

Emergency Management at the Water Boards

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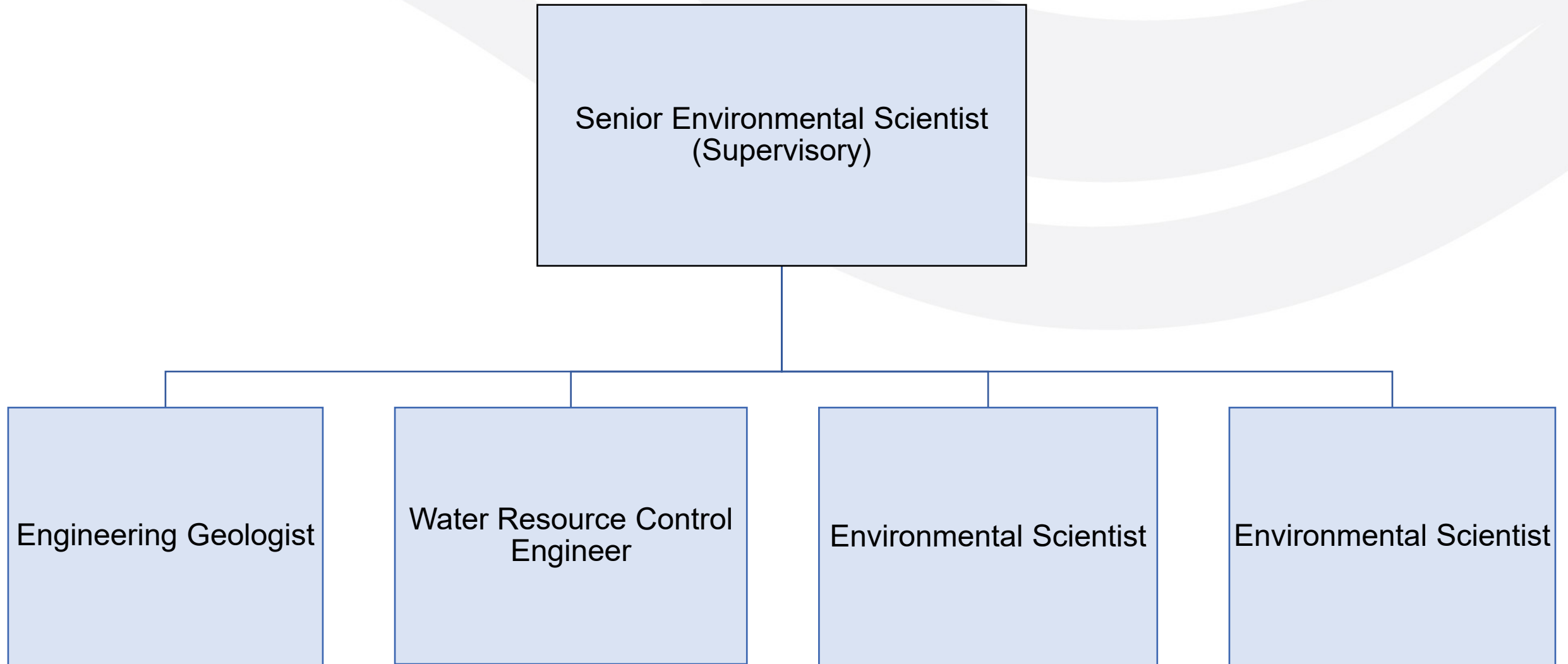


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Agenda

- Emergency Management Program (EMP) Overview
- Brief Overview of Emergency Management Concepts
- Role of EMP During Emergencies
- Role of Regional Water Board During Emergencies
- Spill Response Coordination & Roles

The EMP Team



Brief Overview: Emergency Management Concepts

- Emergencies start at local level
- The Incident Command System (ICS)
- The Standardized Emergency Management System (SEMS)
- The National Incident Management System (NIMS)


CALIFORNIA EMERGENCY SERVICES ACT
CALIFORNIA DISASTER ASSISTANCE ACT AND REGULATIONS
STANDARDIZED EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM REGULATIONS
DISASTER SERVICE WORKER VOLUNTEER PROGRAM REGULATIONS
EMERGENCY COMPACTS • INTERSTATE CIVIL DEFENSE AND DISASTER COMPACT (1951) • EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE COMPACT (2005)
CALIFORNIA DISASTER AND CIVIL DEFENSE MASTER MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT

Thresholds for EMP Engagement

- **High** – EMP primary Water Boards representative:
 - Large-scale wildfires
 - Widespread flooding
- **Medium** – Depends on Circumstances:
 - Large petroleum or chemical spills
 - Localized earthquake damage
- **Low** – Regional Boards primary Water Boards representative:
 - Sanitary Sewer Overflows
 - Small to moderate spill responses

EMP Roles During an Emergency

State Operations Center Coordination
(SOC)

Joint Field Office (JFO) Coordination

Task Force Meetings

Local Emergency Managers/Response
Agencies

Suspensions of State Water Quality
Permitting

Reminder: Water Boards employees are **not** first responders

Regional Water Board Roles During an Emergency



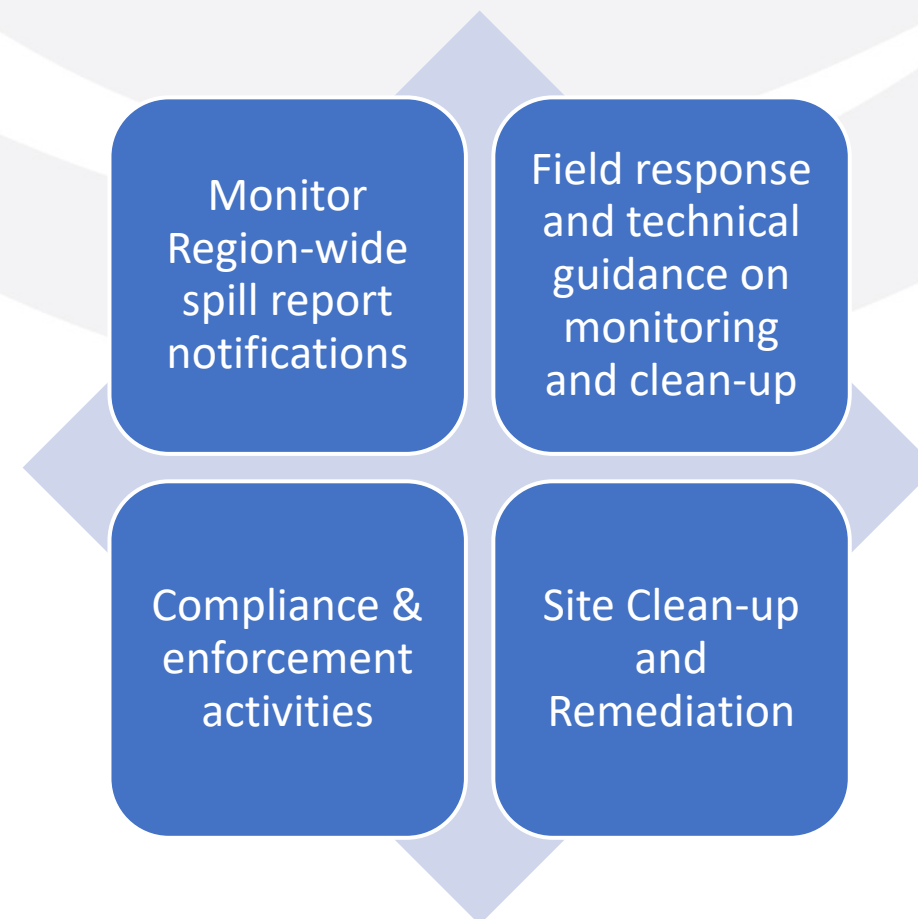
- Provide technical guidance on water quality
- Support streamlined permitting coordination
- On-site consultations as needed
- Water quality monitoring coordination
- Support EMP with field office activations

EMP Spill Response Roles

- Monitor statewide spill report notifications
- Closer support for Regional Board when response escalates:
 - Facilitate inter-agency coordination
 - Integration with Incident/Unified Command
 - Act as Agency Representative in Incident/Unified Command



Regional Board Spill Response Roles



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