NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT

PUBLIC HEARING ON EVALUATING A CHANGE IN THE ELECTIONS PROCESS FOR THE IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND ESTABLISHING DIVISION BOUNDARIES.

NOTICE is hereby given that the IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT (IRWD) will hold a public hearing regarding the District's evaluation of changing the elections process for the IRWD Board of Directors from an at-large method of election to a by-division method of election, and the composition of divisions in accordance with Elections Code Section 10010. The purpose of the hearing will be to invite and solicit public comment on the draft division maps which have been published by the District and the potential sequence of elections for the directors from each division at different times to provide for staggered terms of office.

The draft division maps to be discussed at the hearing have been published and made available at <u>www.irwd.com/about-us/district-election-evaluation-process</u>.

IRWD currently uses an at-large method to elect the members of its Board of Directors. The at-large method allows voters from the entire service area to elect each of the five members of the Board of Directors. A by-division method divides a service area into separate divisions and allows the voters in each division to elect a member of the Board of Directors. Additional information on IRWD's evaluation of by-division elections and the public hearing may be obtained by contacting Leslie Bonkowski, District Secretary at (949)453-5312 or on the IRWD website located at <u>www.irwd.com/about-us/district-election-evaluation-process</u>.

The Board of Directors of IRWD will hold the hearing on Monday evening, April 8, 2019, at 5:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as is reasonably practicable, in the Board Room of the offices of IRWD located at 15600 Sand Canyon Avenue, Irvine.

Dated: March 22, 2019

Leslie Bonkowski, District Secretary, IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT and the Board of Directors thereof