



ORANGE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

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ORANGE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT BOARD ELECTS 2016 OFFICERS WHO WILL LEAD REGION TO WATER RELIABILITY DURING SEVERE DROUGHT

FOUNTAIN VALLEY, Calif. (Dec. 18, 2015) — The Orange County Water District (OCWD; the District) Board of Directors elected the 2016 board officers at its December 16 meeting. These officers will lead the District in fulfilling its mission to protect and manage the Orange County Groundwater Basin and to provide local water retailers with a reliable, high-quality water supply for the 2.4 million people they serve. The board unanimously elected the 2015 officers to serve another year. Cathy Green remains president, Denis Bilodeau first vice president and Philip Anthony second vice president.

“I am honored to serve another term as president and I commend the entire board for the many accomplishments the District achieved in 2015, especially the completion of the 30-million-gallon-a-day expansion of the Groundwater Replenishment System (GWRS),” said Green. “As California prepares for a fifth year of drought, the District will continue to evaluate ocean desalination, a final GWRS expansion and other water supply projects and programs that will bring long-term water reliability to the region,” she added.

President Green was elected to the board in November 2010 to represent division 6, which includes parts of Fountain Valley and Huntington Beach. She served as the board’s 2014 first vice president and served two terms as the mayor of Huntington Beach where she has resided for more than 40 years.

First Vice President Bilodeau represents division 2 (Orange, Villa Park and parts of Tustin) and has served on the board for 15 years. He was president from 2002-2004, is a long-time resident of Orange and served two terms on the Orange City Council. Having been elected in 1981, Second Vice President Anthony is the longest standing member of the board. He represents division 4, which includes Los Alamitos, Seal Beach and portions of six additional Orange County cities, including Huntington Beach, where he resides. He was president of the board from 1993 through 1995 and again from 2005 through 2007. Complete bios for the directors are located on [OCWD’s website](#).

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OCWD's board is composed of 10 directors – seven elected from divisions that consist of cities throughout north and central Orange County, and three appointed to represent the cities of Anaheim, Fullerton and Santa Ana.

In addition to the three newly elected officers, the 2016 board members are Dina L. Nguyen, Esq., division 1, a resident of Garden Grove; Roger C. Yoh, P.E., division 3, a resident of Buena Park; Stephen R. Sheldon, division 5, a resident of Newport Beach; Shawn Dewane, division 7, a resident of Costa Mesa; Roman A. Reyna, division 8, a resident of Santa Ana; Jordan Brandman, division 9, a resident of Anaheim; and Jan M. Flory, Esq., division 10, a resident of Fullerton.

About OCWD

The District is committed to enhancing Orange County's groundwater quality and reliability in an environmentally friendly and economical manner. The following cities utilize the groundwater basin managed by OCWD and receive approximately 70 percent of their water supply from it: Anaheim, Buena Park, Costa Mesa, Cypress, Fountain Valley, Fullerton, Garden Grove, Huntington Beach, Irvine, La Palma, Los Alamitos, Newport Beach, Orange, Placentia, Santa Ana, Seal Beach, Stanton, Tustin, Villa Park, Westminster and Yorba Linda. For more information about the Orange County Water District and its board of directors, call (714) 378-3200 or visit www.ocwd.com.