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GOLETA WATER DISTRICT CREATES NEW ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER POSITION AND FILLS POST

GOLETA, California – On Tuesday, January 12, 2010, the Goleta Water District voted to create an Assistant General Manager position that will report to the District’s General Manager and have direct responsibility for managing the District’s Administration and Operations Managers and Engineering division staff. William Rosen, President of the Board of Directors of the Water District, said “this is an essential position for the District and I am very pleased that the Board unanimously approved its creation.”

George T. Eowan Ph.D. has been hired to fill the new Assistant General Manager position and will begin work on January 25, 2010.

“We’re extremely fortunate that Dr. Eowan has decided to join our administrative team here at the District,” said John McInnes, Goleta Water District General Manager. “We needed someone with a demonstrated and successful track record of managing technical staff and complex programs and projects.”

Dr. Eowan comes to the Goleta Water District from Environ Strategies Consultants, Inc. and Integrated Recycling, Inc. where he served as Vice President and President, respectively. Environ Strategies Consultants is a full service environmental engineering company specializing in several disciplines including water/wastewater engineering and management and groundwater assessment/remediation. Similarly, Integrated Recycling, Inc. is a solid waste management consulting firm specializing in regulatory affairs, planning, permitting, engineering and operations. Dr. Eowan has also served previously as Vice President of California Waste Recovery Systems, Chief Executive Officer of the California Integrated Waste Management Board, Senior Consultant to the Senate Finance Committee of the California Legislature, Manager of International Research & Development Coordination for the Gas Research Institute and as an Instructor at the University of Southern California.

Dr. Eowan said he is excited to begin working for the District. “Like other agencies throughout California, the Goleta Water District faces a range of critical issues, including water supply and conservation, which demand sound policy decisions and effective execution. I’m confident that my experience as a practitioner and teacher in public administration, policy and program implementation will assist in addressing these critical issues.”

The Goleta Water District’s service area spans 29,000 acres from the western edge of the City of Santa Barbara to El Capitan. The District provides water to a population of over 80,000 and has an annual operating budget in excess of \$25 million.

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