



County of San Mateo

Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Department: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
DISTRICT 4
File #: 24-096

Board Meeting Date: 2/13/2024

Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors
From: President Warren Slocum, District 4
Subject: Appointment to the Bay Area Water Supply & Conservation Agency

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommendation for the appointment of Darin Duncan to the Bay Area Water Supply & Conservation Agency (BAWSCA) for an initial partial term effective immediately through June 30, 2025.

BACKGROUND:

BAWSCA was created on May 27, 2003, to represent the interests of 24 cities and water districts, and two private utilities, in Alameda, Santa Clara, and San Mateo counties that purchase water on a wholesale basis from the San Francisco regional water system.

The two private utilities that have appointees to the BAWSCA board are Stanford University and California Water Service Company. California Water Code section 81336(c)(1) provides that the Board of Supervisors of San Mateo County shall appoint one member to the board who is an officer or employee of the California Water Service Company.

DISCUSSION:

Darin Duncan is being recommended to serve an initial partial term through June 30, 2025, being vacated by Thomas Smegal effective as of date of Mr. Duncan's appointment. The California Water Service Company and BAWSCA are requesting that Darin Duncan be appointed to the BAWSCA board as the officer or employee representative.

Darin Duncan currently serves as the Company's Central Region Operations Director. In this role, he has operational oversight of the company's water systems in the greater bay area. Darin has previously served in various leadership roles in Engineering, Operations, and Regulatory Affairs at Cal Water including managing the Company's Bayshore and Bear Gulch Districts, which serve the cities of South San Francisco, Colma, San Mateo, San Carlos, Atherton, Portola Valley, Menlo Park, Woodside, and various areas in the county of San Mateo.

He is a registered Civil Engineer with experience in water system design, operations, construction, and optimization. Darin is a State of California Certified Distribution Operator level D5 and Certified Water Treatment Operator level T3.

Darin is the responsible managing employee for the company's state contractor's license and holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from Santa Clara University. Darin is married with 2 children and lives in San Mateo.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.