

# Acknowledgments

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TACs provided early input, when needed, by answering specific technical questions to inform water policy options. The technical advisors have extensive expertise and are actively working on and/or researching the topic being addressed. TAC members brought a broad range of scientific, technical, and practical experience to EPD during the planning process.

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The seven BACs represented six "super" basins as well as an overlay committee to provide interaction/coordination between this process and the Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District's water management plans. BAC members were nominated by various organizations and appointed to serve by the Governor. The primary purpose of the BACs was to provide structured "regional" perspectives and input on water management objectives and potential policy tools and/or options. The BACs were not asked to reach consensus on specific decisions, but to assess each set of policy option in some detail for the purpose of providing insight from diverse perspectives to help EPD refine and improve Georgia's water management policies and/or options.

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### Statewide Advisory Committee (SAC)

The SAC provided EPD with statewide perspectives on Georgia's overarching goals for water management and the array of proposed policy tools. Statewide perspectives were needed to bring the full range of Georgia's geographic, economic, cultural, jurisdictional, and water resource realities into discussions of water management. The committee was primarily composed of representatives of organizations that have statewide constituencies and interest and were appointed to serve by the Governor. The SAC was not asked to reach consensus on specific decisions, but assessed each set of policy option in some detail for the purpose of providing insight from diverse perspectives to help EPD refine and improve Georgia's water management policies and/or options. SAC members were:

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