Focusing on Regional Collaboration to Secure Water Supplies
Board Members Donald D. Galleano and S.R. “Al” Lopez Retain Seats on Board

RIVERSIDE, Calif. — Western Municipal Water District’s longest tenured Board Members, Donald D. Galleano and S.R. “Al” Lopez, retained their board seats as a result of the November election and were sworn in at the District’s first board meeting in January.

Galleano joined Western’s board in 2005 and represents Division 4, which includes the cities of Norco, Jurupa Valley and Eastvale, and the communities of Mira Loma, Glen Avon and Rubidoux. “My focus is on continued regional partnerships,” Galleano explained. “Collaboration has brought millions in grants and billions of gallons of water through projects like the Chino Desalter expansion; these partnerships work, and we’ll continue to look for more.”

“It’s an honor to represent Western customers for another term,” said Lopez, Division 5 representative (covering the city of Corona, and communities of Home Gardens, El Cerrito and a portion of Temescal Canyon) who joined Western 2001. I’m looking forward to representing our customers at federal, state and local levels with an emphasis on creating and completing water supply projects that will benefit our region for years to come with a careful eye on our ratepayers’ money.

The three additional board members who continue to represent their divisions along with Galleano and Lopez are Brenda Dennstedt, Division 3; Thomas P. Evans, Division 2; and Charles D. Field, Division 1.

The Western board continues to champion water resource projects that help lessen dependence on imported water sources including the Chino Desalter agency collaborative expansion; the Santa Ana River Water Rights at Seven Oaks Dam, a critical, long-term water supply reliability plan by Western in partnership with the San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District; local groundwater augmentation in Murrieta with the renovation of the New Clay Well; and water wheeling from the Bunker Hill Basin collaboration with Riverside Public Utilities.

Western Municipal Water District provides water supply, wastewater disposal and water resource management to the public in a safe, reliable, environmentally sensitive and financially responsible manner.

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