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## MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT OF ORANGE COUNTY ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

*Fountain Valley, CA* (December 8, 2021) – The Municipal Water District of Orange County (MWDOC) Board of Directors elected Megan Yoo Schneider to serve as President and Robert R. "Bob" McVicker to serve as Vice President for 2022.

Director Schneider was first elected to the MWDOC Board in November 2016 and re-elected in 2020. She represents MWDOC Division 7, which serves the cities of Aliso Viejo, Dana Point, Laguna Beach, Laguna Hills, Laguna Niguel, Mission Viejo, San Clemente, and San Juan Capistrano.

"I am honored to serve in this role as we work to ensure a sustainable, resilient, and reliable supply of high-quality water for Orange County," stated President Schneider. "The ongoing drought plaguing California and the Colorado River Basin highlights the importance of water use efficiency, education, and regional collaboration to manage and preserve our limited supplies for today and future generations."

President Schneider is a registered Professional Engineer, and she is currently in a Client Account Leadership role with Accenture where she serves as a champion for utilities, energy, and natural resources industry clients from innovation strategy to industry transformation. Since 2004, she has served in a number of leadership roles, including Committee Chair, Ad-Hoc Vice Chair, member of the Committee Leadership Council, and member of several Steering Committees, the Water Environment Federation (WEF), Past President and board member of the Santa Ana River Basin Section, and on the board of directors for the California Water Environment Association (CWEA). She currently serves as President-Elect on the board of directors for CWEA and as Co-Chair of the WEF Board of Trustees Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee. She is also a member of the American Water Works Association and a voting member of the National Science Foundation Drinking Water Advisory Joint Committee. Director Schneider invests much of her time educating others about the importance of water and has received numerous awards and accolades for her efforts. President Schneider served as Vice President of the MWDOC Board in 2021 and chaired MWDOC's Planning & Operations and Public Affairs & Legislative Committees.

Vice President McVicker was appointed to the MWDOC Board in June 2019 and elected in November 2020. He represents Division 3, which serves the cities of Cypress, Fountain Valley, Los Alamitos, Stanton, Westminster, the western portion of Garden Grove, and nearby portions of unincorporated Orange County. Vice President McVicker is a registered professional civil engineer and brings 37 years of experience in the water industry through employment with water agencies, engineering consulting firms, and private regulated water utilities in Orange County and Los Angeles County. He has served as chair of the MWDOC Administration & Finance Committee and Planning & Operations Committee.

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**The Municipal Water District of Orange County (MWDOC)** is a wholesale water provider and resource planning agency whose efforts focus on sound planning and appropriate investments in water supply development, water use efficiency, public information, legislative advocacy, water education, and emergency preparedness.

*MWDOC's service area includes all of Orange County with the exception of Anaheim, Santa Ana, and Fullerton. MWDOC serves Orange County through 27 retail water agencies.* 

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