



CASQA SEMINAR SERIES

Rain Ready California: *Protecting and Collecting Water for Our Future*

Thursday, April 23, 2026

10:00 am to 3:00 pm

AGENDA

1. Welcome Amanda Carr, Chair, CASQA Board of Directors Karen Cowan, CASQA Executive Director	10:00am – 10:05am
2. Launching the Rain Ready California Statewide Initiative Karen Cowan, Executive Director Joseph Draper, CASQA Program Manager	10:05am – 10:35am
3. Implementing Rain Ready California in Your Community Christy Suppes, County of Orange Nick Sudano, City of Santa Rosa	10:35am – 11:05am
4. Safer Consumer Products Program Robin Christensen; Deputy Director, CA Department of Toxic Substances Control	11:05am – 11:35pm
5. Local Perspective – Tobacco Product Waste: A Public Policy Roadmap Tara Leonard, Project Director, Tobacco Education and Prevention, County of Santa Cruz	11:35am – 12:00pm
LUNCH BREAK	12:00pm – 1:00pm
6. State Perspectives on Trash and Microplastics Robin Christensen; Deputy Director, CA Department of Toxic Substances Control Michelle Martin, Deputy Director, Division of the Circular Economy, CalRecycle Kyla Kelly, Water Quality Program Manager, Ocean Protection Council	1:00pm – 1:35pm
7. New Urban and Industrial Infiltration Policy Amanda Magee, Lead, STORMS Unit, State Water Resources Control Board	1:35pm – 1:55pm
8. Local Perspective – Successful Stormwater Capture Projects in L.A. County Los Angeles County Department of Public Works (invited)	1:55pm – 2:20pm
9. Sustainable Groundwater Management Act and Opportunities for Stormwater Capture Paul Gosselin, Deputy Director, Sustainable Water Management, Dept. of Water Resources Erik Ekdahl, Chief Deputy Director, State Water Board	2:20pm – 2:55pm
10. Closing Amanda Carr, Chair, CASQA Board of Directors Karen Cowan, CASQA Executive Director	2:55pm – 3:00pm
