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## California's Preparedness for and Response to Extreme Atmospheric River Incidents

*Wednesday, February 1, 2023 -- 10:30am, Room 437 of the Capitol*

### **Opening Remarks:**

Assemblymember Freddie Rodriguez, Chair of the Emergency Management Committee  
Assemblymember Rebecca Bauer-Kahan, Chair of the Water, Parks, and Wildlife Committee  
Assemblymember Eduardo Garcia, Chair of the Utilities and Energy Committee

### **Panel 1: Predicting and Forecasting the Impact of Atmospheric River Incidents (30 minutes)**

Dr. Daniel Swain, Climate Scientist, UCLA Institute of the Environment & Sustainability  
Dr. Marty Ralph, Researcher, UC San Diego, Scripps Institution of Oceanography  
Michael Anderson, Department of Water Resources, State Climatologist

### **Panel 2: Preparing, alerting and protecting at risk and vulnerable populations during extreme weather incidents (60 minutes)**

Sacramento County OES, Director Mary Jo Flynn-Nevins  
Santa Barbara County OES, Director Kelly Hubbard  
Santa Cruz County Office of Response, Recovery and Resilience, Director OES, David Reid  
Monterey County OES, Emergency Services Planner, Kelsey Scanlon  
California Office of Emergency Services, Deputy Director or Recovery Operations, Ryan Buras  
California Department of Water Resources, Deputy Director for Security and Emergency Management, John Paasch  
California Military Department, Acting, The Adjutant General, Major General Matthew P. Beevers

### **Panel 3: Protecting lifeline infrastructure during floods and high winds (30 minutes)**

Central Valley Flood Protection Board, Board President, Jane Dolan  
PG&E, Director of Emergency Planning & Response (EP&R) Strategy & Execution, Tracey Vardas  
SMUD, Director of Distribution Planning and Operations, Maria Veloso Koenig