



EL DORADO IRRIGATION DISTRICT NEWS RELEASE

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BILL GEORGE, GEORGE OSBORNE SELECTED AS 2012 BOARD OFFICERS ALAN DAY BECOMES EID'S NEWEST BOARD MEMBER

Placerville, Calif. — At its December 12 meeting, the El Dorado Irrigation District Board of Directors selected Bill George as president and George Osborne as vice president for 2012. The new officers began their duties immediately. Alan Day, newly elected board member from El Dorado Hills representing Division 5, also began his term at the meeting.

Director Day received welcome messages from his fellow board members as well as EID General Manager Jim Abercrombie. “I look forward to working with Alan and diving into the issues with him as we move forward doing the district’s business,” said Abercrombie.

Bill George and George Osborne also each began new terms as board members. Mr. George, a resident of Swansboro, begins his third term as Division 3 board member. He served as vice president in both 2006 and 2011 and as president in 2007. Mr. Osborne, a resident of Camino, is the longest serving board member and is beginning his twelfth year as Division 1 board member. He served as board president in 2002, 2003, and 2008 and vice president in 2007.



Judge Daniel B. Proud swears in (from left) George Osborne, Bill George, and Alan Day

Board Adopts Amended Conflict of Interest Code Reflecting Downsized Management Ranks

The board approved revisions of the district’s conflict of interest code to reflect the significant downsizing of district personnel in the last three years, particularly among management and supervisory level employees, and to expand the scope of economic interests that the board and top management are required to disclose.

EID maintains a conflict of interest code that identifies all personnel who make or participate in district decisions that could affect their personal economic interests, and requires those employees to file annual disclosures detailing the interests. The district reviews its conflict of interest code biennially, and updates it as needed.

In the last three years the district has cut its workforce by over 30 percent, reducing staff to below year 2000 levels. The downsizing eliminated 12 positions formerly named in the conflict of interest code, consolidated ten more positions into five, downgraded six management positions, and assigned new duties to some formerly non-reporting positions to allow the district to do more with fewer employees. The amended conflict of interest code reflects these changes, and also conforms the code to long-standing practice by expressly requiring board members, the general manager, general counsel, and all department heads to disclose economic interests in all disclosure categories.

The amended code now goes to the state Fair Political Practices Commission for final review and approval.

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In other business, the Board—

- Heard a presentation and accepted the 2011 annual report by Bob Reeb, of Reeb Government Relations, LLC., on the 2011 state legislative process and his legislative advocacy on the district's behalf. Mr. Reeb discussed the report and recent legislative and administrative developments of interest to the district.
- Adopted a resolution adopting the 2010 United States Bureau of Reclamation Five-Year Water Management Plan Update.
- Authorized funding of a capital improvement plan project for \$125,000 and awarded the purchase of information technology (IT) equipment to CDW Government, Inc., in the amount of \$110,436 to upgrade the server platform hosting many of the district's critical IT services. The remaining funds of \$14,564 are for required materials to complete installation tasks, including cabling and licensing of software tools used to support and maintain the system.

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