



**Joint Informational Hearing
Assembly Agriculture Committee and
Assembly Water, Parks, and Wildlife Committee**

Groundwater Recharge

**September 17, 2024
10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Merced County Board of Supervisors Building**

Welcome and Opening Remarks

- a) Esmeralda Soria – Chair, Assembly Agriculture Committee
- b) Diane Papan – Chair, Assembly Water, Parks, and Wildlife Committee

Panel 1: Overview and Future Plans

- a) Josué Medellín-Azuara – Professor, Civil and Environmental Engineering - UC Merced
- b) Department of Water Resources:
 - i) Tim Godwin – Technical & Policy Advisor to the Deputy Director for Sustainable Water Management
 - ii) Ajay Goyal – Manager, Department of Water Resource’s Statewide Infrastructure Investigations Branch
- c) California State Water Board:
 - i) Erik Ekdahl – Deputy Director of Division of Water Rights
 - ii) Tina Cannon – Leahy Supervising Attorney, Office of Chief Counsel
- d) Stephanie Dietz – Board Member, Merced Irrigation District

Panel 2: Farmers and Community organization

- a) Elijah Greidanus – CALF TECH – Fresno and Tulare
- b) Jennifer Peters – Markarian Family LP – Madera
- c) Vicky Garcia-Moya – Eco Family Farms – Chowchilla
- d) Michael Claiborne – Directing Attorney, Leadership Council for Justice and Accountability – Fresno

Public Comment – 2 minutes per speaker

Closing Remarks