

Memo

To: Board of Directors

From: Jordan Dietz, General Manager

Date: September 21, 2021

Subject: ACWA Vice President Nominations

The Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) has been accepting nominations for the available seat as Vice President. The District has received promotional materials from four candidates, each of which is provided.

If the District wishes to support one of the candidates, it may pass a resolution in support of the candidate to be submitted to the election committee. A resolution is provided herein if the Board wishes to do so.



From: Cathy Green <cgreen@ocwd.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 18, 2021 10:01 AM

To: Jordan Dietz

Subject: Can I count on your support for ACWA Vice President?



Dear Jordan:

I trust you are having an enjoyable, safe summer. I am so thankful that the ACWA "family" has remained connected through virtual regional events, committee meetings, and planning for the fall conference.

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So, let's continue this great work together and strengthen ACWA's voice as a leader on California water issues. I hope I can count on your support for ACWA Vice President. Please feel free to contact me at (714) 321-0522 or cgreen@ocwd.com. Thank you so much for your consideration and I look forward to connecting with you soon.

Sincerely,







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From: G. Patrick O'Dowd <patrick@odowd.us>
Sent: Sunday, August 29, 2021 7:13 PM

To: Jordan Dietz

Subject: The Future of California Water

G. Patrick O'Dowd

Candidate for Vice President
Association of California Water Agencies

Dear ACWA Family,

My name is Patrick O'Dowd, and I am excited to announce my candidacy for Vice President of the Association of California Water Agencies. With strong encouragement and support from ACWA members and their agencies, and after months of laying a solid foundation, I recently declared my intention to run for this important statewide office.



I first joined ACWA's board in 2015 after having been selected Region 9 Chair by its members while serving as a Director for and representative of the Coachella Valley Water District (CVWD), where I was twice elected to the Board. In the ensuing years I have been honored to serve on ACWA's Finance, Business Development, and Legislative Affairs Committees, and am currently an elected member of ACWA' Executive Committee and appointed Chair of ACWA's Federal Affairs Committee. I've also been privileged to be appointed to numerous task forces and workgroups, including ACWA's Disadvantaged Communities Task Force where I have proudly served since its

inception, and ACWA's Headwaters Workgroup, which provides strong state and local leadership in the increasingly challenging forest management and headwaters arena. I also serve on the Board of the National Water Resources Association, and that of the United States International Boundary and Water Commission's Colorado River Citizens Forum.

With a bachelor's degree in Construction from Louisiana State University, I have enjoyed a diverse, successful career which has afforded me an extensive background in real estate development and sales, banking and finance, all while working with public, private, non-profit, and faith-based organizations. I am currently the Executive Director of the Salton Sea Authority (Authority), a Joint Powers Agency formed to preserve the beneficial uses of imported Colorado River water supplies while addressing the historical impacts associated with a changing ecosystem. I report to a ten-member board comprised of two directors each from the Imperial Irrigation District and CVWD (both ACWA members), two Supervisors each from Riverside and Imperial Counties, and two elected representatives from the Torres-Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians tribe. Working in coordination and consultation with local stakeholders, the State of California, and the entire federal family, the Authority advocates and facilitates the development and implementation of policies, plans and projects to transition the Sea and region from what it once was to what it sustainably can be, including addressing the long-neglected needs of communities most impacted by those changes over time.

And while my involvement with the Authority gives me day-to-day exposure to the issues involving the Colorado River and Southern California, my current role as a Director with Dudley Ridge Water District - where I was appointed by the unanimous vote of the Kings County Board of Supervisors - puts me squarely in the heart of California's Central Valley challenges, both natural and human. That, along with my active involvement with ACWA's Headwaters Task Force, affords me the good fortune to have real time access to, exposure in, and meaningful involvement with virtually every aspect of California water —

North to South, East to West, Ag, Urban, and otherwise.

I am hopeful that your organization agrees that I am the right candidate at the right time in California water to help lead ACWA through these challenging times and towards a more promising future for all Californians. I appreciate your consideration, I ask for your vote, and I would be humbled to receive your support and endorsement as ACWA's next Vice President.

Respectfully,

G. Patrick O'Dowd

Candidate for Vice President

Resolution Nominating Candidate

E-Mail G. Patrick O'Dowd









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From: Stacy Lynne Taylor <stacyt@mesawater.org>
Sent: Wednesday, August 18, 2021 10:46 AM

To: Stacy Lynne Taylor

Cc: cgreen@ocwd.com; Paul E. Shoenberger, PE; mmarkus@ocwd.com

Subject: ACWA Region 9 - Can Cathy Green count on your support for ACWA Vice President?

<u>www.OCWD.com/news-events/events/Cathy-Green-for-ACWA-Vice-President/template support resolution</u>

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From: Cathy Green <cgreen+ocwd.com@ccsend.com>

Sent: Wednesday, August 18, 2021 10:01 AM **To:** Stacy Lynne Taylor <stacyt@mesawater.org>

Subject: Can I count on your support for ACWA Vice President?



Dear Stacy:

I trust you are having an enjoyable, safe summer. I am so thankful that the ACWA "family" has remained connected through virtual regional events, committee meetings, and planning for the fall conference.

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Sincerely,

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From: Pam Tobin <BoardOfDirectors@sjwd.org>
Sent: Wednesday, August 18, 2021 2:36 PM

To: Jordan Dietz

Subject: Vote Pam Tobin for ACWA President

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Dear ACWA Member Board Presidents and General Managers:

I am pleased to announce my candidacy for the office of President of the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) for the 2022-2023 term. I am writing to ask for your support.

In addition to my service as ACWA Vice President over the past two years, I have more than 17 years of experience in California water at the local, regional, and statewide levels and believe I am uniquely qualified to serve as ACWA President. For more information about my qualifications, and how you can support my candidacy, please visit SJWD.org/Pam-Tobin-for-ACWA-President.

I am proud of my accomplishments as ACWA Vice President during an extremely challenging time. Highlights include, creating the highly successful "Leadership to Leadership" virtual town hall-meetings throughout ACWA's regions; supporting ACWA members and staff during the COVID-19 Pandemic with programs and other relief activities; actively engaging in ACWA's efforts to shape California's 2020 Water Resilience Portfolio; and, working with the Board to develop a five-year Strategic Plan for the association's future.

I am honored to have the support for my candidacy from my home district, the San Juan Water District in Northern California, where I currently serve as President and have been on the Board of Directors since 2004. I also have served on the Regional Water Authority / Sacramento Groundwater Authority Board and in leadership for 16 years. Additionally, I have been active in ACWA -- as a member of the ACWA Board of Directors, as Chair of ACWA Region 4, and as a member of ACWA's Federal Affairs and Local Government Committees. I also serve on the ACWA-Joint Powers Authority Board, and its Executive and Liability Committees.

In my various leadership roles, I have prioritized connecting, listening, learning, and collaborating to solve critical issues. I strive for cooperation and transparent, open communication. Beyond my roles in the water policy arena, I bring strong skills in the areas of strategic planning, finance, leadership, consensus- and coalition-building, and

in forging strong partnerships between the community and the organizations I serve. As President, I will devote my expertise in water and other professional and personal strengths to advance ACWA's mission and priorities on behalf of the membership.

These are extremely challenging times for California water agencies with critical issues to address, including severe drought, the continued impacts of this Pandemic, and an unpredictable future shaped by climate change. Navigating these issues requires a commitment to seeking collaborative solutions. I have always believed that ACWA's strength is derived from its members and the dedicated boards and staff who serve the public. I will work to support ACWA's members as we develop solutions together. As Vice President, I have learned so much about the membership, and pledge to bring my passion, experience, and skills to the role of ACWA President.

I hope I can count on your support as I seek to become ACWA President. If you have any questions or thoughts, please feel free to call my cell at (916) 275-0875 or email me at petpyrs@surewest.net.

Sincerely,

Pamela Tobin

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ACWA Vice President

ACWA-JPIA Board of Directors: Executive and Liability Committees

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RESOLUTION NO. 489

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CRESTLINE VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT IN SUPPORT OF THE NOMINATION OF CANDIDATE FOR THE POSITION OF ACWA VICE **PRESIDENT**

WHEREAS, ACWA has announced that a Nominating Committee has been formed to develop a slate for the Association's statewide positions of President and Vice President; and

WHEREAS, the individual who fills an officer position will need to have a working knowledge of water industry issues and concerns, possess strength of character and leadership capabilities, and be experienced in matters related to the performance of the duties of the office; and

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WHEREAS, this individual has served in a leadership role; and

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	SOLVED by the Board of Directors of Crestline ort for nomination as a candidate for the
Dated: September 21, 2021	
ATTEST:	President, Crestline Village Water District
Secretary, Crestline Village Water District	