

Ventura County Special Districts Association

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President's Message Kara Ralston

Greetings All!

It seems time refuses to slow down and we're already at the first meeting of this new slate of officers! I'm excited to serve with Vice President Jacque McMillan and Treasurer Brian Pendleton and Secretary Brandie Thomas!

Immense respect and gratitude are due to Immediate Past President Bruce Dandy who served well beyond his commitment (and did the last part with a badly twisted arm! LOL). Thank you, Bruce, for leading the way...we are grateful for your leadership!

I would like to thank Al Fox and Brian Pendleton, for their service, and Brian for continuing to serve as Treasurer for another term.

And none of this would happen without the expert leadership of the Secretary position and Kris Sofley has set the bar very high. Thank you, Kris, for such organized and efficient meetings...we will strive to maintain your standards.

As we move on through the year, please let me know your interest in guest speakers and topics that would be beneficial and interesting to the membership.

And finally, WOW...WHAT A LOT OF RAIN! I can imagine that many of our districts have been impacted by the recent series of storms and the subsequent damage caused by flooding, mudslides, and road damage and closures. Thank you for your dedication to the communities you serve.

I'm looking forward to a term full of interest, service and fun...so glad you're along for the ride!

Always, Kara

VCSDA meets on the first Tuesday of every other month:
February, April, June, August,
October, & December

In 2023, all meetings will be held at Camarillo Health Care District

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Please join us April 4, 2023
when we welcome
Guest Speaker Anthony Goff
General Manager of the Calleguas
Municipal Water District



Anthony Goff assumed the role of General Manager of the Calleguas Municipal Water District in July 2019. Prior to his appointment, as a State Water Resources Control Board Grade 5 water treatment operator and a Grade 5 water distribution operator, he served the district in a variety of roles including Manager of Operations and Maintenance and Operations and Water Quality Supervisor.

With over three decades of diverse technical and managerial experience in the water industry, Mr. Goff possesses a solid foundation of practical knowledge and interpersonal skills that enable him to effectively manage the district as it continues to move forward with innovative projects and programs designed to enhance regional water supply reliability in an economically and environmentally responsible manner.

Mr. Goff graduated from California State University, Northridge, with a bachelor's degree in business administration with an emphasis in law. He has been a Ventura County resident since 1971 and currently resides in Camarillo with his wife, Shannon.

Photos from the February 7, 2023 VCSDA Awards Dinner Meeting featuring Guest Speaker Ventura County Sherriff Jim Fryhoff (shown here with Past President Bruce E. Dandy and Treasurer Brian Pendleton



Conejo Recreation and Parks Director **Chuck Huffer was named VCSDA Director of the Year** shown here with VCSDA Awards Committee Elaine Magner and Elaine Freeman and VCSDA Past President Bruce E. Dandy.





VCSDA GM of the Year Mauricio Guardado

of United Water Conservation District shown here with VCSDA Awards Committee Elaine Freeman and Elaine Magner and VCSDA Past President Bruce E. Dandy.

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