

WCB Executive Director John P. Donnelly



Biography

John Donnelly began his public service career with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) in 1988 where he served for eight years as the Realty Services Coordinator working on the acquisition of mitigation properties required under California Endangered Species Act and Streambed Alteration agreements issued by CDFW. In 1996, he transferred to the Wildlife Conservation Board working as a Senior Land Agent and in 2004 was promoted to Assistant Executive Director, responsible for managing its Land Acquisition Programs. Mr. Donnelly was appointed as Executive Director of the Wildlife Conservation Board, a position he has held since September of 2006.

Mr. Donnelly serves as a board member for the Central Valley Joint Venture, the Coachella Valley Mountains Conservancy, the Rivers and Mountains Conservancy, the San Diego River Conservancy, the San Joaquin River Conservancy, and the San Francisco Bay Joint Venture.

Mr. Donnelly received a B.S. in Business Administration from California State University, Sacramento with a concentration on Real Estate and Land Use Management. He is a recipient of the Department of Fish and Game's Director's Achievement Award and Sustained Superior Accomplishment Award and has served as President of the Organization of Wildlife Lands and Realty Specialists, an affiliate of the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies.