

REGIONAL BOARDS/AGENCIES DESCRIPTIONS

METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (MWD)

The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California is a state-established cooperative and regional wholesaler that delivers water to 26 member public agencies – 14 cities, 11 municipal water districts, one county water authority – which in turn provides water to more than 19 million people in Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, and Ventura counties. The district imports water from the Colorado River and Northern California to supplement local supplies and helps its members develop increased water conservation, recycling, storage, and other resource-management programs.

Membership: Council Member or resident
Compensation: Reimbursement for mileage, conference registration, lodging
Term Limits: None
Meeting Location: MWD Headquarters Building, 700 N. Alameda Street, Los Angeles
Meeting Date/Time: Monthly, 2nd Tuesday of each month at 12:30 P.M., Committee meetings on 2nd Monday and 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month
Alternate: None

NEWPORT BAY WATERSHED EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Newport Bay Watershed Executive Committee (Executive Committee) is the successor to the Upper Newport Bay Sediment Control Executive Committee established through a cooperative agreement in the early 1980s. The Executive Committee was formed by amendment of the cooperative agreement in 1999, and now includes in its interests the impairments of Newport Bay caused by nutrients, toxins, and pathogens in addition to sediment, as well as related environmental enhancements. Members of the Executive Committee are elected, appointed, or executive level managers, with one member from each of the signatories to the agreement (The County member, however, represents both the County and the Orange County Flood Control District). The Executive Committee provides strategic direction for environmental enhancement programs in the watershed, advocacy of these programs to the elected/appointed boards of the member organizations, and a forum for discussion of watershed environmental issues.

Membership: Council Member or executive level manager
Compensation: None
Term Limits: None
Meeting Location: Irvine Ranch Water District, 15600 Sand Canyon Ave, Irvine
Meeting Date/Time: Biannually (March & September), 3rd Wednesday at 1:30-3:30 P.M.
Alternate: None

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ORANGE COUNTY HOUSING FINANCE TRUST (OCHFT)

The Orange County Housing Finance Trust (OCHFT) was formed in 2019 as a joint powers authority between the County of Orange and the cities throughout the county. OCHFT was created for the purpose of funding housing specifically assisting the homeless population and person and families of extremely low, very low, and low income within the County of Orange. Term of office for members of the Board of Directors shall be for two (2) years.

Membership: Council Member
Compensation: None
Term Limits: 2-year term
Meeting Location: County Administration North – Multi-Purpose Room,
400 W. Civic Center Drive, Santa Ana
Meeting Date/Time: Once every two months, 3rd Wednesday of each month at 10:00 A.M.
Alternate: None

ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY (OCFA)

The Orange County Fire Authority Board of Directors has 25 members and sets policy according to its adopted Rules of Procedures. Twenty-three (23) of the members represent partner cities, and two (2) members represent unincorporated areas in the county. A board member is appointed by the majority of the City Council and selection must be authorized by resolution.

Membership: Council Member
Compensation: \$100 per meeting, maximum \$300 per month
Term Limits: None
Meeting Location: OCFA Regional Fire Operations and Training Center,
1 Fire Authority Road, Irvine
Meeting Date/Time: Monthly, 4th Thursday of each month at 6:00 P.M.
Alternate: None

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ORANGE COUNTY MOSQUITO AND VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT (OCMVCD)

The Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control Board is an independent special district dedicated to controlling rats, mosquitoes, and other disease carrying and public health pests. Activities also include surveillance of vectors and vector-borne diseases, public education services, identification of public health pests, and specific powers as outlined in the California Health and Safety Code. Each Trustee is appointed by the city they represent to serve a two or four-year term, and may only be removed for cause.

Membership: Council Member or resident
Compensation: \$100/per meeting (in lieu of expenses)
Term Limits: None; member serves a two or four year term, at discretion of Council
Meeting Location: Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District Headquarters, 13001 Garden Grove Blvd, Garden Grove, CA 92843
Meeting Date/Time: 3rd Thursday of each month at 3:00 P.M.
Alternate: None

ORANGE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT (OC San)

The Orange County Sanitation District is a wastewater treatment facility that serves Orange County, California, consisting of two operating plants, referred to as Plant No. 1 located in Fountain Valley and Plant No. 2 located in Huntington Beach. It is the third largest wastewater treatment facility west of the Mississippi River. For over 50 years, OC SAN has safely collected, treated, and disposed of and/or reclaimed the wastewater generated by 2.5 million people living and working in central and northwestern Orange County. OC San and the Orange County Water District were awarded the Stockholm Industry Water Award in 2008 for pioneering work to develop with Trojan Technologies the Groundwater Replenishment System, the world's largest water purification plant for groundwater recharge. The mission of OC San is to protect public health and the environment by providing effective wastewater collection, treatment, and recycling.

Membership: Council Member
Compensation: \$315 per meeting, plus mileage; maximum of six (6) meetings per month (*increase to \$315 effective January 1, 2025*)
Term Limits: None
Meeting Location: OC San Administrative Office, 18480 Bandilier Cir, Fountain Valley, CA 92708
Meeting Date/Time: Monthly, 4th Wednesday of each month at 6:00 P.M. (November and December meetings usually moved to 3rd Wednesday of the month due to holidays)
Alternate: Yes

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ORANGE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT (OCWD), DIVISION 8

The Orange County Water District manages, replenishes, and protects the Orange County Groundwater Basin – Orange County’s largest source of drinking water. The 270-square-mile basin provides approximately 75% of the water supply to more than 2.5 million residents in north and central Orange County.

A 10-member board of directors governs the District and implements policies that foster sound management of the basin, as well as support the advancement of OCWD’s mission to provide an adequate, reliable, high-quality water supply at the lowest reasonable cost in an environmentally responsible manner. Seven (7) board members are elected and three (3) are appointed by the Anaheim, Fullerton, and Santa Ana city councils.

Membership: Council Member or resident
Compensation: \$330.75 per meeting, maximum of 10 meetings
Term Limits: 4-year term
Meeting Location: Orange County Water District, 18700 Ward Street, Fountain Valley
Meeting Date/Time: Twice per month, 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month at 5:30 P.M.
Alternate: None

SANTA ANA RIVER FLOOD PROTECTION AGENCY (SARFPA)

The SARFPA was formed on November 25, 1974 to support the Santa Ana River Mainstream Project. As a joint powers agency, SARFPA’s primary function is to seek congressional authorization and appropriations for the Santa Ana River Mainstream Project. The agency provides Orange County residents with information on the Santa Ana River flood threat and supports, on their behalf, the need for flood control improvements.

Membership: Council Member
Compensation: None
Term Limits: None
Meeting Location: Orange County Water District, 18700 Ward Street, Fountain Valley
[and recently by Zoom]
Meeting Date/Time: 4th Thursday of each odd month at 4:00 P.M.
Alternate: Yes

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SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS (SCAG), DISTRICT 16

SCAG is an association representing six (6) counties (Imperial, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, and Ventura) that works to develop regional plans for transportation, growth management, housing development, air quality, and other issues of regional significance. SCAG's 86 Regional Council Members have the key responsibility for representing the Southern California region on issues such as transportation investments, growth strategies, and the allocation of future housing needs. Regional Council Members have an important voice in short and long-term planning and greater influence in legislation and access to the knowledge and insight provided on ongoing activities affecting your constituency throughout the state.

Membership: Council Member
Compensation: \$150 per diem stipend for attendance at SCAG-clerked meetings or SCAG-sponsored events or other authorized SCAG business activities; and maximum of six (6) per diem stipends per month for SCAG-non-clerked meetings; mileage reimbursement or public transit expenses
Term Limits: 2-year term, no maximum
Meeting Location: SCAG Main Office, 900 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 1700, Los Angeles, CA 90017
Meeting Date/Time: Monthly, 1st Thursday of each month; 12:15 P.M. – 2:00 P.M.
Alternate: No

ORANGE COUNTY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (OCCOG)

OCCOG serves as a forum for the consideration, study, and recommendation to member entities on a range of area-wide and regional issues including transportation, housing, livable communities, exploring practical avenues for intergovernmental cooperation, and coordination. OCCOG is also responsible for adopting Orange County's demographic projections for population, employment, and housing. OCCOG representatives also serve on SCAG committees and Regional Council to make sure Orange County's voice is heard when regional policy-making takes place. OCCOG is governed by an 18-member Board of Directors. As the subregional planning agency for Orange County, OCCOG is also responsible for conducting the elections for SCAG representatives for Orange County and selects Orange County's 12 SCAG committee representatives.

Membership: Must be the same as SCAG representative
Compensation: \$100/per meeting
Term Limits: None
Meeting Location: TCA Office, 125 Pacifica, Board Room, Irvine, CA 92618 [and recently by Zoom, if requested 72 hours in advance]
Meeting Date/Time: Monthly, 4th Thursday of each month; 10:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.
Alternate: Yes

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TRANSPORTATION CORRIDOR AGENCIES (TCA) – FOOTHILL/EASTERN

The Transportation Corridor Agencies are a Joint Powers Authority formed in 1986 to design, finance, construct, and operate the three Orange County toll roads (241, 261, and 133) which link the Riverside (SR-91) Freeway near the Orange/Riverside County border to I-5 in Irvine and to communities in south Orange County. As the region's population increases and the economy grows, the TCA is looking at ways to ensure that The Toll Roads remain a valuable, congestion-free alternative to local freeways.

Membership: Council Member
Compensation: \$120 per meeting, plus mileage reimbursement based on travel from City Hall
Term Limits: None
Meeting Location: TCA Office, 125 Pacifica, Board Room, Irvine, CA 92618
Meeting Date/Time: Monthly, 2nd Thursday of each month at 9:30 A.M.
Alternate: Yes