

Speaker Biography

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Judy Arnold, Marin County Supervisor, District 5 Judy's background begins with her upbringing in Kansas City, KS. Judy attended Goucher College in Baltimore, MD for two years and graduated from the University of Kansas with a degree in International Relations. She then worked for the Peace Corps in Washington D.C. when Sargent Shriver was its head and John Kennedy was President. When Judy came to Marin in 1966, she knew this was where she wanted to be. Judy has lived in Novato since 1996 and can't imagine living anywhere else. Member, Transportation Sales Tax Expenditure Plan Development Community Advisory Committee (for passage of Measure A).



Steven Moore, Vice Chair, CA Water Board Appointed to the board by Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. in 2012, reappointed in 2016, and elected as Vice Chair of the Board in 2017. He previously served on the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Board from 2008-2012 under the Brown and Schwarzenegger administrations and held staff positions at that Regional Water Board at various times between 1992 and 2006. Between 1989 and 2012, Mr. Moore worked over 10 years as an engineer and consultant on a wide variety of water infrastructure projects, including sewer reconstruction, recycled water, stormwater, water supply, stream and wetland restoration, and Environmental Impact Reports throughout California. Mr. Moore has experience both obtaining and issuing discharge permits, wetland permits, and clean water grants and loans. He led Basin Planning for the Regional Water Board from 2002 to 2006.



Maureen Gaffney, Bay Trail Planner, The San Francisco Bay Trail Project Maureen Gaffney is a planner for the San Francisco Bay Trail Project, a planned 500-mile walking and cycling path around the entire San Francisco Bay. Maureen works on all things Bay Trail in San Francisco, Marin, Sonoma, Napa and Solano Counties.

Jessica Davenport, Project Manager, SF Bay Area Program, CA State Coastal Conservancy Jessica has 25 years of experience promoting collaborative environmental problem-solving, including 12 years focused on ecosystem restoration in the San Francisco Estuary. She currently serves as a project manager at the California State Coastal Conservancy, working to restore habitats, protect open space, and increase public access and recreation in the San Francisco Bay Area. Prior to joining the Conservancy, Jessica promoted ecosystem restoration, climate change adaptation, and wise land use at two other state agencies: the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission and the Delta Stewardship Council. While pursuing her masters degree in environmental science from the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies, she received a Switzer Foundation Fellowship to study lake management in China. She has also worked at environmental non-profits and a national lab promoting sustainable agriculture and energy efficiency around the world.



Nick Nguyen, Principal Project Delivery Manager, Transportation Authority of Marin He has over 25 years of public and private sector experience in civil engineering and business consulting. His current focus at TAM is working with Caltrans to deliver the Highway 101 Marin-Sonoma Narrows project, as well as conducting long range planning efforts for State Route 37. Prior to joining the Transportation Authority of Marin, he was the Public Works Director and City Engineer for various communities in California. He holds a Bachelor Degree in Civil Engineering from Cal Poly Pomona and a Master of Business Administration Degree from University of San Francisco, and has lived and worked in Marin since 2006.

Daryl Halls, Executive Director, Solano Transportation Authority Daryl Halls has served as the Executive Director for the Solano Transportation Authority (STA) since June of 1999. The STA is one of nine Congestion Management Agencies in the Bay Area and provides transportation planning for arterials, highways, freeways, ferry service, transit, rail, bicycle and pedestrians for Solano County. As Executive Director of the STA, he reports to an eight-member board and manages a staff of 20 full-time and 12 part-time staff that are divided in the departments of Planning, Projects and Programs. Daryl represents STA on the board of directors and executive committee for the Solano Economic Development Corporation (EDC), serves as one of three staff coordinators for Solano's City County Coordinating Council and for the past eight years has served as moderator for the Bay Area Congestion Management Agencies' Directors Group.



Damon Connolly, Marin County Supervisor, District 1, Metropolitan Transportation Commission Damon Connolly was sworn in January 6, 2015 as the District 1 Supervisor, representing San Rafael and its unincorporated neighborhoods. Through his seven years as City Council member for the City of San Rafael, Damon worked hard to sustain the city's vibrant local economy, protecting vital public services during the economic downturn, and balancing the budget. He made City Hall more responsive to the needs of San Rafael's neighborhoods, helped expand transportation options for local residents, and worked to reduce San Rafael's contribution to climate change. Damon was a member of the Marin Clean Energy Board of Directors, serving since the agency's inception in December 2008, & chaired the board from June, 2011 to November, 2014.



James Sperring, Solano County Supervisor, District 3, Metropolitan Transportation Commission Mayor of Suisun City from 1986 to 2006 and was elected to the Solano County Board of Supervisors in June of 2006. During his two decades of public service, Mayor Sperring also chaired the city's Redevelopment Agency, where he led a nationally recognized redevelopment program centered on the Old Town Waterfront and historic Main Street Shopping District. Using the latest in New Urbanism design philosophy, Suisun City has reinvigorated the waterfront, ending its isolation and reintegrating public uses with the city marina, historic rail depot, public promenade and harbor plaza.

