

Attachment to Nomination Form

CANDIDATE: DANA FRIEHAUF

Describe your ACWA-related activities that help qualify you for this office:

For the past 35 years in public water agency work, I have supported, and will continue to support, ACWA and its mission. I currently serve as the Region 10 Board Chair and as a member of the ACWA Board. This past year I served on ACWA's Strategic Planning Task Force to develop a new Strategic Plan for ACWA. For the previous 2022-2023 term, I served as the Region 10 Board Vice-Chair. I have also served on the ACWA Finance Committee, ACWA Finance Education Subcommittee, ACWA Climate Change Working Group and ACWA Board Infrastructure Task Force. During my career at the San Diego County Water Authority, I served as a member of the Water Management Committee, technical working group that drafted water-use efficiency legislation, contributor to 2005 Blueprint, "No Time to Waste", coordinated with Region 10 members to prepare 2014 Drought Report, and presented and served as moderator at past ACWA conferences.

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Region 10 Board Candidate (Vice-Chair) - Nomination Form

DANA FRIEHAUF

Board Member

Santa Fe Irrigation District Board of Directors

Half-page bio summarizing the experience and qualifications that make you a viable candidate for ACWA Region Leadership:



I was honored to have been elected to the Santa Fe Irrigation District Board in November 2020 and appointed to a second term in 2024. During my tenure, I have served as Board Vice-President and a member of the Executive Committee and Administrative and Finance Committee. The SFID Board also unanimously appointed me to represent our agency on the San Diego County Water Authority Board in December 2024. At SDCWA I currently serve as Vice-Chair of the Water Planning and Environmental Committee and a member of the Engineering and Operations Committee and the Resource Strategy Work Group. I have also spent my entire career working in the field of water resources for public water agencies. I retired from SDCWA in March 2019, as a Water Resources Manager, after working 30 plus years in the areas of water planning and policy. Throughout my career at SDCWA and now as an SFID and SDCWA Board member, my priority and passion has been to work collaboratively with others to solve problems and issues. I have been thrilled to serve as Region 10 Vice-Chair and Chair these past two term, where my priority has been to work collaboratively with the Region 10 Board to ensure ACWA is meeting its members' needs, to discuss the critical water issues we face and provide relevant and educational events for the Region 10 membership. I have thoroughly enjoyed working with my colleagues from both San Diego and Orange Counties. As an ACWA Board member, my priority has been to collaborate with ACWA members throughout the state on ensuring ACWA is an effective organization and to also ensure that Region 10 members' issues and concerns are heard at the Board meetings. These are examples of the collaborative leadership skills I would continue to bring to the ACWA Region 10 Board as Vice-Chair, which makes me a highly viable candidate for this position.