

LAKE ARROWHEAD COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

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DATE: JUNE 25, 2019

TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Lake Arrowhead Community Services District

FROM: 
CATHERINE CERRI, General Manager

SUBJECT: CONSIDER CANDIDATES FOR THE CALIFORNIA SPECIAL DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS SEAT B

A. RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Directors votes for Lindsay Woods from the Hesperia Recreation and Park District to be a representative to the Southern Network of the California Special Districts Association (CSDA) Board of Directors Seat B.

B. REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION

The District is a voting member of CSDA and has an interest in its operations. Staff are familiar with several of the candidates and they would all serve well. Lindsay Woods has worked with LACSD for many years managing the neighboring property to the District's Hesperia wastewater reclamation site.

C. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Each of CSDA's six regional divisions has three seats on the Board. Each of the candidates is either a board member or management-level employee of a member district located in our geographic region. Each Regular Member in good standing is entitled to nominate and vote for one director to represent its region. The Southern Network Seat B term ends in 2022.

The candidates that are up for election are as follows:

- Ronald Coats, East Valley Water District
- Dennis LaMoreaux, Palmdale Water District
- Michael Mack, Rainbow Municipal Water District
- Greg Mills, Serrano Water District
- Kelly Rivers, Orange County Cemetery District
- Kathleen Tiegs, Cucamonga Valley Water District
- Lindsay Woods, Hesperia Recreation and Park District

D. FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

E. ATTACHMENTS

Candidate Information



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2019 CSDA BOARD CANDIDATE INFORMATION SHEET

The following information **MUST** accompany your nomination form and Resolution/minute order:

Name: Ronald L. Coats

District/Company: East Valley Water District

Title: Governing Board Member

Elected/Appointed/Staff: Elected

Length of Service with District: Five Years

1. Do you have current involvement with CSDA (such as committees, events, workshops, conferences, Governance Academy, etc.):

* Please see attached

2. Have you ever been associated with any other state-wide associations (CSAC, ACWA, League, etc.):

* Please see attached

3. List local government involvement (such as LAFCo, Association of Governments, etc.):

* Please see attached

4. List civic organization involvement:

* Please see attached

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Ronald L. Coats – 2019 CSDA Board Candidate Information Sheet

1) Involvement with CSDA

- Served on the Member Services Committee and the Professional Development Committee.
- Received the Recognition in Special District Governance.
- Received my Certificate of Completion in the Special District Leadership Academy Advanced Coursework.
- Attended several workshops, webinars and conferences through CSDA.

2) State-wide Associations

1. Member of the California State Sheriff's Association (Over 30 Years)

3) Local government involvement

1. Currently serving as a Director, previously served as Vice Chair and Chairman of the Board for East Valley Water District (5 Years)
2. Currently serving as Vice Chair for the Advisory Committee on Water Policy for the San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District (2 Years)
3. Served on the Citizens Advisory Committee for the Review of the General Plan for the City of San Bernardino (2 Years)
4. Served as a member, Vice Chair and Chairman of the Citizens Oversight Committee for the San Bernardino City Unified School District (12 Years)
5. Served as a member and Chairman of the Citizens Oversight Committee for the San Bernardino Community College District (3 Years)
6. Currently serving as a board member for the Association of San Bernardino County Special Districts (2 Years)

4) Civic involvement

1. Donated over 36 gallons of Blood to Life Stream Blood Bank in San Bernardino and Riverside Counties
2. Member of the American Legion Post 421 in Highland, CA. (Over 35 Years)
3. Conducted "mock" job interviews to seniors at Redlands Unified School District schools (3 Years)
4. Served on the Planning and Allocations and Community Impact Cabinet committees for the Arrowhead United Way (15 Years)
5. Served in the United States Army from August of 1966 until August of 1970, attaining the rank of Staff Sergeant. Served in the United States and The Federal Republic of Germany (4 Years)
6. Served as a member and Chairman of the Ambassadors for the San Bernardino Area Chamber of Commerce (15 Years)



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President

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Vice President

Ronald L. Coats
Director

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Director

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Director

John Mura, General Manager/CEO

Dear Fellow CSDA Member:

Since joining the East Valley Water District Board in 2014, I have had the pleasure of being part of a world class organization. I firmly believe in the importance of transparent government and public service. With these foundational principles, I look forward to representing this region in a professional manner, as the Southern Network, Seat B, Board of Directors representative for the California Special Districts Association (CSDA).

I am a proud member of the California Special District's Association and currently sit on the Member Services Committee and the Professional Development Committee. I am committed to active civic engagement, where I was also an ambassador for the San Bernardino Area Chamber of Commerce; Chairman of the Citizens Oversight Committee for San Bernardino Community College District; Vice Chairman of Advisory Commission on Water Policy Board for San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District; Budget Review Committee member for the San Bernardino City Unified School District; along with being a 36 gallon plus donor to Life Stream Blood Bank; served in the United States Army; and member of many other civic organizations.

I have had the opportunity to work with a number of organizations through my involvement with CSDA, and truly believe in the importance of sharing knowledge, experiences, and lessons learned. As a lifetime member of the CSDA Leadership Foundation, I have experienced the benefits of a strong peer network firsthand. With East Valley Water District recently receiving its Gold District of Distinction Accreditation, we look forward to continuing to be an active member in the valuable organization.

As a CSDA Director, I will bring that passion for good governance and public service. I look forward to conveying local issues for discussion on a broader level and working through the challenges and opportunities facing special districts in California.

Whether it is serving in the military, participation in local organization, or representing the residents East Valley Water District, I have taken great pride in being an active member of my community. I look forward to your consideration for allowing me the opportunity to serve on the board of our special district community.

Sincerely,

Ronald L. Coats
East Valley Water District Board Member



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The following information **MUST** accompany your nomination form and Resolution/minute order:

Name: Dennis D. LaMoreaux, PE, SDA

District/Company: Palmdale Water District

Title: General Manager

Elected/Appointed/Staff: Staff

Length of Service with District: 30 years Palmdale Water District and Rosamond Community Services District

1. Do you have current involvement with CSDA (such as committees, events, workshops, conferences, Governance Academy, etc.):

Regular attendee of Annual Conferences, General Manager Leadership Summit, Governance Certificate, Special District Institute Certificate in Special District Leadership & Management, Special District, Administrator, Coach in CSDA Coaching Program.

2. Have you ever been associated with any other state-wide associations (CSAC, ACWA, League, etc.):

Active in ACWA and ACWA/JPIA

3. List local government involvement (such as LAFCo, Association of Governments, etc.):

Participated in two MSR with the Los Angeles LAFCO, Executive Director for the Palmdale Recycled Water Authority, Chair of Antelope Valley Watermaster Advisory Committee.

4. List civic organization involvement:

Member of Palmdale, Hispanic, and Antelope Valley African American Chambers of Commerce.

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Dennis D. LaMoreaux Candidate Statement:

Fellow Southern Network CSDA Members,

I respectfully ask for your support to be the Seat "B" Board member for our area. I have worked with special districts in California for more than three decades and am confident that I have the skills, experience and commitment to be a strong proponent for our Network. There were several challenges and changes to special districts during my tenure. These include Little Hoover Commission reports, gaining representation on Local Agency Formation Commissions, and multiple efforts to better inform and educate State legislators. These challenges were handled successfully and made us stronger and more unified. My involvement with these matters will be helpful for both our Network and the entire Association as new issues arise.

My 30-plus years with special districts have been with Palmdale Water District and Rosamond Community Services District. Palmdale Water District celebrated 100 years of serving the community in 2018. It is a medium-sized water district with about 27,000 water service connections. It is a State Water Contractor that operates in an adjudicated groundwater basin and owns two surface water reservoirs and dams. Rosamond Community Services District was formed in 1966 to provide services in its area. It is a smaller district with 5,103 water and 4,738 sewer connections. It also operates streetlights and provides graffiti abatement. My experience in these different types of districts is valuable and gives a well-rounded background to understand and advocate for our Network.

The Southern Network has a large area and nearly 200 member agencies. I am fully committed to representing the entire Network as a board director. With your votes, I will be honored to work with current Southern Network Directors Arlene Schafer and Jo MacKenzie to make sure our needs are met and are well represented within the full CSDA Board.



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The following information **MUST** accompany your nomination form and Resolution/minute order:

Name: Michael Mack

District/Company: Rainbow Municipal Water District

Title: Director

Elected/Appointed/Staff: Elected

Length of Service with District: 2 yrs. 3 months

1. Do you have current involvement with CSDA (such as committees, events, workshops, conferences, Governance Academy, etc.):

Serve as the RWUD Representative at the local and statewide CSDA meetings conferences; academy accreditation has been achieved.

2. Have you ever been associated with any other state-wide associations (CSAC, ACWA, League, etc.):

Serve as the RWUD Representative at ACWA and attend the ACWA conferences.

3. List local government involvement (such as LAFCo, Association of Governments, etc.):

4. List civic organization involvement:

Rainbow Association of Rainbow Community
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ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES



My name is Michael Mack and I am honored to be seeking election to be on the Board of Directors of California Special Districts Association.

I was elected to the Rainbow Municipal Water District Board of Directors in December 2016 and appointed to serve as the District's representative at both ACWA and CSDA. My background includes a degree in horticulture and worked for the City of San Marcos for over thirty years. As the Parks Department Supervisor, I had many responsibilities including reviewing plans and inspection of new park and street median installations. I was both a Certified Playground Inspector and Irrigation Auditor. One of my main responsibilities was ensuring efficient usage of water resources. I calculated, determined, and programmed water requirements for the plant material for all parks and street medians within the City.

I have learned the importance of CSDA is we are the support system to help ensure efficient and productive services to both small and large communities throughout California at the local level of city governments. As your CSDA Board Member, I see endless possibilities and promise to tackle and meet the challenges our districts face. We all must work together for present and future needs for our special districts and by doing so we can and will achieve our goals. We must be proactive with our legislators and with this energy and commitment we can make the difference between success and failure.

I am very honored to have this chance to serve all of you and given this opportunity. I feel extensive service and experience in the public sector, I will work effortlessly to make those endless possibilities become reality.



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The following information **MUST** accompany your nomination form and Resolution/minute order:

Name: Greg Mills

District/Company: Serrano Water District

Title: Vice President/Director

Elected/Appointed/Staff: _____

Length of Service with District: 3 years

1. Do you have current involvement with CSDA (such as committees, events, workshops, conferences, Governance Academy, etc.):

Actively attends conferences.

2. Have you ever been associated with any other state-wide associations (CSAC, ACWA, League, etc.):

ACWA-JPIA Board member - 1 year

3. List local government involvement (such as LAFCo, Association of Governments, etc.):

Orange County Sanitation District (Director two years); Orange County Vector Control (Director three years); Villa Park City Councilman & Mayor (4 years).

4. List civic organization involvement:

Villa Park Rotary (21 years); Indian Princess (7 years); Elks Club (seven years).

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The following information **MUST** accompany your nomination form and Resolution/minute order:

Name: Kelly A. Rivers

District/Company: Orange County Cemetery District

Title: Trustee

Elected/Appointed/Staff: Appointed

Length of Service with District: 3 years - 2 months

1. Do you have current involvement with CSDA (such as committees, events, workshops, conferences, Governance Academy, etc.):

Received Recognition in Special District Governance Dec. 2016

Attendance at the CSDA Annual Conferences

2. Have you ever been associated with any other state-wide associations (CSAC, ACWA, League, etc.):

Currently Board of Director on the California Association of Public Cemeteries (CAPC)

3. List local government involvement (such as LAFCo, Association of Governments, etc.):

Regularly attends the Independent Special Districts of Orange County Meetings

4. List civic organization involvement:

Huntington Beach Historical Society, Huntington Beach 4th of July Parade Board

Huntington Beach Historic Resources Board, Boy Scouts of America Unit Commissioner

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Kelly A. Rivers
Board of Trustees
Orange County Cemetery District

Hello,

My name is Kelly Rivers, and I am running for the California Special Districts Association (CSDA) Board of Directors. I am excited for the opportunity to do my part for Special Districts in California, and will strive to expand awareness with both legislators and the public of the vital role special districts play.

Serving my community is a passion and it is a responsibility I take seriously. I am in my fourth year as a Board of Trustee for the Orange County Cemetery District, and recently completed my first term as Board Chair for 2018. I am also Chair of the District's Personnel Committee and serve as a member of the Communications & Public Relations Committee. In addition, I serve as a Board of Director for the California Association of Public Cemeteries (CAPC).

I have been a community volunteer my entire life, working with cemeteries, historical sites and planning and organizing special community events. I am the President of the Huntington Beach Historical Society and manage two of the largest living history events in California that attract thousands of visitors annually. During my tenure, I have vastly improved public outreach by successfully involving the community and effectively partnering with local businesses and public services.

It would be an honor to represent my fellow Special District members on the CSDA Board for the Southern Network and I humbly ask for your support. I believe my background, experience, and commitment to public service will be an asset to you and to our association. I appreciate your consideration.



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The following information **MUST** accompany your nomination form and Resolution/minute order:

Name: Kathleen J. Tiegs

District/Company: Cucamonga Valley Water District

Title: Director, Division 2

Elected/Appointed/Staff: Elected

Length of Service with District: + 13 years

- 1. Do you have current involvement with CSDA (such as committees, events, workshops, conferences, Governance Academy, etc.):**

Currently serve on the Legislative Committee (have also served on the Membership & By-Laws Committees). Attend the CSDA Annual Conference and Special Districts Legislative Days every year. Have completed courses through the Special District Leadership Academy and attend local workshops and classes offered by CSDA.

- 2. Have you ever been associated with any other state-wide associations (CSAC, ACWA, League, etc.):**

*ACWA (2008 – Present)- President & Vice President, Region 9 Board Member, and Federal Affairs, State Legislative, Water Resources, and Groundwater Cmtes.

*ACWA/JPIA (2008 – Present)- Board Member, and Executive and Employee Benefits Cmtes.

*Southern California Water Coalition (2016 – Present) Chair, Vice Chair, and Legislative Task Force.

- 3. List local government involvement (such as LAFCo, Association of Governments, etc.):**

*Association of San Bernardino County Special Districts (2010-2015)



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4. List civic organization involvement:

Inland Empire Utilities Agency (IEUA) Regional Sewerage Policy Committee, Davenport

Institute Advisory Council

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Kathleen J. Tiegs

2020-2022 California Special Districts Association
Board of Directors, Southern Network, Seat B



I am pleased to share with you my interest in serving as the Southern Network, Seat B, representative for the California Special Districts Association (CSDA) Board of Directors. Through my involvement with CSDA since 2011, I have served with great passion and commitment on the Board of Directors, and the Membership, Legislative, and By-laws Committees.

My experience on the Cucamonga Valley Water District (CVWD) Board of Directors has provided me with a solid foundation to lead. Elected to the CVWD in November 2005, I have served as the Board President and currently serve on the Legislative and Outreach, and Human Resources/Risk Management Committees. From 2014 to 2017 I was honored to serve in the capacity of President and Vice President of the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA). My duties at ACWA provided me the extremely valuable opportunity to effectively dialogue with special districts across the state on the important issues they are facing and how we can solve them.

I also served on the Association of San Bernardino County Special Districts Board of Directors from 2010 – 2015 where I developed a network of colleagues in a variety of agencies with a common goal of serving the needs of our constituents. There are numerous critical issues that confront special districts today; these challenges will require strong, experienced leadership, as well as a commitment to preserving the special district's mission to make communities better by providing core local services and taking action through community collaboration.

Thank you for allowing me to share with you my experience, leadership and knowledge. I look forward to serving you and the entire CSDA organization.

With Best Regards,

Kathleen J. Tiegs



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The following information **MUST** accompany your nomination form and Resolution/minute order:

Name: Lindsay Woods

District/Company: Hesperia Recreation and Park District

Title: General Manager

Elected/Appointed/Staff: Staff

Length of Service with District: 32 years

1. Do you have current involvement with CSDA (such as committees, events, workshops, conferences, Governance Academy, etc.):

- Professional Development Committee
- Elections & Bylaws Committee
- Board Secretary Graduate
- Special District Leadership Academy Graduate
- Recognition in Governance Certificate
- General Manager's Summit Attendee
- Annual Conference Attendee
- Legislative Days Attendee

2. Have you ever been associated with any other state-wide associations (CSAC, ACWA, League, etc.):

- CAPRI: California Association of Park and Recreation Indemnity – Current Board President
 - Personnel/Finance Committee Chair
- CARPD: California Association of Recreation and Park Districts – Current Board Member
 - Bylaws and Elections Committee
 - Annual Conference Committee
 - Awards Committee
 - CSDA Representative
- California Park and Recreation Society
- California Peace Officers Association
- Park Rangers Association of California

3. List local government involvement (such as LAFCO, Association of Governments, etc.):

- Tri Agency Committee Member for 8 years
- Agency Membership in Association of San Bernardino County Special Districts
- Institute for Local Government

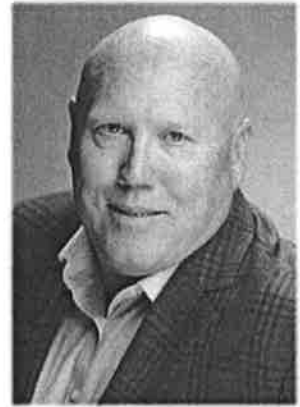
4. List civic organization involvement:

- Hesperia Chamber of Commerce
- Kiwanis International & CALNEHA Lifetime Membership Recipient
- Rotary Club of the High Desert
- Hesperia Area Recreation District Foundation, Executive Director
- American Red Cross, Past Board Member, Current Volunteer and Instructor
- California State Parks Association

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Candidate for the CSDA Board of Directors

Lindsay Woods



Dedicated to special districts and the VITAL services we all provide our communities.

CSDA's success is due to the work member agencies do in their communities, the hard work of the staff, and 50 years of strong board leadership. I believe being a successful board member is about the approach you take to understand the items before you. My approach is:

- **Include others who lend understanding to the issues before the board.**
- **Understand how things are done and consider if there is a better approach.**
- **Remain open to new ideas and embrace change.**
- **Understanding the mission, vision and purpose of the organization.**

It has been a privilege and honor to be active with CSDA by serving at the committee level, representing the California Special Districts Association's Southern Network. I have served the Hesperia Recreation and Park District (HRPD) since 1987 in a variety of capacities. In addition, I have experience serving as a board member on statewide organizations. I believe these experiences have prepared me to serve CSDA in the role of Board Member.

With your support I will serve you, your agency, and other member districts of CSDA with the same high level of professionalism, dedication, service, and innovation that I have provided to the residents of Hesperia. If elected, I will work cooperatively with the other CSDA Board of Directors to advance the work of special districts throughout the state and work with other organizations to protect districts and the vital services we provide to our communities. We all face many of the same challenges, and I want to be an active part of the future of CSDA as we work to educate, strengthen, and defend special districts both now and in the future. Lastly, I am committed to working hard to keep our Districts intact.

Please feel free to view more about me on my profile on the CSDA website.

Your District's vote will be greatly appreciated.