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General Voting Instructions:

- 1 You may either vote for the slate recommended by the Region 9 Nominating Committee or vote for individual region board members (please note rules & regulations for specific qualifications). Mark the appropriate box to indicate your decision.
- 2 Complete your agency information. The authorized representative is determined by your agency in accordance with your agency's policies and procedures.

Region 9 Rules & Regulations:

The chair and vice chair shall be elected, one from each area, and the positions shall be rotated between the Western and Arid areas of Region 9.

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Nominating Committee's Recommended Slate

- I concur with the Region 9 Nominating Committee's recommended slate below.

Chair:

- **G. Patrick O'Dowd**, Board Member, Coachella Valley Water District (Arid)

Vice Chair:

- **Harvey R. Ryan**, Board Member, Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District (Western)

Board Members:

- **Steven Farrell**, Director, Crestline Village Water District
- **Joseph J. Kuebler**, Board Member, Eastern Municipal Water District
- **Mary Ann Melleby**, Director, San Geronio Pass Water Agency
- **James Morales Jr.**, Chairman of the Board, East Valley Water District
- **James Ventura Jr.**, Director, Mojave Water Agency

OR

Individual Board Candidate Nominations

(See Rules & Regulations before selecting)

- I do not concur with the Region 9 Nominating Committee's recommended slate. I will vote for individual candidates below as indicated.

Candidates for Chair: (Choose one)

- G. Patrick O'Dowd**, Board Member, Coachella Valley Water District (Arid)

Candidates for Vice Chair: (Choose one)

- Joseph J. Kuebler**, Board Member, Eastern Municipal Water District (Western)
- James Morales Jr.**, Chairman of the Board, East Valley Water District (Western)
- Harvey R. Ryan**, Board Member, Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District (Western)

Candidates for Board Members: (Max of 5 choices)

- Steven Farrell**, Director, Crestline Village Water District
- Joseph J. Kuebler**, Board Member, Eastern Municipal Water District
- Mary Ann Melleby**, Director, San Geronio Pass Water Agency
- James Morales Jr.**, Chairman of the Board, East Valley Water District
- G. Patrick O'Dowd**, Board Member, Coachella Valley Water District
- Harvey R. Ryan**, Board Member, Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District
- James Ventura Jr.**, Director, Mojave Water Agency

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AGENCY NAME

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

DATE

Submit

From: Ana Torres [AnaT@acwa.com]
Sent: Friday, July 31, 2015 9:32 AM
Subject: Polls Open! ACWA Region 9 Election Ballot



Sent via email July 31, 2015

TO: ACWA REGION 9 MEMBER AGENCY BOARD PRESIDENT AND GENERAL MANAGER

Ballot for Region 9 Board Election for the 2016-2017 Term

It is time to elect the 2016-2017 ACWA Region 9 officers and board members who will represent and serve the members of Region 9. Attached, you will find the official ballot which includes the Region 9 Nominating Committee's recommended slate as well as individual candidates running for the Region 9 Board.

Your agency is entitled to cast only one vote. Please review the attached ballot and have your agency's authorized representative cast its vote for the slate as recommended by the Region 9 Nominating Committee **or** cast its vote for an individual Region 9 chair, vice chair and three to five board members.

2016-2017 ACWA Region 9 Ballot is located [HERE](#).
Region 9 Rules and Regulations are located [HERE](#).

Submit the electronic ballot to ACWA by September 30, 2015.
(Ballots received after September 30 will **not** be accepted.)

REMEMBER, YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT. Region 9 board members are elected to represent the issues, concerns and needs of your region. The Region 9 chair and vice chair will serve on ACWA's board of directors for the next two-year term beginning January 1, 2016. Additionally, the newly elected chair and vice chair will make the Region 9 committee appointment recommendations to the ACWA president for the 2016-2017 term. Also, either the chair or vice chair will hold a seat on the ACWA Finance Committee.

If you have questions, please contact your Regional Affairs Representative, Brandon Ida, at brandoni@acwa.com or call 916-441-4545.

Thank you for your careful consideration and participation in the Region 9 election process.

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regulations in accordance with direction from ACWA staff; and will respect the rights and privacy of other attendees. (ACWA Policy & Guideline P, 6.)

Finances

See "Financial Guidelines for ACWA Region Events" document.

Amending the Region Rules & Regulations

ACWA policies and guidelines can be amended by approval of the ACWA Board of Directors.

The Region 9 Rules & Regulations can be amended by a majority vote at any region meeting following advance written notice to member agencies.

ACWA Region 9
Rules & Regulations

Each region shall organize and adopt rules and regulations for the conduct of its meetings and affairs not inconsistent with the Articles of Incorporation or bylaws of the Association (ACWA Bylaw V, 6.).

Officers

The chair and vice chair shall be elected, one from each area, and the positions shall be rotated between the Western and Arid areas of Region 9.

The chair will appoint a secretary to the Board if one is deemed necessary.

When possible, alternates should be selected from the same Arid or Western regions as their corresponding chair or vice chair.

| Western area which shall include: | Arid area which shall include: |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beaumont-Cherry Valley WD (Beaumont) • Chino Basin WCD (Montclair) • Chino Basin Watermaster (Rancho Cucamonga) • City of Corona Dept of Water and Power (Corona) • Crestline Village WD (Crestline) • Crestline-Lake Arrowhead WA (Crestline) • Cucamonga Valley WD (Rancho Cucamonga) • DWP, City of Big Bear (Big Bear Lake) • East Valley WD (San Bernardino) • Eastern MWD (Perris) • Elsinore Valley MWD (Lake Elsinore) • Inland Empire Utilities Agency (Chino) • Jurupa CSD (Mira Loma) • Lake Arrowhead CSD (Lake Arrowhead) • Lake Hemet MWD (Hemet) • Monte Vista WD (Montclair) • Rancho California WD (Temecula) • Riverside County FC & WCD (Riverside) • Riverside Public Utilities (Riverside) • San Bernardino Valley MWD (San Bernardino) • San Bernardino Valley WCD (Redlands) • San Gorgonio Pass WA (Beaumont) • Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority (Riverside) • West Valley WD (Rialto) • Western MWD (Riverside) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apple Valley Foothill CWD (Apple Valley) • Apple Valley Heights CWD (Apple Valley) • Bard WD (Winterhaven) • Big Bear Area Regional Wastewater Agency (Big Bear City) • Big Bear CSD (Big Bear City) • Big Bear MWD (Big Bear City) • Bighorn-Desert View WA (Yucca Valley) • Coachella Valley WD (Coachella) • County of San Bernardino, Special District D (Victorville) • Desert Water Agency (Palm Springs) • Heber PUD (Heber) • Hi-Desert WD (Yucca Valley) • Idyllwild WD (Idyllwild) • Imperial ID (Imperial) • Joshua Basin WD (Joshua Tree) • Mariana Ranchos CWD (Apple Valley) • Mission Springs WD (Desert Hot Springs) • Mojave Water Agency (Apple Valley) • Palo Verde ID (Blythe) • Phelan Pinon Hills CSD (Phelan) • Pinyon Pines CWD (Mountain Center) • Twentynine Palms WD (Twentynine Palms) |

Meetings

The region will hold at least quarterly meetings, including the ACWA spring and fall conferences.

The Region 9 board will set all region meetings.

Any member wanting to add an agenda item for consideration at any Region 9 meeting must submit the information to be discussed at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting to the region chair to ensure that both sides of the issue will be present for consideration and understanding. However, a majority vote of those present, after a quorum is established, may provide for immediate consideration of an issue.

Attendance

If a region chair or vice chair is no longer allowed to serve on the Board of Directors due to his / her attendance, the region board shall appoint from the existing region board a new region officer. (ACWA Policy & Guideline Q, 1.)

If a region chair or vice chair misses three consecutive region board / membership meetings, the same process shall be used to backfill the region officer position. (ACWA Policy & Guideline Q, 1.)

If a region board member has three consecutive unexcused absences from a region board meeting or general membership business meeting, the region board will convene to discuss options for removal of the inactive board member. If the vacancy causes the board to fail to meet the minimum requirement of five board members, the region must fill the vacancy according to its rules and regulations. (ACWA Policy & Guideline Q, 3.)

Vacancy

Should a vacancy occur in the region chair position, the alternate chair shall assume the position.

Should a vacancy occur in the region vice chair position, the alternate vice chair shall assume the position.

When filling a chair or vice chair vacancy, where possible the board will fill the position with a candidate from the correct Arid or Western regions.

Should a vacancy occur in either the alternate chair or the alternate vice chair positions, the region chair shall appoint a replacement from the remaining board members with concurrence from the region board.

Should a vacancy occur in any of the other three remaining board positions, the region chair shall appoint a replacement from a member agency within the appropriate designated area with concurrence from the region board.

Elections

All nominations received for the region chair, vice chair and board positions must be accompanied by a resolution of support from each sponsoring member agency, signed by an authorized representative of the Board of Directors. Only one individual may be nominated from a given agency to run for election to a region board. Agencies with representatives serving on the nominating committees should strive not to submit nominations for the region board from their agency. (ACWA Policy & Guideline P, 2.)

Election ballots will be e-mailed to ACWA member agency general managers and presidents.

The nominating committee shall consist of three to six individuals; and shall have the same number of members from each Western and Arid areas.

The nominating committee shall pursue qualified members within the region to run for the region board and consider geographic diversity, agency size and focus in selecting a slate.

See current region election timeline for specific dates.

Endorsements

ACWA, as a statewide organization, may endorse potential nominees and nominees for appointment to local, regional, and statewide commissions and boards. ACWA's regions may submit a recommendation for consideration and action to the ACWA Board of Directors to endorse a potential nominee or nominee for appointment to a local, regional or statewide commission or board. (ACWA Policy & Guideline P, 3.)

Committee Recommendations & Representation

All regions are given equal opportunity to recommend representatives of the region for appointment to a standing or regular committee of the Association. If a region fails to provide full representation on all ACWA committees, those committee slots will be left open for the remainder of the term or until such time as the region designates a representative to complete the remainder of the term. (ACWA Policy & Guideline P, 4. A.)

At the first region board / membership meeting of the term, regions shall designate a representative serving on each of the standing and regular committees to serve as the official reporter to and from the committee on behalf of the region to facilitate input and communication. (ACWA Policy & Guideline P, 4. B.)

The chair and vice chair shall make all committee appointment recommendations to the ACWA committees, to be ratified by the region board prior to submission to the ACWA president for consideration.

Tours

ACWA may develop and conduct various tours for the regions. All tour attendees must sign a "release and waiver" to attend any and all region tours. Attendees agree to follow environmental guidelines and