Supervisor Ashley Recognized as a Western Water Leader for Commitment to Regional Water Solutions

RIVERSIDE, Calif. – Western Municipal Water District recognized Riverside County Supervisor Marion Ashley as a Western Water Leader, a distinguished honor that’s presented to trailblazers who are strategic water thinkers and champions of water for our community, our region and our state.

“Supervisor Ashley is a major asset in championing water projects and programs that will ensure the region will have clean, reliable water for years to come,” said Western General Manager John Rossi. “His commitment to water has resulted in many initiatives to improve the reliability of our supply, and we’re pleased to honor him with this award.”

Since 2001, Supervisor Ashley has served on the Riverside County Board of Supervisors, maintaining a strong focus on water supply and water quality issues throughout his tenure. His public service career spans more than 30 years, and he’s served in many water leadership capacities.

Positions include board member of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, commissioner of the Santa Ana Water Project Authority, director of the Association of California Water Agencies, vice president and director of the Southern California Water Committee, chair and member of the Salton Sea Authority, board member of Eastern Municipal Water District and member of the Riverside County Planning Commission.

Most notably, Supervisor Ashley initiated the Riverside County Water Task Force in 2004 for improving the reliability of the region’s water supplies.

The Western Water Leader program began two years ago with staff and directors selecting Western Water Leaders based on their dedication of improving the reliability of the region’s water supplies. U.S. Congressman Ken Calvert, 44th District of California was previously recognized.

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