



## ***Memo***

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To: Board of Directors  
From: Larrie Ann Davis  
Date: June 9, 2020  
Subject: California Special Districts Association 2021-2023 Board of Directors Election

Attached are copies of the candidate information sheets and candidate biography for the four candidates running for California Special Districts Association 2021-2023 Board Election. The District is allowed one vote for Seat C in the Southern Network. The ballot needs to be cast by July 10, 2020.

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## 2021-2023 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: Six 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.):

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

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4. List civic organization involvement:

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# EAST VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

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## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

David E. Smith  
President

Phillip R. Goodrich  
Vice President

Chris Carrillo  
Director

Ronald L. Coats  
Director

James Morales, Jr.  
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

## Ronald L. Coats – 2020 CSDA Board Candidate Information Sheet

### 1) Involvement with CSDA

- Currently serving 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 President 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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**2021-2023 CSDA BOARD CANDIDATE INFORMATION SHEET**

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

**Name:** Daniel K. Jagers  
**District/Company:** Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District  
**Title:** General Manager  
**Elected/Appointed/Staff:** Staff  
**Length of Service with District:** Eight (8) years

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

None

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

No

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

No

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**4. List civic organization involvement:**

None

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Promoted to the position of General Manager of Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District in October 2017, Dan Jagers brings more than 25 years of professional experience to the District. Prior to this appointment, Mr. Jagers served BCVWD for more than five years as Director of Engineering, overseeing long-range planning, capital improvements, and project design on local and regional levels.

As General Manager, Mr. Jagers directs the activities of the District, moving the District toward its goals while maintaining consistency with the District's mission and vision. Mr. Jagers provides leadership based on the direction set by a five-member elected Board of Directors, manages operations, strategic planning, and policy implementation.

Mr. Jagers' experience as Director of Engineering for BCVWD garnered him the internal knowledge and proficiency to guide and manage the District. He directed and participated in Engineering Department goals and operating policies, provided direction to managers and coordinated all issues needing Board approval or policy direction from the Board of Directors.

A resident of the inland empire for more than 26 years, Dan brings local knowledge and experience to the District. He served as a Senior Engineer at Desert Water Agency, and spent 18 years in the private sector as a Senior Engineering Consultant with Krieger & Stewart, Inc. where he focused on all aspects of public facilities planning, design and construction service including full support services for small to large public infrastructure projects for water, recycled water, wastewater, storm water, site development, and street improvements. From planning, design and construction project management, Mr. Jagers' experience is high level and varied.

Dan's combination of public and private experience make him an asset to BCVWD.

Mr. Jagers graduated from Ohio State University with a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering. He is a Registered Civil Engineer in the State of California and has developed a reputation for trustworthiness, positivity, passion and professionalism.





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## 2021-2023 CSDA BOARD CANDIDATE INFORMATION SHEET

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: 4 years

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

Actively attends conference.

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

ACWA-JPIA Board member - 2 years.

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

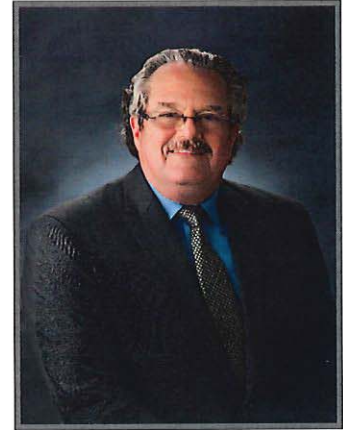
Orange County Sanitation District (Director 2 years); Orange  
County Vector Control (Director 3 years); Villa Park City  
Councilman & Mayor (4 years).

4. List civic organization involvement:

Villa Park Rotary (22 years); Indian Princess (7 years); Elks  
Club (8 years).

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**Greg Mills**  
**Seat C CSDA**  
**Candidate Statement**



**BUSINESS**

- Small business owner – sixteen years
- Analytical Chemist – six years
- Process Engineer – six years
- Technical Marketing Manager – three years
- Marketing Director – three years
- Marketing Executive – five years

**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

- Board Member (Vice President) - Serrano Water District three years
- Villa Park City Councilman – four years; One term Mayor and one term Mayor Pro-Tem (one year each)
- Orange County Sanitation District - Director two years
- Orange County Vector Control District - Director three years
- ACWA-JPIA - Representative Serrano Water District
- Villa Park Family Picnic – five years
  - Chair – three years
- Eagle Scout; Camp Counselor
- Villa Park Rotary - Board member twenty-two years
  - Club President; Paul Harris Fellow; Speaker Chair
- Indian Princess YMCA - seven years
- Orange Elks Lodge – seven years

**PROFFESIONAL**

- American Chemical Society – thirty years
- CS Mantech – eleven years
- PDA (Parenteral Drug Association)– five years
- ISPE (International Society of Pharmaceutical Engineering – eight years
- SEMI (Semiconductor Equipment and Manufacturer Institute – nine years
- Optical Society of America – four years
- MEPTEC
- AVS (American Vacuum Society)
  - ICMCTF

**EDUCATION**

- B.A., Chemistry – Illinois College
  - Phi Alpha President/Vice President
- M.S., Engineering Management – Santa Clara University

**PERSONAL**

- Married – 25 years. Wife: Journalist and active member of the community. One daughter currently at university.



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## 2021-2023 CSDA BOARD CANDIDATE INFORMATION SHEET

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Name: Arlene Schafer

District/Company: Costa Mesa Sanitary District

Title: Board Secretary

Elected/Appointed/Staff: Elected

Length of Service with District: 20

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

Current CSDA Board member, Legislation Committee member, Professional Development Committee member, Alliance Executive Council Committee member, Member Services Committee, Finance Committee member.

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

League, California Association Sanitation Agencies (CASA)

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

Orange County LAFCO Chair, Orange County Council of Governments, Independent Special Districts Orange County

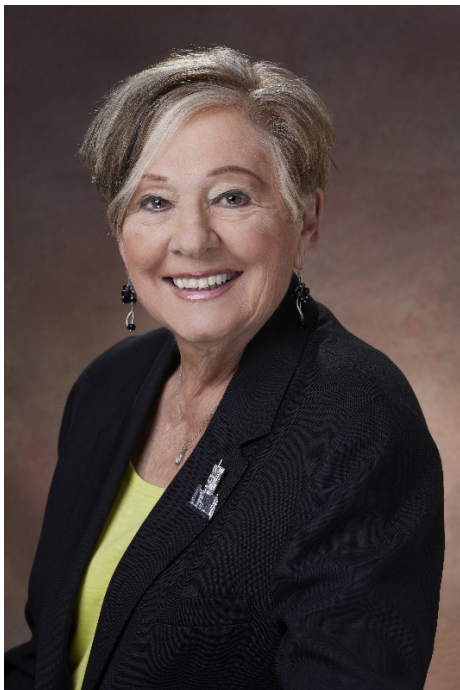
**4. List civic organization involvement:**

Harbor Mesa Lions, Costa Mesa Chamber of Commerce Government Association Committee

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# ELECT ARLENE SCHAFER CALIFORNIA SPECIAL DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION SOUTHERN NETWORK, SEAT C

## Arlene Schafer – Secretary Costa Mesa Sanitary District



### PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE

#### SERVING SPECIAL DISTRICTS

- ◆ OC LAFCO Chair
- ◆ CSDA Board President
- ◆ CSDA Board Vice President
- ◆ CSDA Board Secretary
- ◆ CSDA Finance Corporation
- ◆ CSDA Legislation Committee
- ◆ CSDA Fiscal Committee
- ◆ CSDA Membership Committee
- ◆ Independent Special Districts Orange County (ISDOC) Second Vice President

It has been an honor to serve as your Southern Network, Seat C representative for the past 12 years. I believe my 28 years of experience as a local government leader that includes 20 years serving special districts in a variety of different capacities makes me the best candidate. I believe it is important for CSDA to continue serving as an advocate for California special districts by informing the legislature and the public of the important and essential services we provide to our communities. Furthermore, I believe it's important for special districts to demonstrate good governance that will help earn the public's trust.

Currently, I am serving on the Board of Directors for the Costa Mesa Sanitary District (CMSD) where I have been a Board member for 20 years. CMSD provides solid waste and wastewater collection services to over 116,000 residents residing in the City of Costa Mesa and portions of Newport Beach and the unincorporated Orange County. I am proud to be part of an organization that has been a District of Distinction since 2009, earned the Transparency Certificate of Excellence and CMSD is one of few special districts in California that received Platinum Recognition in Special District Governance.

If re-elected, I will continue to collaborate with CSDA committees to ensure you have educational opportunities to enhance special district governance and help elevate public awareness of the role we play as the form of government closest and most directly accountable to our constituents. I believe my experience, knowledge, dedication and commitment to special districts will enable me to represent you well and I am asking for your vote and support. Please vote for Arlene Schafer by **July 10, 2020.**