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**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR MEETING**

October 4, 2023

8:00 a.m.

1021 E. Miramar Avenue | Claremont, California 91711-2052

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THREE VALLEYS MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA

1021 E. Miramar Avenue, Claremont, CA 91711

[Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(b), President Roberto will attend the meeting via teleconference, location at 7213 Alliance Court, San Diego, CA 92119]

October 4, 2023 – 8:00 AM

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NOTICE OF VIDEOCONFERENCE/TELECONFERENCE ACCESSIBILITY

Three Valleys MWD will hold this meeting of its Board of Directors on the date and time, and at the locations set forth above. The public may participate in the meeting by physical attendance at the above locations or by videoconference or teleconference utilizing the following links:

Link to join webinar: <https://tvmwd.zoom.us/j/83592912166>

OR

Dial in: (669) 444-9171, Webinar ID: 835 9291 2166

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| 1. CALL TO ORDER | ROBERTO |
| 2. ROLL CALL | AGUIRRE |
| Jody Roberto, President
Mike Ti, Vice-President
Carlos Goytia, Secretary
Bob Kuhn, Treasurer
David De Jesus, Director
Jeff Hanlon, Director
Danielle Soto, Director | |
| 3. FLAG SALUTE | ROBERTO |

4. DIRECTOR REMOTE PARTICIPATION PURSUANT TO AB 2449 [Government Code Section 54953(f)] ROBERTO
- A. NOTIFICATION DUE TO JUST CAUSE
- B. REQUEST DUE TO EMERGENCY CIRCUMSTANCES

BOARD ACTION REQUIRED ITEM 4.B

Staff Recommendation: None

5. AGENDA REORDER/ADDITIONS [Government Code Section 54954.2(b)(2)] ROBERTO

Additions to the agenda may be considered when two-thirds of the board members present determine a need for immediate action, and the need to act came to the attention of TVMWD after the agenda was posted; this exception requires a degree of urgency. If fewer than two-thirds of the board members are present, all must affirm the action to add an item to the agenda. The Board shall call for public comment prior to voting to add any item to the agenda after posting.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT (Government Code Section 54954.3) ROBERTO

Opportunity for members of the public to directly address the Board on items of public interest that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of TVMWD. The public may also address the Board on items being considered on this agenda.

We request that remarks be limited to three minutes or less. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.3, if speaker is utilizing a translator, the total allotted time will be doubled.

7. PRESENTATION LITCHFIELD

A. METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT'S PURE WATER SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
John Bednarski, Chief Engineer and Group Manager of Engineering Services for Metropolitan Water District will provide an update on Pure Water Southern California.

B. NEW TVMWD TEAM MEMBER INTRODUCTION LITCHFIELD
Ms. Brittany Aguilar, Finance Manager

8. ACTION AGENDA

The following items on the Action Agenda call for discussion and action by the Board. All items are placed on the agenda so that the Board may discuss and take action on the item if the Board is so inclined.

A. RESOLUTION NO. 23-10-979 AUTHORIZING AN UPDATE TO THE SIGNATORIES FOR LOCAL AGENCY INVESTMENT FUND (LAIF)

The Board will consider approval of Resolution No. 23-10-979, updating signatories of the LAIF account, and direct staff to file the necessary documentation.

BOARD ACTION REQUIRED 8.A

Staff Recommendation: Approve as Presented

ITEM 8 CONTINUED

B. SPECIAL DISTRICT LAFCO REPRESENTATIVE ALTERNATE MEMBER BALLOT

The Board will consider casting a vote for a candidate on LAFCO's Special District Alternate Member ballot.

BOARD ACTION REQUIRED 8.B

Staff Recommendation: Approve as Presented


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| 9. DIRECTORS'/GENERAL MANAGER'S ORAL REPORTS | ROBERTO |
| Directors may report on activities for meetings to which they are assigned to serve as the representative or alternate of TVMWD and on other areas of interest. | |
| A. METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT | DE JESUS |
| B. CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER | KUHN |
| C. SAN GABRIEL BASIN WATER QUALITY AUTHORITY | KUHN |
| D. MAIN SAN GABRIEL BASIN WATERMASTER | TI |
| E. SIX BASINS WATERMASTER | ROBERTO |
| F. ADDITIONAL BOARD MEMBER REPORTS/COMMENTS | ALL |
| G. GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS | LITCHFIELD |
| 10. CLOSED SESSION | ROBERTO |
| A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION [Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)] | |
| Name of Case: Chino Basin Municipal Water District v. City of Chino, et al., San Bernardino County Superior Court Case No. RCV RS 51010 | |
| 11. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS | ROBERTO |
| 12. ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING | ROBERTO |
| The Board will adjourn to a regular Board Meeting on October 18, 2023 at 8:00 AM. | |

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Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.5, materials related to an item on this agenda submitted after distribution of the agenda packet will be posted on the TVMWD website at www.threevalleys.com.

Three Valleys MWD Board meeting packets and agendas are available for review at www.threevalleys.com.

**BOARD ACTION****BOARD OF DIRECTORS
STAFF REPORT**

To: TVMWD Board of Directors
From: Matthew H. Litchfield, General Manager 
Date: October 4, 2023
Subject: **Resolution No. 23-10-979 Authorizing an Update to the Signatories for Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF)**

 Funds Budgeted: \$ **Fiscal Impact:** \$**Staff Recommendation**

Staff is recommending approval of Resolution No. 23-10-979, updating the signatories authorized to order the deposit or withdrawal of funds in TVMWD's LAIF account.

Discussion

TVMWD has an account with LAIF to earn a greater return on funds over a short-term basis, as opposed to funds kept with Chandler Asset Management that mature from 0-5 years.

LAIF requires a current resolution approved by the Board that reflects each person authorized to perform day-to-day business transactions pertaining to TVMWD's LAIF. The attached resolution, if approved, updates the employees authorized to perform these actions as follows: Brittany Aguilar, Finance Manager – added (effective October 4, 2023), Liz Cohn, Finance Manager – removed (effective October 4, 2023), Matthew H. Litchfield, General Manager, Jose Velasquez, Chief Finance Officer.

Environmental Impact

None

Strategic Plan Objective(s)

3.3 – Be accountable and transparent with major decisions

Attachment(s)

Exhibit A – Resolution No. 23-10-979 Authorizing an Update to the Signatories for Local Agency Investment Fund

Meeting History

None

NA/LC

RESOLUTION NO. 23-10-979

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
THREE VALLEYS MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
AUTHORIZING AN UPDATE TO THE SIGNATORIES FOR
LOCAL AGENCY INVESTMENT FUND**

WHEREAS, the Three Valleys Municipal Water District (“the District”), located at 1021 East Miramar Avenue, Claremont, California, is a municipal water district organized and operating pursuant to Water Code Section 71000 et seq.

WHEREAS, The Local Agency Investment Fund is established in the State Treasury under Government Code section 16429.1 et. seq. for the deposit of money of a local agency for purposes of investment by the State Treasurer.

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors hereby finds that the deposit and withdrawal of money in the Local Agency Investment Fund in accordance with Government Code section 16429.1 et. seq. for the purpose of investment as provided therein is in the best interests of the District.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes the deposit and withdrawal of District monies in the Local Agency Investment Fund in the State Treasury in accordance with Government Code section 16429.1 et. seq. for the purpose of investment as provided therein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. The following District officers holding the titles specified hereinbelow **or their successors in office** are each hereby authorized to order the deposit or withdrawal of monies in the Local Agency Investment Fund Account Number ending 019 and may execute and deliver any and all documents necessary or advisable in order to effectuate the purposes of this resolution and the transactions contemplated hereby:

MATTHEW H. LITCHFIELD General Manager	JOSE VELASQUEZ Chief Finance Officer	BRITTANY AGUILAR Finance Manager
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Section 2. This resolution shall remain in full force and effect until rescinded by the Board of Directors by resolution and a copy of the resolution rescinding this resolution is filed with the State Treasurer’s Office.

ADOPTED and PASSED at a meeting of the Three Valleys Municipal Water District’s Board of Directors, on this 4th day of October 2023 by the following vote:

- AYES:
- NOES:
- ABSTAIN:
- ABSENT:

Jody Roberto
President, Board of Directors

ATTEST:


Carlos Goytia
Secretary, Board of Directors

SEAL:



BOARD ACTION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS STAFF REPORT

To: TVMWD Board of Directors
From: Matthew H. Litchfield, General Manager 
Date: October 4, 2023
Subject: **Special District LAFCO Representative Alternate Member Ballot**

Funds Budgeted: \$

Fiscal Impact: \$

Staff Recommendation

The Board will consider casting a vote for a candidate on LAFCO's Special District Alternate Member ballot.

Discussion

LAFCO has opened election for the Special District Alternate Member for the term expiring in May 2026. Nominations closed as of 5:00 p.m. on August 25, 2023. Ballots must be returned by 5:00 p.m. on October 27, 2023. The candidates are as follows:

- Micah Ali – Compton Creek Mosquito Abatement District
- Steven Appleton – Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District
- Stephen H. Brown – Kinneloa Irrigation District
- Gary Burns – Las Virgenes Municipal Water District
- Sharon S. Raghavachary – Crescenta Valley Water District

A vote will be cast for the candidate that the TVMWD Board of Directors selects to support.

Environmental Impact

None

Strategic Plan Objective(s)

3.3 – Be accountable and transparent with major decisions

Attachment(s)

Exhibit A – Nomination Forms and Candidate Statements

Meeting History

Board of Directors Meeting, September 20, 2023, No action taken

Board of Directors Meeting, July 31, 2023, Informational Item Only

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MEMORANDUM

TO: PRESIDING OFFICER OF EACH INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT IN
LOS ANGELES COUNTY

FROM: WILLIAM F. KRUSE

RE: BALLOT; SPECIAL DISTRICT LAFCO REPRESENTATIVE

DATE: August 30, 2023

Enclosed is the Ballot and the supplementary materials submitted for each of the candidates for Special District LAFCO **ALTERNATE MEMBER** for the term expiring in May 2026. Nominations closed as of 5:00 p.m. on August 25, 2023.

Please vote for ONE candidate for the position. The marked ballot should be placed in the envelope marked "Ballot Envelope" and sealed. Please write the name of your agency and sign your name on the outside of the ballot envelope and return the completed ballot by mail to:

William F. Kruse, Esq.
Lagerlof, LLP
155 N. Lake Avenue, 11th Floor
Pasadena, CA 91101.

No ballot will be counted if it is missing the name of the voting agency and the signature of the Presiding Officer on the ballot envelope.

The candidate receiving the highest number of votes will be declared the Special District **Alternate Member** to LAFCO.

Ballots must be returned by 5:00 p.m. on October 27, 2023.

WFK/dc
Enclosures

cc(w/ encls.): Paul Novak

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BALLOT

SPECIAL DISTRICT LAFCO ALTERNATE MEMBER

Please vote for no more than one candidate.

MICAH ALI

Occupation: Board of Trustees
Sponsor: Compton Creek Mosquito Abatement District

STEVEN APPLETON

Occupation: Board of Directors
Sponsor: Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District

STEPHEN H. BROWN

Occupation: Board of Directors
Sponsor: Kinneloa Irrigation District

GARY BURNS

Occupation: Board of Directors
Sponsor: Las Virgenes Municipal Water District

SHARON S. RAGHAVACHARY

Occupation: Board of Directors
Sponsor: Crescenta Valley Water District

NOMINATION
OF
INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT **ALTERNATE MEMBER**
TO THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

To: Independent Special District Selection Committee
From: Mitchel R. Weinbaum
Date: August 23, 2023
Name of Candidate: Mr. Micah Ali

Compton Creek Mosquito Abatement District is pleased to nominate
Mr. Micah Ali as a candidate for appointment as special district **alternate**
member to the Los Angeles Local Agency Formation Commission. The nominee is an elected official or a
member of the board of an independent special district appointed for a fixed term. For your consideration,
we submit the following additional information together with a resume of the candidate's qualifications.

Elective office: President, Board of Trustees

Agency: Compton Creek Mosquito Abatement District

Type of Agency: Special District, Mosquito Abatement District

Term Expires: 2025

Residence Address: 1224 S. Santa Fe Ave, Compton, CA 90221

Telephone: (310) 933-5321

PLEASE ATTACH RESUME OR CANDIDATE STATEMENT (limit one page)

Compton Creek Mosquito Abatement District
(Name of Agency)

By: 

Its: General Manager



Micah Ali

Strategist, Consultant, Public Sector And Governance Expert

Experienced strategist, catalyst for innovation and organizational effectiveness. Regarded as a pioneer in public affairs/government relations and board governance for clients in public education, public health and economic development spheres. Catalyzes private/public partnerships, coalition building and broad based initiatives intended to achieve impact in areas often deemed resistant to change. Co-author of the California Association of Black School Educators' Blueprint for Education Equity

EXPERIENCE AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Founder, Managing Director

Synergistic Solutions Consulting
November 2004-Present

Strategy consultancy providing expertise in organizational culture, politics, and effective practices of School Boards and School District leadership, as well as other governmental and global organizations seeking to achieve next level results, sustainable change and improving overall organizational performance.

CONSULTING AREAS

Government Affairs and Crisis Management.
Land Use and Development Consulting
High-stakes and Large Project Negotiation
Community Development

Director

Los Angeles County Education Foundation
July 2012 - January 2014

Expanded supports for public schools across Los Angeles County in the area by way of innovation in health and education policy, including large-dollar investment projects, public education and achievement initiatives for districts across Los Angeles County, and innovated policy efforts.

Project Manager

Raytheon Space and Airborne Systems
October 2008 - June 2012

Oversee and ensure the successful completion of complex projects across several divisions of the global technology and aerospace organization.

Special Assistant, Government Relations

California State Legislature, Assemblymember Merv Dymally
August 2006 - November 2008

Established and maintained relationships with strategic community leaders, legislators, legislative aides, local elected officials, business trade leaders, public health agencies and organizations, charitable organizations, school districts, health care industry leaders and grassroots constituency groups.

OTHER POSITIONS HELD

Project Coordinator

Boeing Satellite Systems
July 2003 - October 2004

Project Manager, Policy and Governmental Affairs

Community Redevelopment Agency
August 2002 - July 2003

Council Liaison Officer, Government Relations

City of Compton
August 1998 - August 2002

SKILLS

High-Stakes Negotiation

Board Effectiveness

Gov't/Private Partnerships

National/State Policy

EDUCATION

Loyola Marymount University
Masters of Arts in Education
School Administration

California State University, Dominguez Hills
Bachelor of Science
Public Administration

CIVIC & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Chair-elect
National Black Council of School Board Members

Chair Emeritus,
Council of Urban Boards of Education

Founder and President Emeritus
California Association of Black School Educators

President
Compton Unified School District Board of Trustees

President Emeritus
Los Angeles County School Trustees Association

President
Compton Creek Mosquito Abatement District Board of Trustees

Emeritus Member
National School Boards Association

Emeritus Member
California School Boards Association

Immediate Past Member
California Racial and Identity Profiling Advisory Board

Alternate
South Coast Air Quality Management District Hearing Board

INTERESTS

Education Innovation

Environmentalism

Land Use and Improvement Projects

Community Development

K-12 Education Systems

NOMINATION
OF
INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT **ALTERNATE MEMBER**
TO THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

To: Independent Special District Selection Committee

From: **GREATER LOS ANGELES COUNTY VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT**

Date: **AUGUST 10th, 2023**

Name of Candidate: **STEVE APPLETON**

GREATER LOS ANGELES COUNTY VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT is pleased to nominate
STEVE APPLETON as a candidate for appointment as special district **alternate member** to the Los Angeles Local Agency Formation Commission. The nominee is an elected official or a member of the board of an independent special district appointed for a fixed term. For your consideration, we submit the following additional information together with a resume of the candidate's qualifications.

Elective office: **BOARD OF DIRECTOR**

Agency: **GREATER LOS ANGELES COUNTY VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT**

Type of Agency: **SPECIAL DISTRICT**

Term Expires: **MAY, 2026**

Residence Address: **2825 BENEDICT STREET**

LOS ANGELES, CA 90039

Telephone: **310/740-7294**

PLEASE ATTACH RESUME OR CANDIDATE STATEMENT (limit one page)

GREATER LOS ANGELES COUNTY VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT

(Name of Agency)

By: 

Its: **BOARD SECRETARY**



Steven Appleton

Technical knowledge, interdisciplinary skills, and a collaborative approach

As the past President of the Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District (2020) and the current Trustee for the City of Los Angeles, I have worked in collaboration with many public agencies. I have also engaged with municipal, State and Federal partners around watershed improvement and ecological restoration projects.

I serve as Board Member on the Los Angeles County Second District Consolidated Oversight Board and has served in a variety of capacities on watershed issues, including as a Technical Stakeholder to the yearly "State of the Watershed" report for the Los Angeles Region by the Council on Watershed Health. My interests and experience are especially attuned to balancing issues related to climate change, watershed protection, water quality improvement, parkland, and community engagement.

As a commissioner I would endeavor to render decisions in the best interest of the diverse set of Special Districts and the citizenry of the region. As those who have worked with me in local and regional agencies can attest, I show up ready and prepared to contribute, approaching issues in a collaborative manner.

Please consider voting for me as a Special District Alternative Commissioner to the Los Angeles Local Agency Formation Organization (LA LAFCO).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steven Appleton", followed by a long horizontal line extending to the right.

NOMINATION
OF
INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT **ALTERNATE MEMBER**
TO THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

To: Independent Special District Selection Committee

From: Tom Majich, General Manager, Kinneloa Irrigation District

Date: August 23, 2023

Name of Candidate: Stephen H. Brown

Kinneloa Irrigation District is pleased to nominate

Stephen H. Brown as a candidate for appointment as special district **alternate**

member to the Los Angeles Local Agency Formation Commission. The nominee is an elected official or a member of the board of an independent special district appointed for a fixed term. For your consideration, we submit the following additional information together with a resume of the candidate's qualifications.

Elective office: Board of Directors

Agency: Kinneloa Irrigation District

Type of Agency: Special District, Public Water Agency

Term Expires: December 5, 2025

Residence Address: 1906 Country Lane; Pasadena, CA 91107

Telephone: (202) 744-5578

PLEASE ATTACH RESUME OR CANDIDATE STATEMENT (limit one page)

Kinneloa Irrigation District

(Name of Agency)

By: 

Its: General Manager

STEPHEN H. BROWN

My name is Stephen Brown and I am seeking to fill the recent vacancy of Alternate for Independent Special Districts on the Los Angeles County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO).

I am currently on the Board of Directors for the Kinneloa Irrigation District (KID) where I have served since May 2022. I reside in an unincorporated area of Los Angeles County (the North Kinneloa Ranch community in the San Gabriel foothills) with my wife and two young children. My family moved to this area in 2019 after residing in Northern Virginia for nearly forty years. I also serve on the Finance & Audit Committee of the Mayfield Junior School in Pasadena, which my children attend. In addition to these local community endeavors, I work as a private consultant providing legislative, political, and communications strategy development to various clients in the energy field.

Prior to re-locating to Southern California, I was employed for over three decades in Washington, DC, in a variety of positions in the public and private sectors. These positions included US Congressional leadership staff, serving as Of Counsel at a prominent law firm to create and run a federal lobbying practice, serving as Senior Vice President and Deputy General Counsel of a "top ten" federal and state lobbying company, and finally moving in-house as Vice President and Legislative Counsel with a major energy provider to manage its federal affairs office. Collectively, these positions afforded me the opportunity to represent a broad array of corporate and trade association clients on multiple matters before Congress and the Executive Branch. I was honored to be annually recognized from 2005 through 2018 as a "Top Lobbyist" by *The Hill*, a leading newspaper in Washington covering such activities.

There are multiple reasons why I am interested to make an investment of time in LAFCO. First, the challenge of working to constantly improve the establishment of spheres of influence for local units of governments or special districts so that the needs of their respective constituents or customers are efficiently met would be intrinsically rewarding. Second, the public policy issues inherent to LAFCO's mission and the matters pending before it would intersect broadly with many that I advocated on throughout my career in Washington. Water issues (supply, demand, conveyance), in particular, have always captured my attention and few other topics are as crucial to Southern California's future as this is. Finally, given that I am relatively new to the region, I am always looking to better understand and appreciate the rich tapestry of the greater Los Angeles community. Clearly, working on issues before LAFCO would provide that exposure.

To conclude, I believe that my legal education, professional experience in various public policy and political arenas, and desire to integrate more fully into our local community will allow me to make a positive and lasting contribution to the work of the Los Angeles County LAFCO. I ask for your consideration of my credentials and seek your support for my nomination to this position.

STEPHEN H. BROWN
1906 Country Lane
Pasadena CA 91107
(202)-744-5578

September 12, 2023

Mr. Matthew Litchfield, P.E.
General Manager
Three Valleys Muncipal Water District
1021 East Miramar Avenue
Claremont, CA

Dear Mr. Litchfield:

I am writing to introduce myself as a candidate for the Special District Los Angeles Local Agency Commission (LAFCO) Alternate Member vacancy and to personally ask for your support and that of your agency in the balloting for this position which closes on October 27, 2023. I would welcome the opportunity to speak with you or your Board if convenient and to learn of your priorities in the context of LAFCO.

While all of the candidates bring their own unique credentials to the table, I draw your attention specifically to mine that I believe serve to differentiate me.

- LAFCO's mission is to oversee the creation of and changes to the jurisdictional boundaries of local units of government and special districts to foster efficiency in the provision of services to Los Angeles County citizens. I have deep and unique experience doing just that through my prior work on congressional redistricting on behalf of US House Democrats nationwide in the 2000 cycle when I served as Executive Director of IMPAC 2000, the organization headed by then-Democratic Leader Richard Gephardt. More to the point, I am well versed in the legal, political and voter dynamics inherent in the complicated process of setting boundaries for local subdivisions.
- If the "mission critical" component of LAFCO is to ensure that local agencies or districts serve the needs of their constituents, the logical question then becomes what are the key policy priorities at stake? While all special districts are by their design "special," an overarching issue important to all is water policy. Few others have such an existential impact on Los Angeles County, present and future. Those Special Districts responsible for wrestling daily with the suite of water issues (demand, supply, conveyance, security and affordability) deserve unique support from county-wide organizations like LAFCO. That can best be achieved by having voting LAFCO members with water policy experience from all perspectives (local, state and federal). Additionally, as all future local boundaries are evaluated, their impacts on water

issues must be top of mind. My position as a Director on the Board for the Kinneloa Irrigation District continually educates me on the complexity and importance of water policy – a perspective that will always guide my work at LAFCO.

- Of all the candidates running, I am the relative “newcomer” to Los Angeles County. An alternative view is that an otherwise experienced candidate new to a jurisdiction can bring a set of fresh eyes along with independence from traditional power centers to constructively work with all interests to advance common goals and needs. It is my nature to immerse myself in projects or roles that I take on and to work diligently as well as responsibly in carrying out prescribed duties. I have come to have enormous appreciation for the cultural diversity that is a hallmark of Los Angeles County and the need to foster those cultural viewpoints in the public policy arena.

Given my objective of seeking the support of your agency for my candidacy, I reiterate my desire to either speak with you or the members of the Board for the Three Valleys Municipal Water District. I may be reached by email at rbj2757@gmail.com or by phone at 202-744-5578.

Thank you for taking the time to read this and to consider my qualifications.

Yours Truly,

Stephen H. Brown

NOMINATION
OF
INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT **ALTERNATE MEMBER**
TO THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

To: Independent Special District Selection Committee

From: Las Virgenes Municipal Water District

Date: August 1, 2023

Name of Candidate: Gary Burns

Las Virgenes Municipal Water District is pleased to nominate Gary Burns as a candidate for appointment as special district **alternate**

member to the Los Angeles Local Agency Formation Commission. The nominee is an elected official or a member of the board of an independent special district appointed for a fixed term. For your consideration, we submit the following additional information together with a resume of the candidate's qualifications.

Elective office: Director, Division 3

Agency: Las Virgenes Municipal Water District

Type of Agency: Water District

Term Expires: December 4, 2026

Residence Address: 22118 Dardenne Street
Calabasas, CA 91302

Telephone: (818) 222-4200

PLEASE ATTACH RESUME OR CANDIDATE STATEMENT (limit one page)

Las Virgenes Municipal Water District

(Name of Agency)
By: 

Its: General Manager

Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO):

Nomination of Candidates for Special District Alternate Member

Gary Burns, Candidate to fill LAFCO Alternate Member Position 8/2023

Gary Burns was elected to the LVMWD Board in December 2022. (Division 3, Secretary) He is the first direct Calabasas resident to serve on the District Water Board.

Gary desires to serve as the LAFCO Independent Special District Alternate Member to further serve the community and provide input to the Los Angeles Region.

Gary grew up in the New York New / Jersey area. He attended Fairleigh Dickenson (FDU) and Hofstra University where he received a BA and Master's in Psychology. He returned to FDU and received an MBA in Business and Finance.

He moved to the Calabasas area in 1989, and has been a resident of Calabasas since the inception of the City in 1991.

Gary has been President of Mulholland Heights Homeowners Association for the past 10 years. Additionally, he is a Board Member of Community Associations Institute, 2018 - 2024 (CAI of Greater Los Angeles County) and a Board Member of CAI International, National Homeowner Leaders Council 2021 – 2024. He was recognized by CAI Los Angeles for Excellence in Community Leadership in 2021 - 22

He is also a founding member of EPIC, (Emergency Preparedness in Calabasas) and volunteers for many local events. He is a partner in the Just Pure Foods Distribution company and a licensed Life and Health Insurance Broker.

Gary is searching for new sources of water to ensure there is sufficient future supplies for the community. He is available to advocate for his constituents whenever needed.

NOMINATION
OF
INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT **ALTERNATE MEMBER**
TO THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

To: Independent Special District Selection Committee
From: Crescenta Valley Water District Board of Directors
Date: August 22, 2023
Name of Candidate: Sharon S. Raghavachary

Crescenta Valley Water District Board of Directors is pleased to nominate
Sharon S. Raghavachary as a candidate for appointment as special district **alternate**
member to the Los Angeles Local Agency Formation Commission. The nominee is an elected official or a
member of the board of an independent special district appointed for a fixed term. For your consideration,
we submit the following additional information together with a resume of the candidate's qualifications.

Elective office: Member of the Board of Directors

Agency: Crescenta Valley Water District

Type of Agency: Water and Wastewater

Term Expires: December 2024

Residence Address: 2209 Maurice Avenue

La Crescenta, CA 91214

Telephone: 818 248-3925

PLEASE ATTACH RESUME OR CANDIDATE STATEMENT (limit one page)

Crescenta Valley Water District

(Name of Agency)

By: 

Its: President of the Board of Directors



Sharon Raghavachary
President of the Board of Directors
Crescenta Valley Water District

Director Raghavachary has been active in the La Crescenta Community for over 20 years and has a background in accounting and computer systems.

Currently Ms. Raghavachary is the President of the Board of Directors for the Crescenta Valley Water District. She has served on the Board since 2019 and has been a past President as well as Vice President.

Ms. Raghavachary is a founder of the Crescenta Valley Community Association. She served for seven years on the Crescenta Valley Town Council, during which time she was co-chair of the Foothill Design Committee, that wrote design standards for Foothill Boulevard, and was a member of Supervisor Michael Antonovich's Library Committee. She also served as Council Vice President and Land Use Committee Chair.

Additionally, Director Raghavachary served three years on the Parent Advisory Council for Children's Hospital Los Angeles, providing input for the new hospital tower. She has been a volunteer for the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and Treasurer of the Crescenta Valley Arts Council, as well as a Girl Scout troop leader for ten years, and for over five years she wrote a featured column for the Glendale News Press and the Crescenta Valley Weekly. She also served on the Clark Magnet High School's School Site Council for four years.

Ms. Raghavachary has teenage twins, one currently studying at USC and the other who looks forward to studying abroad.