

News Release

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Board Leadership for Ensuing Term

Concord – At the January 11, 2023, Los Vaqueros Reservoir Joint Powers Authority Board Meeting, the Board voted unanimously to retain the current leadership for the ensuing term.

"It's an honor to continue serving as the Chair of the Los Vaqueros Reservoir JPA. This significant collaboration among the partner agencies has allowed us to reach several important milestones, and we look forward to continuing our efforts into 2023 as we get ready to break ground," said Board Chair Angela Ramirez Holmes.

The Los Vagueros Reservoir IPA leadership includes:

- Chair Angela Ramirez Holmes, representing Zone 7 Water Agency
- Vice Chair Anthea G. Hansen, representing San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority
- Secretary Ellen Wehr, representing Grassland Water District
- Treasurer Paul Sethy, representing Alameda County Water District

Los Vaqueros Reservoir JPA Selects

Angela Ramirez Holmes, Chair Zone 7 Water Agency

Anthea Hansen, Vice Chair San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority

Ellen Wehr, Secretary **Grassland Water District**

Board of Directors

Paul Sethy, Treasurer Alameda County Water District

Ernesto A. Avila Contra Costa Water District

John Coleman

East Bay Municipal Utility District

Dennis Herrera San Francisco Public Utilities Commission

Rebecca Eisenberg (Interim) Santa Clara Valley Water District

Election of the Los Vaqueros Reservoir JPA officers occurs every January at the regularly scheduled Board meeting. Officers serve a one-year term.

The Los Vaqueros Reservoir Joint Powers Authority (JPA) provides governance and administration for the Phase 2 Los Vaqueros Reservoir Expansion Project (Project). The Los Vaqueros Reservoir is an off-stream reservoir owned and operated by the Contra Costa Water District.

The JPA was formed in October 2021 to govern the Project. The Project will increase Bay Area and Central Valley water supply reliability, develop water supplies for wildlife refuges, and improve water quality while protecting Delta fisheries and providing additional Delta ecosystem benefits. When completed, it will increase the Los Vaqueros Reservoir capacity from 160,000 acre-feet to 275,000 acre-feet and add new and modified conveyance facilities to provide environmental, water supply reliability, operational flexibility, water quality, and recreational benefits.

The Project has been approved for \$477 million from California Proposition 1 funds and \$164 million for construction from federal appropriations to date. The remainder of project costs will be covered by additional federal funding and JPA Member contributions. Construction is expected to begin in 2023, pending necessary reviews and approvals, and would continue through 2030.