Western Municipal Water District Board President committed to collaboration on local water supply projects

Riverside, Calif. – Donald D. Galleano, Western Municipal Water District’s newly confirmed board president, took the gavel at the Jan. 7 Western board meeting. During his year as president, Director Galleano is holding steadfast to his commitment to partnering with other agencies to address long-term water supply reliability challenges through local projects. In addition, the veteran board member is committed to keeping a keen eye on District efficiencies to continue to demonstrate good stewardship of ratepayer funds.

Director Galleano represents Western’s Division 4, which includes the cities of Eastvale, Jurupa Valley and a portion of Norco and the communities of Mira Loma, Glen Avon and Rubidoux. He is currently serving his third term on the board; he has been a board member since January 2005. Mr. Galleano serves as a commissioner for the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority and as a board member for the Chino Basin Watermaster.

Previous to Western, Director Galleano served for nearly 25 years as a Director on the Jurupa Community Services District Board.

“It’s imperative that we continue our partnerships to provide local sources of water for our customers and the region,” Director Galleano said. “Working within the Santa Ana Watershed is something we’ve invested in as an agency; it’s certainly a big part of my vision for water supply reliability success.”

The two other board officer positions announced at the meeting include S.R. “Al” Lopez, Division 5, as vice president, and Thomas P. Evans, Division 2, as secretary-treasurer. Director Brenda Dennstedt represents Division 3 and Director Robert Stockton represents Division 1. Officers serve a one-year term. Western’s board has set strategic goals for the coming year to include continued expansion of local water resources, agency collaboration and customer partnerships for water use efficiency.

The District’s Board of Directors is supported by General Manager John. V. Rossi, who leads a 130-plus workforce that provides water supply, wastewater disposal and water resource management to the public in a safe, reliable, environmentally sensitive and financially responsible manner.

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