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**POLICY PROFESSOR RANDALL CRANE, Ph.D.  
SEATED AS MWDOC DIRECTOR OF DIVISION 5**

**Fountain Valley, CA** (December 6, 2022) – Dr. Randall Crane brings decades of public policy experience with him as he takes his seat on the Board of Directors at the Municipal Water District of Orange County (MWDOC or District).

Director Crane, a policy scholar, water consultant, and UCLA professor, has worked on complex water challenges worldwide. He has taught water management to a generation of graduate students at UCLA and UCI, and his works on urban development and governance are widely published.

“I look forward to working for the public with my colleagues on the Board, the entire MWDOC team, and our 27 member cities and agencies,” said Crane. “The transparent management of our deeply climate-stressed supplies is my top priority. With fresh, collaborative, and diverse expertise, we can ensure a safe, reliable, and sustainable water future for Orange County.”

Director Crane was elected to represent MWDOC’s Division 5, which includes the cities of Aliso Viejo, Laguna Hills, Laguna Woods, and portions of Dana Point, Irvine, Laguna Beach, Laguna Niguel, Lake Forest, Mission Viejo, Newport Beach, and Unincorporated Orange County.

Raised in California and a 1st generation college graduate, Director Crane’s Ph.D. is from MIT. He lives with his wife Marta, an architect, in Irvine, where they raised their two sons, now adults.

Two additional Directors won their reelections and will continue serving on the MWDOC board. Director Larry Dick was reelected to serve a sixth term for Division 2, which includes the Cities of Garden Grove, Orange, Tustin, Villa Park, and unincorporated North Tustin. Director Al Nederhood, who represents Division 1, won reelection facing no challenger. Division 1 includes the service areas of Brea, Buena Park, portions of Golden State Water Company, La Habra, La Palma, and the Yorba Linda Water District (YLWD).

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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, water use efficiency and conservation, public information and outreach, legislative advocacy, water education for all ages, and emergency preparedness. MWDOC's 27 retail water agencies, comprised of city water departments and water districts, provide retail water services to the public.***