

## John W. Collins

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## Education

California Polytechnic State University (Cal Poly), San Luis Obispo, CA.  
Degree: Soil Science/Land Resource Management  
Date of Graduation: December 1996

## Summary of Experience

Office of the Delta Watermaster, Sacramento, 2010-Present

- \*Conducting investigations of Reclamation Districts and associated water rights within the Legal Delta
- \*Watershed evaluation of the legal delta pertaining to riparian/pre-1914 water rights
- \*Developed an interactive website of water rights in the legal delta for the Office of the Delta Watermaster
- \*Conduct inspections of islands to verify existing water rights on delta islands
- \*Conducted a complaint investigation in the North Delta Region to verify water rights for all parties involved
- \*Participating in multiple agency meetings regarding delta flows for improved fish flows and improved water quality
- \*Mentoring junior staff in conducting investigations and reviewing written reports from junior staff
- \*Working with representatives from the North, Central, & South Delta to evaluate water rights in selected areas
- \*Assisting in the management of data collection and data use for delta islands in the legal delta
- \*Assisting in training junior staff in field inspections and the associated written reports
- \*Working with the Division of Water Rights to comply Statements of Water Diversion and Use for the legal delta
- \*Participated in Budget Process/Change Proposal and Contract Training Classes
- \*Possibility of working with the Division of Water Rights for the 2014 water transfers

Division of Water Rights, Sacramento, 2007-2010

- \*Conducting reservoir inspections in the Russian River
- \*Utilizing GPS equipment in the collection of data during field inspections
- \*Preparing technical reports regarding field inspections
- \*Utilizing GIS systems as supplemental information for technical reports
- \*Assigned projects to determine if illegal diversions were occurring on two specific islands
- \*Prepared Cease and Desist Order regarding California American Water Company
- \*Participated in a Board Hearing regarding an enforcement action against California American Water Company
- \*Assisted in setting up telemetry sites to record stream flow on the North Coast

California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Sacramento, 2000-2007

- \* Conducting Glenn County Dairy Inventory with Level A Inspections
- \* Writing Drainage Basin Reports for Glenn County
- \* Detailed analysis of new dairy construction site plans and Nutrient Management Plans
- \* Reviewing EIR's or Mitigated Negative Declarations for new dairies in the Central Valley
- \* GIS training for detailed maps of Glenn County for reports and office use
- \* Writing Cleanup and Abatement Orders for dairy discharges in the Central Valley
- \* Involved in Watershed Studies in Glenn, San Joaquin, and Stanislaus Counties
- \*Working with the Attorney Task Force for enforcement on dairies that discharged into State Waters
- \*Interfacing with Turlock Irrigation District and Modesto Irrigation District on water quality issues
- \*Interfacing with the public for complaints on dairies in the Central Valley

Natural Resources Conservation Service, Modesto Field Office, 1998-2000

- \*Assist in the development of Conservation Plans for landowners using NRCS format
- \*Conduct inventory and evaluation of resource problems in Stanislaus County
- \*Prepared detailed accounting system for Environmental Quality Incentives Program
- \*Wetland determination, investigation, and inspection for local landowners
- \*Developed comprehensive WHIP Plans for local conservation district participants
- \*Provided technical assistance regarding Dairy Waste Management Practices
- \*Provided technical assistance in sediment reduction for landowners
- \*Managed Air Quality Program for Stanislaus County
- \*Development of comprehensive conservation plans for Floodplain Easement Program

Dixon Resource Conservation District, Dixon, CA. 1997-1998

- \*Implement Drainage System Maintenance Annual Plan
- \*Conduct Tours of Drainage System to Review Maintenance Needs
- \*Assist Land Users to Reduce Sedimentation in District Drainage System
- \*Prepare a Monitoring Plan for Water Discharge into Drainage System
- \*Update District Water Quality Standards for District Drainage System
- \*Assist in Update of District Long Range Plan
- \*Review and Update Agreements with Cooperating Agencies
- \*Review and Comment on Environmental Impact Reports for Dixon RCD

## Honors/Activities

- \*Member of Athens-Silveyville F & AM, Lodge 201, Davis, California
- \*Member of Soil and Water Conservation Society
- \*Member of United States Golf Association
- \*Member of Northern California Golf Association

## References

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