

# SANTA MARGARITA Groundwater Agency

## Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency Application Form for Private Well Representative

The Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency (SMGA) is the Groundwater Sustainability Agency, which is being established to oversee the development and implementation of a groundwater management plan for the Santa Margarita Groundwater Basin. The governing Board of the SMGA will be composed of 11 members:

- Two directors from each of the member agencies (Scotts Valley Water District, San Lorenzo Valley Water District, and County of Santa Cruz), each of whom are appointed by their respective elective bodies.
- One director each from the City of Scotts Valley, the City of Santa Cruz, and Mount Hermon Association
- Two public private well representatives, that are private well owners or a representative of small water system, farm or business served by a non-municipal well. The public directors may be selected by a group of interested well owners or in the absence of such a process would be selected by the rest of the Board.

The SMGA Board members will oversee and direct the following efforts:

1. Facilitate development and implementation of a Groundwater Sustainability Plan for the Santa Margarita Groundwater Basin, as required by the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act of 2014.
2. Review data and coordinate groundwater pumping to the extent possible to meet demand and avoid exacerbating undesirable impacts.
3. Undertake ongoing and comprehensive efforts to collect, maintain, and share groundwater data with respect to water levels and quality.
4. Undertake cooperative research and resource management initiatives that are regional in scope and disseminate information resulting from these activities.
5. Recommend joint efforts to the respective governing bodies which are of regional benefit, e.g. conjunctive use, recharge within shared portions of the basin, etc.
6. Jointly pursue groundwater management grants or studies, such as planning or project grants available from the State under Proposition 1, and hydrological modeling and studies undertaken by United States Geological Survey.
7. Board members are expected to communicate with their constituencies and represent the viewpoints and concerns of the constituencies that they represent.

**The committee is seeking to fill three public member openings, two regular members and an alternate. The time commitment is expected to be 5 hours/month.**

**Applications are due by 5PM on Wednesday, June 30, 2017**

**Those interested in an immediate temporary position should apply by 8AM June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

Please direct questions and submit applications to John Ricker, County of Santa Cruz Water Resource Division Director by email: [john.ricker@santacruzcounty.us](mailto:john.ricker@santacruzcounty.us) or deliver to County of Santa Cruz Environmental Health, 701 Ocean st room 312, Santa Cruz, CA 95060.

## Applicant Information:

First Name: Angela	Last Name: Franklin	
Address:		
City: Scotts Valley	Zip Code:95066	
Phone:		
Email Address:		
Current or Past Profession: Senior IT Engineer		
Community Interests and Activities: Interested in the development and sustainability of the city of Scotts Valley. I enjoy hiking, scuba, camping, Art+Wine Festivals and other community events. I am an active member of the General Plan Advisory Committee and interest helping sustain our water resource in the valley.		
Do you own, manage, or are served by a private well, small water system, or mutual?		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, I receive all my water from a municipal water supply.		
<b>If you answered no, to the above question, you are not eligible to apply. The openings on the Board are for private well representation.</b>		
What type of private well configuration best describes you as a groundwater supply user: (Check all that apply)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Private well for domestic use (single family home)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shared private well for domestic use (4 or less homes)	<input type="checkbox"/> Mutual Private well (small water system with 5-14 connections)  Name of Mutual water company:
<input type="checkbox"/> Mutual private well (small water system with 15-199 connections) Name of mutual water company:	<input type="checkbox"/> Private Well for Business, Recreation, institution, or industrial Please describe:	<input type="checkbox"/> Private well for agricultural use  Please describe:
<input type="checkbox"/> Other	Is your well used for irrigation? If yes, please indicate how many acres (estimated) that you irrigate.	

Please describe:	
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**Applicant Information (continued):**

Reason for applying:

I am a private well owner and would like to express my interest in representing private well owners for the SMGWA. I am a 16 year resident of the Scotts Valley area and raise a family here. I have a good understanding of watersheds, aquifers and geology. I also feel it is everyone’s responsibility to help maintain a healthy aquifer for future generations. Even though well owners use a very small percentage of the water from our area we are still responsible for helping maintain and replenish it. I have excellent listening, collaborative and mediation skills that would be helpful during this challenging process.

I attempt to be an active participant in Scotts Valley Community events, am a member of the General Plan Advisory Committee and keep abreast to the goings on of our community.

My professional background is in no way related to water resources but I have a back ground in engineering and geology which I think will be helpful. I work collaboratively on a regular basis with cross functional teams with diverse members from all over the globe.

I plan to continue my residence in Scotts Valley for the long term and am passionate about helping with such an effort to help manage, maintain, protect and sustain our vital resources. I would be proud to represent my fellow private well owners.

