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## GENERAL MANAGER RECEIVES INDUSTRY HIGH AWARD

It is with great honor that the District acknowledges contributions to the water industry by Mike Gualtieri, General Manager. In October 2017 Mr. Gualtieri received the highest honor from California-Nevada Section-American Water Works Association (CA/NV-AWWA) with the presentation of the George A. Elliott Memorial Award. This award is in recognition for demonstrating outstanding service to CA/NV-AWWA through creativity, exceptional effort and innovation to improve water reliability, safety and public confidence. Created in 1949 this award recognizes outstanding volunteer achievement and named for George A. Elliott who established this organization in 1920. Mr. Elliott served as the first president of CA/NV-AWWA from 1920-1922.



Since 2006, Mr. Gualtieri has served as chairman of the CA/NV-AWWA semi-annual conferences. These conferences provide education and innovation to those who work in the water industry. They are a critical piece to keeping the industry updated on the latest technology and networking across multiple agencies serving water to the states of California and Nevada.

Below are additional awards Mr. Gualtieri has achieved throughout the years of his tenure:

- 1991 Associates of Water Science from Santa Ana College
- 1992 State of California Water Treatment Operator Grade T3
- 2001 State of California Water Distribution Operator Grade D4
- 2002 Bachelor of Science in Business Management
- 2005 LAC Chair for CA/NV-AWWA Spring Conference
- 2009 Excellence in Leadership CA/NV-AWWA
- 2012 CA/NV-AWWA Section Leadership Award
- 2012-2013 Southern California Water Utilities Association (SCWUA) President
- 2013 CA/NV-AWWA Don Kaiser Volunteer of the Year
- 2014 SCWUA-Doctor of Water
- 2014 CA/NV-AWWA Chair's Award
- 2017 SCWUA-President's Award
- 2017 Leadership Essentials for the Water Industry Certificate-ACWA/JPIA



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## CONSERVATION LIFESTYLE

**Good Habits** - Californians have made great strides in their commitment to water conservation and are embracing wise water use as a daily habit. From taking shorter showers to transforming landscapes with California friendly plants, Californians are showing that conservation still matters and that even the smallest changes can have a big impact.

### Californians know. Water Conservation. It's For Life.



**Install A High-Efficiency Toilet**  
Saves 19 gallons  
Per person/day.



**Fix Leaks**  
Saves 110 gallons  
each month.



**Use a Broom to Clean Outdoor Areas**  
Saves 8–18  
gallons/minute.

## IN MEMORIAM TO TIMOTHY LYONS

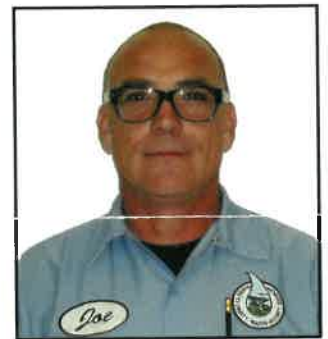


It is with deep sorrow that we inform the passing of one of our long term employees, Timothy Lyons. Mr. Lyons family has been an integral part of the District's past as his father, Richard Lyons, former superintendent worked at the District as well. Tim Lyons worked in the field as Utility Worker I for 13 years. He obtained his State of California Water Distribution Operator-Grade D1 certificate. We will miss Mr. Lyons as he was very conscientious and hard working. His genuine care, support and concern for others was unmistakably his greatest attributes.

He is survived by his wife, Stephanie, and son, Joshua. Additional survivors are his mother, Georgeanne Lyons and two sisters. He is preceded in death by his father Richard Lyons.

## PROMOTION TO JOSEPH MATTHEWS

We are proud to announce the promotion of Joseph Matthews to Superintendent of the District. Mr. Matthews has worked for the District for the past 13 years. He was promoted through the years starting as a Utility Worker I and quickly moving up to a Utility Worker III. Certificates held since 2006 is the State of California Water Distribution Operator, Grade D3 and Treatment Operator, Grade T3 since 2008. He has filled the duties of Superintendent with endeavor since his promotion.



Mr. Matthews graduated from Northview High School in Covina, California and attended Mount San Antonio College to further his education. He lives in Glendora with his wife, Tish. He has three daughters, one son and four grandchildren.

### **Mission of the District**

*To provide high quality potable water service at a reasonable cost to the public residing within the District boundaries.*

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