

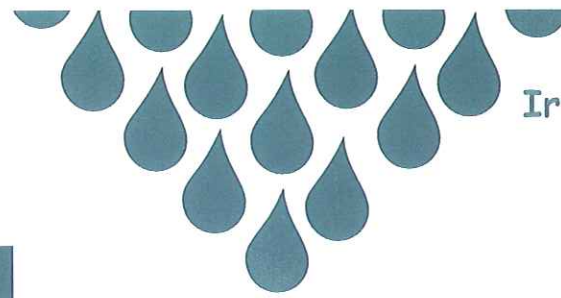


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## **Steve LaMar Appointed to Irvine Ranch Water District Board**

The Irvine Ranch Water District (IRWD) Board of Directors has voted unanimously to appoint Irvine resident Steven E. LaMar to fill the unexpired term of former director Darryl Miller, who resigned in December 2008. LaMar will stand for election in 2010.

LaMar is a water policy and planning expert with over 20 years of experience on statewide business and industry committees and has directly participated in many major water policy forums. He has served on statewide task forces and advisory committees on drought planning, desalination, the California Bay-Delta, the California Water Plan and on water reliability and conservation issues. LaMar is president and owner of LegiSight, LLC, located in Tustin, CA, and is also a principal for Spinner LaMar Associates since 1993. He has served as a water policy leader in the California Building Industry Association since 1993.

The new IRWD board member comes to his position with extensive water policy service. He was a member of the California Water Plan 2009 Advisory Committee and a member of the Delta Vision Stakeholders Coordination Group. He was Chair of the Economic Work Group for the 2006 California Landscape Task Force. He served as member of the 2005 State Water Desalination Task Force, the 2000 Governor's Advisory Drought Planning Panel and Chair of the California Building Industry Association's statewide Water Resources Subcommittee and Task Force.

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LaMar has been honored for achievements and was the recipient of the 2001 Ernest Hahn Achievement Award from the California Business Properties Association, and the Building Industry Association of Southern California's Gary Anderson Memorial Award.

LaMar holds a bachelor's degree in political science from Kansas State College and a certificate from the Environmental Management Institute, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency environmental training program administered by the University of Southern California. He is involved in the local community and is past President of the Orange County Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association.

"We feel that Steve LaMar will prove an excellent addition to the IRWD Board and because of his experience will be able to immediately make significant contributions," said Board President Doug Reinhart. "He was among 41 local citizens who submitted applications for this appointment. Because of the high quality of all of the applicants the other board members and I had a difficult choice to make, but we feel that Steve's diverse background and years of water policy, planning and environmental experience will serve the residents and businesses of our district well."

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*Established in 1961, IRWD serves a population of 330,000 in Irvine and portions of Tustin, Lake Forest, Newport Beach, Costa Mesa, Orange and unincorporated Orange County. IRWD is a California Water District, governed by a publicly elected board of directors. Please visit [www.irwd.com](http://www.irwd.com) for more information.*