.
- Held workshops on SEMP reviews and operator entities.
- Developed grower and technical assistance provider (TAP) communication templates.
- Continued the public process to develop an alternate water supply program, including hosting two public workshops and releasing draft regulatory language for public comment.
- Continued the public process to develop Agricultural Order revisions responsive to all State Water Board remands and directives.
- Provided an annual implementation update to the Central Coast Water Board in December 2025.
- Completed GIS, Power BI, water quality, and leadership trainings.
- 80% of ILP staff participated in at least one program specific field event or accompanied Cannabis Program staff on cannabis site inspections.

Cannabis Regulatory Program

- Conducted four inspections of unenrolled sites and prioritized sites that have perennial or intermittent water bodies, disturbed area within riparian setbacks, or discharges that contain constituents with higher threat to water quality.
- Conducted inspection on one unenrolled site to evaluate compliance with a cleanup and abatement order.
- Coordinated aerial imagery analyses with State Water Board and California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) to identify additional unenrolled sites. Established a Water Board / CDFW ArcGIS Online aerial imagery data sharing group to improve coordination.
- Trained two new staff to Computer Vision Annotation Tool (CVAT) training Level 1.
- Participated in regular meetings with CDFW Regions 3, 4, and 5, as well as Santa Barbara County. Staff participated in joint CDFW/DCC/SWRCB case triage subgroup.
- Conducted 16 enrollment checks based on law enforcement inquiries.
- Issued 23 notices of violation to enrolled sites for missing annual reports.
- Inspected 13 enrolled sites and issued 10 notices of violations
- Prioritized enrolled sites designated as high risk due to disturbance within the riparian setback.
- Established tracking for high-risk sites. One site successfully conducted remedial actions to reclassify from high risk to low risk.

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- Conducted site visits for sites that have not implemented disturbed area stabilization. Of 13 enrolled sites, 5 high risk sites were inspected.
- Established Disturbed Area Stabilization Plan (DASP) monitoring report tracking and reviewed 2 new DASPs.
- Enrolled 14 new sites.
- Reviewed Site Management Plans.
- Followed up on issued notices of violation to ensure compliance: Six dischargers completed their Annual Monitoring Reports and three enrolled sites resolved required actions following site inspections.
- Established San Benito County working group for reviewing new cannabis enrollments.
- Conducted Beta testing for new Survey123 inspection report methodology with State Board Division of Water Quality.
- Updated Cannabis Program website.
- Hired one technical staff and provided opportunities for staff's continued professional education throughout the fiscal year.
- 100% of Cannabis Regulatory staff participated in at least one program specific field event.

Basin Planning Program

- Advanced the Basin Plan Amendment (BPA) project to incorporate Title 22 maximum contaminant levels (MCLs) and (MRDLs): Completed Project Report, completed CEQA scoping, conducted public outreach, began administrative record and prepared for Central Coast Water Board consideration.
- Finalized a Basin Plan amendments project that includes many editorial improvements for Central Coast Water Board consideration in August 2026.
- Participated in the statewide Tribal Beneficial Uses (TBU) working group, OPEETA tribal outreach activities, and state and federal level webinars. Reviewed draft TBU guidance prior to release for public comment.
- Drafted a Nomination Report for Point Sur Area of Special Biological Significance (ASBS) and conducted internal and external coordination needed for evaluation and next steps in the California Ocean Plan's nomination process.
- Onboarded the 2026 Sea Grant Fellow working on ASBS Project.
- 100% of Program staff participated in CCAMP and Grants Program field events.

Total Maximum Daily Load Program (TMDL)

- Completed TMDL Project for Santa Ynez Nitrogen Compounds; Obtained USEPA approval.
- Completed TMDL Project for toxicity and organophosphate pesticide additive toxicity in the lower Salinas River watershed; TMDL Project was approved by State Water Board, Office of Administrative Law, USEPA, and added to the Basin Plan.
- Advanced the TMDL Project for biostimulatory water quality impairments in the Elkhorn Slough watershed; Implemented scientific peer review process and initiated CEQA evaluation process.

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- Advanced the TMDL Project for neonicotinoid pesticides and associated aquatic toxicity impairments in the Santa Maria River watershed; Implemented scientific peer review process and initiated CEQA evaluation process.
- Obtained Executive Officer approval of discharger-proposed Nonpoint Source Pollution Plans for Gabilan Creek Turbidity TMDL Implementation.
- Participated in USEPA Water Quality Standards Training, USEPA National Data Quality and Assessment Training, and Integrated Report Decisions Training.
- Hired and onboarded two technical staff and provided opportunities for staff's continued professional education throughout the fiscal year.
- 100% of TMDL staff participated in at least one program specific field event.
- State Performance Targets met. All TMDL Projects remain under development.

Integrated Report Program

- In support of the development of the 2028 Integrated Report: Completed data organization, QAPP review, reference table review, and mapping tasks; completed evaluation guideline review and identified numeric translators for narrative objectives; and completed Lines of Evidence (LOE) reviews. Initiated decision making in accordance with State Water Board project schedule.
- Completed 2026 Integrated Report Map which is now available on GeoTracker and various program websites.
- Used 2026 Integrated Report to inform Grants Program priorities, including identification of new high quality water (San Carpoforo).
- Used 2026 Integrated Report to inform grant program priorities and identification of a USEPA success story for the Scott Creek Sediment Prevention Project.
- Onboarded new Integrated Report Program staff including field training field events such as ambient water sampling and field training on benthic community habitat.
- 100% of Integrated Report program staff participated in at least one program specific field event.

Grants Program and Nonpoint Source Programs

- Solicited grant projects in Pajaro and Salinas watersheds.
- Reviewed an NPS grant application to address in-lake and upstream sources contributing to Harmful Algal Blooms (HABs) in Pinto Lake (not selected for funding).
- Solicited a project to monitor microplastics at existing ILP monitoring sites and recommended management measures in the Salinas River watershed (not selected for funding).
- Solicited Monterey County Resource Conservation District Project: *Enhancing Source Control to Improve Water Quality in the Salinas River and Pajaro River Watersheds*. Project will implement practices on 70 small farms to reduce loading to groundwater. State Water Board approved project funding.
- Solicited California Marine Sanctuary Foundation project: *Implementing Vegetated Ditches and Management Practices for Water Quality Improvement in the Lower Salinas River Watershed*. State Water Board approved project funding.

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- Executed and managed a grant titled *Werner Lake Restoration and Water Quality Improvement Planning in the Elkhorn Slough* (D2515321).
- Developed a USEPA success story on Peninsula Open Space Trusts (POSTs) recently completed grant and the upcoming grant titled *Scott Creek Sediment Prevention Project Phase 2* to reduce sediment loading from rural roads (D2613310).
- Managed grant titled *Sediment Reductions for Improved Water Quality in Chorro and Los Osos Creeks in the Morro Bay Watershed* to implement practices and evaluate sediment load reductions to Creeks (D2113308).
- Submitted semi-annual progress reports and an annual report to USEPA summarizing ILP and Grant Program accomplishments.
- 100% of Grants Program staff participated in at least one program specific field event.

Central Coast Ambient Monitoring Program (CCAMP)

- Focused CCAMP implementation on long-term trend sites/key analytes (nutrients & solids).
- Completed monthly monitoring at 32 Coastal Confluence long-term trend sites (July 2025 - June 2026).
- Completed seasonal monitoring for three Pre-Holiday HAB Assessments at six high-use water bodies. Shared results and recommended advisories with water board staff, managers, and the public via the FHAB online mapping tool and notices.
- Successfully entered and submitted monthly CCAMP field data to State Board SWAMP-IQ staff for uploads to CEDEN for FY25-26 (July 2025 - May 2026, *June 2026 data planned submittal end of July/early August 2026)
- Provided opportunities for many Central Coast Water Board program staff and students to participate in cross-program field training and monitoring for CCAMP monthly coastal confluence creek and seasonal HABs monitoring.
- Coordinated with Grants and TMDL staff to secure 205(j) funds for CCAMP monitoring.
- Published 3 factsheets on pesticide monitoring.
- Collaborated with Central Coast Wetlands Group, Morro Bay National Estuary Program (MBNEP), and Stream Pollution Trends (SPoT) Monitoring Program to support field studies.
- Coordinated with Bay Foundation of Morro Bay to augment CCAMP endowment.
- Promoted cross-program coordination and shared information on CCAMP's SharePoint site, including program info, contacts, links to partner programs, monitoring maps, sampling calendars, factsheets, data-access guidance, & field-sampling videos.
- Compiled CEDEN data 2x/yr for CCAMP Data Navigator, including a modernized webpage with improved interactive charts, downloads, and groundwater data.
- Assisted with CCAMP data review & coordinated with Integrated Report on 2028 cycle decisions.
- Coordinated with partners to update all CCAMP station coordinates & alignment across CEDEN, Data Navigator, GeoWQA, GeoTracker, & other platforms.
- Increased public outreach and engagement.

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- Provided multiple CCAMP overview presentations to various partners and entities. Attended events to continue to increase collaboration between the Bay Foundation, MBNEP, and Water Board CCAMP team.
- As a regional monitoring program, 100% of CCAMP staff regularly participate in fieldwork across the region and also provide field training opportunities for program staff.

Central Coast Ambient Monitoring Program – Groundwater Assessment and Protection Program (CCAMP-GAP)

- Coordinated with the Bay Foundation to implement Central Coast Drinking Water Well Testing Program in Santa Cruz, Santa Barbara, and San Luis Obispo Counties, with an emphasis in DACs.
 - Coordinated with OPEETA to update outreach materials.
 - Coordinated with local partners to inform potential participants about program availability.
 - Initiated an update of the Central Coast Drinking Water Well Testing Program Quality Assurance Program Plan (QAPP) with an expanded list of analytes, including Al, Pb, gross alpha/beta, and PFAS/PFOA.
 - Tested 28 wells in Santa Barbara County.
 - Tested 228 wells in Santa Cruz County.
 - Managed groundwater quality data in GAMA GIS (data access instructions are available on request).
 - Tracked Supplemental Environmental Project (SEP) funding in coordination with Bay Foundation, including monthly check-in meetings, quarterly financial reporting, annual report, and additional communication as needed.
 - Coordinated with Enforcement Program to provide SEP fund status in the Annual Enforcement Update presented at the June 2026 Board Meeting.
- Collaborated with Community Water Center and Santa Cruz County Environmental Health to provide replacement drinking water to disadvantaged households with impacted wells.
- Initiated groundwater quality long-term trend monitoring program for the Corralitos–Pajaro Valley Subbasin (3-002.01). Met with Santa Cruz County and the Pajaro Valley WMA to confirm interest in this effort.
- Implemented project to provide Technical Assistance for Limited Resource and Socially Disadvantaged Growers to Conduct On-Farm Domestic Well Monitoring and Reporting. Supported 16 growers by analyzing samples from 17 on-farm wells; approximately \$11k (45%) of the original \$25k allocation remains.
- Coordinated with the Rose Foundation to implement the Central Coast Community-Based Water Quality Grants Program. Completed key deliverables, launched mini-grants, advanced grantee oversight, and gathered interim and final reports. Most projects progressed toward completion with continued monitoring and support.
- Provided CCAMP-GAP program update as part of the April 2026 EJ update.
- Developed a CCAMP-GAP onboarding guide and reference toolbox for inclusion in the Central Coast Water Board onboarding toolbox and SharePoint to help new staff learn about groundwater basins and relevant water quality issues.

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Enforcement Program

- Coordinated with regulatory programs to prioritize enforcement actions aligning with the Central Coast Water Board's region-specific enforcement priorities, including enforcement actions to address violations that impact water quality in underrepresented communities, violations that pose a significant threat to human health, including impacts to drinking water supplies, and to the environment, and violations involving recalcitrant dischargers realizing a significant economic benefit and/or competitive economic advantage over compliant members of the regulated public;
- Issued notices of violation; Issued Administrative Civil Liability (ACL) orders; Issued Expedited Payment Program Letters (EPL); Issued Settlement Proposals for Mandatory Minimum Penalties);
- Prioritized enforcement of Irrigated Lands Program violations and other program violations that met two or more general Enforcement Program priorities;
- Engaged in cooperative intra- and inter-agency coordination with the California Attorney General's Office, local county District Attorney's offices, CalEPA, and USEPA;
- Facilitated projects to advance environmental justice racial equity, and water equity in underrepresented communities as well as projects aligned with climate change priorities.
- State Water Board Program Performance Targets Achieved in FY 25-26:
 - Number of Mandatory Minimum Penalties (MMPs) with Enforcement action imposed within 18 months from the date of violation = 29
 - Number of Class A Priority Violations with formal enforcement or an Investigative Order pursuant to Water Code section 13267 within 18 months of discovery = 1

Administrative Program

- Continued to evaluate Administrative Program priorities, identify program resources to improve transparency and organizational efficiency. Implemented many program improvements through procedure development or procedure updates.
- Managed business operations and services (e.g., correspondence, travel, training, budgets, contracts, procurement, fleet vehicles, coordination of information technology equipment and services)
- Completed personnel actions related to staff recruitment, hiring, onboarding, and separation.
- Coordinated with State Water Board to address facility maintenance and property management issues, including assessments and improvements to building air quality.
- Finalized the Building Emergency Plan, completing a comprehensive update of the previous plan with guidance from State Board Health & Safety Branch. Scheduled building emergency drill.
- Provided staff training on health & safety requirements and procedures, including the Injury Illness and Prevention Program (IIPP), updated building evacuation maps, and seasonally relevant quarterly training.
- Responded to approximately 210 public records act requests for information.
- Conducted six Central Coast Water Board Meetings, including two Board Meeting field trips.