

WRAC Membership Vision – for At-Large Members

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WRAC bylaws state: Agricultural At-Large member – engaged in production agriculture

- Combined with Farm Bureau member, the agricultural members and alternates should ideally represent the current major agricultural sectors (cattle, wine grapes, and row crops/orchards) in SLO County.

WRAC bylaws state: Environmental At-Large member – record of membership in one or more environmental groups and/or independent environmental activism.

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- Both inland and coastal water resources should be represented.
- Coastal representative would ideally live in the coastal area, have knowledge of creeks, streams, and watersheds, and be engaged in coastal environmental issues.

WRAC bylaws state: Development At-Large member – engaged in the building or construction industry. Preference given to applicants that have written support from one or more organizations that represent the home or commercial building industry.

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Most important attributes for at-large members:

- Expertise in the area they are representing is essential.
- High level of interest in water issues is essential.
- Interest in being very involved in the WRAC is essential, even with water issues outside their home area.
- Technical/scientific background is preferable.
- Must speak for, and be in communication with, agriculturalists, environmentalists, or people in the building/construction industry, not for a specific organization. (At-large representatives must be able to make statements without seeking prior approval from an organization.)

Other factors:

- History of volunteerism and/or previous service on advisory bodies
- Letters of recommendation from local agricultural/environmental/building industry groups, as appropriate

We propose that the positions be advertised via the five Supervisors. In addition, notices should be sent to interested organizations, for example:

- California Association of Winegrape Growers (CAWG)
- California Polytechnic State University
- Central Coast Salmon Enhancement
- Central Coast Vineyard Team (CCVT)
- Central Coast Winegrowers Association
- Coastal San Luis Resource Conservation District
- Environmental Center of San Luis Obispo County (ECOSLO)
- Home Builders Association
- Independent Grape Growers of the Paso Robles Area (IGGPRA)
- Marine Interests Group
- Morro Bay National Estuary Program (MBNEP)
- Paso Robles Wine Country Alliance (PRWCA)
- Port San Luis Harbor District
- San Luis Obispo County Cattlemen's Association
- San Luis Obispo County Farm Bureau
- San Luis Obispo Vintners Association (SLOVA)
- Sierra Club
- SLO County Builders Exchange
- SLO GreenBuild
- Surfrider Foundation
- Upper Salinas-Las Tablas Resource Conservation District

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