



Walnut Valley Water District

Press Release

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WALNUT VALLEY WATER DISTRICT APPOINTS JERRY TANG TO SERVE AS BOARD OF DIRECTOR

WALNUT, CA – The Walnut Valley Water District Board of Directors recently appointed Mr. Jerry Tang as its newest member to represent Division I, which includes Walnut and a portion of West Covina.

Mr. Tang, a Walnut resident since 1993, was officially sworn in to office on February 15, 2019 at the District's headquarters in Walnut. Mr. Tang replaces Dr. Allen Wu, who was elected to the Walnut City Council last November and assumed office in December 2018.

Currently, Mr. Tang holds the position of Environmental Scientist in the Technical Services Department of the Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County (Sanitation Districts). His primary responsibilities include assessing and reporting sediment condition, tissue bioaccumulation, and seafood safety monitoring results from the Palos Verdes Shelf (PVS). Mr. Tang is also the project lead for sediment coring activities and represents the Sanitation Districts in the USEPA's PVS Technical Information Exchange Group and the PVS Institutional Controls Program: Fish Contamination Education Collaborative. Additionally, he represents the Sanitation Districts on the State Water Resources Control Board's Stakeholder Advisory Group for the development of Sediment Quality Objectives.

Mr. Tang holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry from the Chung-Yuan Christian University in Taiwan and a Master of Public Health degree in Environmental Health Science from the University of California, Los Angeles.

"Director Tang is a strong addition to the District's Board of Directors. His experience with the Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County combined with his commitment to the community will greatly benefit the District and the citizens we represent," said Walnut Valley Water District Board President, Ed Hilden.

Additionally, Mr. Tang is very active in many community organizations. He is a lifetime member of the Southern California Chinese-American Environmental Protection Association and an active member of Chinese Institute of Engineers Southern California Chapter. Mr. Tang has attended the Rowland Heights Community Christian Church since 1998 and held multiple leadership roles during his time there.

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All five of the Board of Directors are responsible for setting District policy and for establishing long-range goals and direction for the District. For more information on the Walnut Valley Water District Board of Directors, please visit www.wvwd.com.

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In 1952, the Walnut Valley Water District was formed under State law to provide a supply of water for the people in this area. In 1955, after beginning the development of the water supply system, the District provided potable water to 21 service connections with an approximate population of less than 800 in the local area.

Today, after nearly seven decades of service to the community, the District operates and maintains two large imported potable water pipelines, 457 miles of distribution mains, 18 pump plants, and 31 reservoirs with a storage capacity of 87.4 million gallons of water serving over 26,600 connections. The District also operates and maintains a recycled water distribution system consisting of 40 miles of distribution mains, 2 pump plants, 3 wells, and 3 reservoirs with a storage capacity of 4 million gallons of water serving over 200 connections. The District provides water service to an area encompassing 17,900 acres, serving a population of over 100,000 residents and businesses in six local communities.