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VID BOARD HOLDS ANNUAL REORGANIZATION MEETING

Howard Williams elected president and Jo MacKenzie elected vice-president for 2010.

Vista, CA—

By a unanimous vote, the Vista Irrigation District (VID) board of directors elected Howard Williams as its president and Jo MacKenzie as its first vice-president for 2010 at its annual reorganization meeting held on January 6, 2010.

Williams has served on the board of directors since July 31, 1991. This will be the fourth time Williams has led the board. He represents Division 4 which encompasses the Shadowridge area of Vista and is generally located between Shadowridge Drive and Highway 78.

In addition to serving as board president, Williams is VID's representative to the San Diego County Water Authority, the region's water wholesaler. In 2009, he served as chair of the district's public affairs committee and as a member of its fiscal policy committee.

Williams came to VID as an award-winning trailblazer in television editorials. He worked for 25 years in United Press International, television and newspapers and won an Emmy for his on-air editorials at Channel 2 in Los Angeles. Williams is also a member of the Palomar Airport Advisory Committee.

MacKenzie, who has served on the Board since December 9, 1992, represents division 5 which stretches from Melrose Drive to San Marcos Blvd. past Twin Oaks Valley Road and up to Buena Creek/Deer Springs Rd. This area encompasses northeast and southeast Vista, the north Twin Oaks Valley and the Bennett area in the city of San Marcos.

MacKenzie is a land use planner and has been active in the Vista and San Marcos communities for many years. Since being elected to the board, she has served as the chairperson of the district's fiscal policy and public affairs committees and has been actively involved with the California Special Districts Association, the Local Agency Formation Commission and the Association of California Water Agencies.

Williams and MacKenzie are joined by directors Marty Miller (division 1), Richard Vasquez (division 2) and Paul Dorey (division 3) to form the VID board of directors.

The Vista Irrigation District is a public agency governed by an elected five-member board. The district provides water service to more than 123,000 people in the city of Vista, and portions of San Marcos, Escondido, Oceanside, and unincorporated areas of the county of San Diego.

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