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David Orth, of Clovis, is principal of David Orth Consulting, which offers strategic planning, program implementation and water resource development services with an emphasis on sustainable groundwater management. Orth serves as the Executive Officer of North Friant Authority, a joint powers authority formed in August 2015 to collectively manage certain activities common among its member agencies. He served as general manager of the Kings River Conservation District from 2002 until August of 2015. From 2000 to 2002 he was vice president of resource management at California Valley Land Company Inc. and held the director of finance and then general manager positions at Westlands Water District from 1986 to 2000. Mr. Orth was deputy treasurer and principal accountant at the Fresno County Auditor-Controller and Treasurer's Office from 1982 to 1986.



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The California Water Commission consists of nine members appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the State Senate. Seven members are chosen for their general expertise related to the control, storage, and beneficial use of water and two are chosen for their knowledge of the environment. The Commission provides a public forum for discussing water issues, advises the Department of Water Resources (DWR), and takes appropriate statutory actions to further the development of policies that support integrated and sustainable water resource management and a healthy environment. Statutory duties include advising DWR's director, approving rules and regulations, and monitoring and reporting on the construction and operation of the State Water Project. For more information visit: www.cwc.ca.gov

Some of the Commission's recent activities and achievements are highlighted below:

Departmental Activities and Regulations

- Adopted final regulations for Agricultural Water Measurement and exclusion of Industrial Process Water from gross urban water use, supporting implementation of SBX7-7, part of the State's legislative water package enacted in 2009.
- Actively participated in the development and review of California Water Plan Update 2013 process, and supported funding and resources for the development of future California Water Plan updates.

State Water Project (SWP)

- Urged action to address the serious employee recruitment and retention crisis threatening the safety and reliability of the SWP and encouraged the administration to find a solution, leading to a salary increase for critical trades and crafts workers.

Funding

- Urged passage of the federal Water Resources Development Act in 2013 to preserve critical water infrastructure, provide critical flood protection, fund innovation in water management, and protect ecosystems and habitat.
- Advocated for strategic investment in water projects that provide multiple benefits.

Water Storage

- Developed *Description and Screening of Potential Tools and Methods to Quantify Public Benefits of Water Storage Projects* report.
- Developed draft regulations and guidelines for the Quantification and Management of Public Benefits of Water Storage Projects and initiated an informal public review period.
- Held public workshops and meetings on future water storage in California, and the public benefits of water storage projects.
- Following the passage of Proposition 1, began development of the *Water Storage Investment Program*. Through this program, the Commission will allocate \$2.7 Billion to the public benefits of water storage projects.

Management and Administration

- Developed the Commission's first Strategic Plan, available at: <https://cwc.ca.gov/Pages/StrategicPlan.aspx>