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### **Board Rotation Ensures Ongoing Innovation and Commitment to Customers**

*Beaumont, CA* – The Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District (BCVWD) Board of Directors renewed its dedication to continuing to provide excellent service to the region with new Board appointments, effective January 1, 2024.

The five-member Board plays a vital role in the District's ability to responsibly manage water resources and provide safe, reliable water to the communities of Beaumont and Cherry Valley. Duties include ensuring the implementation of policies and the success of District projects such as long-term planning, water quality and conservation, and system maintenance and upgrades. Board members are elected officials who each serve a four-year term.

"We are fortunate to be led by a team of strong, dedicated Board members with invaluable community, water and public administration experience," said BCVWD General Manager Daniel Jagers. "Their input and guidance are critical to advancing regional water sustainability, such as the recently completed Beaumont MDP Line 16 Project, an award-winning stormwater capture and flood control endeavor that will benefit customers for generations to come."

The Board, which rotates member positions annually, approved the following reorganization for calendar year 2024 at its December 13, 2023, meeting:

#### President John Covington, Division 4

John Covington has managed the Water and Wastewater Departments for the Morongo Band of Mission Indians since 2005. He serves as the Tribal Government Administrator, overseeing other Tribal departments. A veteran of the water industry since 1987, Director Covington possesses extensive water expertise and is well-versed in Tribal water rights (Federally Reserved), state water rights, and statewide resource water management. He has served on the BCVWD Board since 2014.

#### Vice President Daniel Slawson, Division 3

Daniel Slawson is a partner of Winchester Associates, serving as Vice President of Land Surveying. He has cultivated a career in Local Agency improvement design standards, infrastructure planning, parcel and tract mapping, and boundary and construction surveying. Director Slawson is a devoted community collaborator, serving in positions for the San Geronio Pass Regional Water Alliance, the Association of California Water Agencies, and the California Special Districts Association. He has served on the BCVWD Board since 2012.

#### Secretary Lona Williams, Division 2

Lona Williams' professional experience includes medical assistance and decades of highly responsible administrative support, including budget monitoring, records maintenance and other complex responsibilities, at locations such as Banning High School and the City of Banning Public Works Department. Director Williams is a Veteran of the United States Army. She has served on the BCVWD Board since 2018.

Treasurer Andy Ramirez, Division 1

Andy Ramirez is a public servant, currently working as a Public Works and Community Services Director at an area city. Director Ramirez has served in municipal government for more than a decade and began his career in the water industry in the late 1990s, installing water and sewer pipelines. He is adept at simplifying organizational complexities, improving operational and budgetary efficiencies, and building cohesive teams. He has served on the BCVWD Board since 2016.

Director David Hoffman, Division 5

David Hoffman has been a local businessman since 1982, providing products and services in the Calimesa area. His family-run business attracts customers from all over the Inland Empire. Since taking office, Director Hoffman has committed himself to the District, emphasizing fiscal responsibility and sustainability. He has served on the BCVWD Board since 2014, most recently as the 2023 Board President.

Unless otherwise noted, BCVWD Board meetings take place on the second Wednesday and fourth Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. at the BCVWD main office, located at 560 Magnolia Avenue in Beaumont. The meetings are open to the public and the community is encouraged to attend. Virtual participation is also available to the public.

For more information, visit [bcvwd.org](http://bcvwd.org).

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Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District was formed in 1919 and is governed by a publicly elected five-member Board of Directors. BCVWD is an independent special district that provides water service to 59,000 customers in a 28-square-mile service area.

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