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## **ORANGE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT BOARD ELECTS NEW LEADERSHIP**

**FOUNTAIN VALLEY, Calif.** (December 22, 2022) — The Orange County Water District (OCWD; the District) Board of Directors elected Cathy Green to serve as the District’s 2023-2024 board president, and Denis R. Bilodeau, P.E. and Van Tran, Esq. to serve as first and second vice president, respectively. The elections were held during the December 21 Board of Directors meeting.

“It’s a tremendous honor to serve as board president of a global leader in the water industry,” said President Cathy Green. “We have an exciting year ahead as we celebrate 15 years of operating the world’s largest water recycling project, dedicating its final completion, and celebrating our 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary. I am excited to work with my colleagues and the staff to celebrate these milestones and continue to execute our mission to provide a reliable, safe water supply to the region.”

President Green was elected to OCWD’s Board in 2010 and previously served as president from 2015-2016 and as first vice president from 2013-2014 and 2020-2022. She represents Division 6, which includes the city of Huntington Beach and parts of Fountain Valley. President Green has a long record of community service and serves on numerous industry, community and nonprofit boards and committees. Prior to her service on OCWD’s Board, President Green was elected to two consecutive terms on the Huntington Beach City Council where she served two terms as mayor. She currently serves as the vice president of the Association of California Water Agencies, the largest statewide coalition of public water agencies in the country.

First Vice President Denis R. Bilodeau, P.E. was elected to the Board in 2000 and previously served as president from 2002-2004 and 2017-2018, and as first vice president from 2015-2016. Director Bilodeau represents Division 2, which includes the cities of Villa Park and parts of Orange and Tustin. He also serves as a current member of the Orange City Council.

Second Vice President Van Tran, Esq. was appointed to the Board in 2022 to represent Division 4, which includes the cities of Los Alamitos, Seal Beach and parts Buena Park, Cypress, Fountain Valley, Garden Grove, and Westminster. Director Tran is an attorney and previously served as a member of the California State Assembly and Garden Grove City Council.

The OCWD Board of Directors is comprised of 10 directors whose biographies and photographs are available at [www.ocwd.com/about/service-area-board-of-directors/](http://www.ocwd.com/about/service-area-board-of-directors/).

### **About Orange County Water District**

The Orange County Water District is committed to enhancing Orange County's groundwater quality and reliability in an environmentally friendly and economical manner. The following cities rely on the groundwater basin, managed by OCWD, to provide 77% of their water demands: 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 OCWD, please visit [www.ocwd.com](http://www.ocwd.com), like @OCWaterDistrict on Facebook, follow @OCWDWaterNews on Twitter, follow @OCWD on Instagram, and follow Orange County Water District on LinkedIn.

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