

September 4, 2017

San Juan Water District
Attention: Board Secretary

Please accept this letter and the enclosed resume as expressed interest in the vacancy on the San Juan Water District Board of Directors. As a registered professional civil engineer with over 37 years of experience with the California Department of Water Resources, I have an in-depth background in the California water business as well as that of a career public servant. The diversity of positions held during my professional career with DWR provides a unique combination of qualities and experience, particularly my past ten plus years in operations and maintenance, and before that in the financial arm of the State Water Project.

I am a 29-year resident of Orangevale which provides a historic citizen's perspective on the management of local water system operations. I am keenly aware of the stress the recent drought has placed on local water utilities' ability to effectively maintain their infrastructure with decreasing revenues. Hard decisions must be made to evaluate system risks, establish priorities, and maintain strong leadership and a competent and committed workforce.

I am retiring from DWR this coming November and am looking forward to opportunities to share my experience to benefit the water industry. I look forward to meeting with you to discuss my qualifications.

Enclosure

Professionally Yours,

/s/

David M. Samson

RESUME

David M. Samson, P. E.



EDUCATION: Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering, Santa Clara University – 1980

EXPERIENCE: 37+ years professional experience with the CA Department of Water Resources.
Retirement effective November 2, 2017

January 2007- Present Principal Engineer, Chief, Civil Engineering Services (CES)
Division of Operations and Maintenance (O&M)

Manage civil engineering, right of way, and environmental services provided to O&M's five field divisions through subordinate CES branches and specialists. Program Manager for the State Water Project (SWP) Dam Safety, Perris Dam Remediation, and Aquatic Nuisance Species Surveillance and Management Programs. Responsible for managing regulatory compliance with DWR's Federal Energy Regulatory Commission hydropower licenses and the State's Division of Safety of Dams. Provide leadership and resources to assist the development and implementation of O&M's risk-based Asset Management Program, which includes the incorporation of sound and objective infrastructure condition assessment practices. Participant on O&M management team tasked with developing and integrating the SWP Strategic Plan and Asset Management Program with improved project management practices.

April 2001- December 2006 Supervising Engineer, SWP Program Coordinator
State Water Project Analysis Office (SWPAO)

Coordinated special programs involving the planning, design and construction of new additions and major infrastructure modifications to the SWP. Negotiated agreements to initiate program approval, cost allocation, and repayment provisions. Provided liaison support for the various participant DWR divisions and the State Water Contractors (SWCs) throughout the life of the program. Developed and implemented policy and procedure improvements to support Program Managers in the initiation and management of SWP funded programs. Prepared Joint Powers Agreements for SWCs to operate and maintain SWP infrastructure. Provided technical advice and consultation on Department policy and organizational direction to the SWPAO Chief.

November 1998- March 2001 Supervising Engineer, Program/Project Manager, East Branch Extension (EBX)
Division of Engineering

Managed the scheduling, budgeting, acquisition of resources, and implementation of the design and construction of the \$125 Million EBX, Phase I project improvements (14 equipment and construction contracts), and Phase II planning. Collaborated with the client SWCs, multiple DWR Divisions, and local public works departments and utilities. Assured compliance with environmental laws, secured permits, coordinated utility relocations, and obtained project right-of-way to facilitate timely completion of the work. Provided technical presentations and progress reports to DWR's Executive Managers, the SWCs, and presided over public meetings.

September 1997- Supervising Engineer, Technical Services Branch

November 1998 CALFED Bay-Delta Program

Managed program planning for storage and conveyance facility evaluations during Phase II of the CALFED Bay-Delta Program. Work included feasibility analyses, cost estimates and implementation strategies for infrastructure improvements considered by the program. Managed special studies to support the facility impact analyses and CALFED's common program objectives. Support studies included Delta simulation modeling performed in DWR and North Delta flood control modeling performed by USACOE and consultants. Provided input to the Programmatic EIS/EIR documents and coordinated responses to public comments. Participated in CALFED's public outreach endeavors and delivered presentations to stakeholders.

June 1996- Senior Engineer, Job Manager, EBX Project Team

August 1997 Division of Engineering

Led a multi-discipline design staff on the EBX, Phase I project team. Managed and directed electrical, mechanical, and civil engineers, architects, and contract administration staff assigned to design the three EBX pump stations. The team prepared design criteria and developed plans and specifications, coordinated field investigations, and supported CEQA compliance. Planned, developed, and managed schedule, budget, scope of work, and provided project status to the client SWCs.

January 1992- Senior Engineer, Assistant to the Chief of the Design Office

May 1996 Design Office, Division of Design and Construction

Design Office Line Management and Overhead Program Manager. Coordinated workload analyses for projecting resource requirements to assure timely and cost effective completion of work. Developed and managed service contracts; coordinated strategic reorganization plans.

April 1983- Associate Engineer. Plants and Pipelines Branch,

December 1991 Division of Design and Construction

Design Engineer for major SWP power and pumping plant facilities responsible for design analyses, preparing contract drawings and specifications, and providing design support during construction.

July 1980- Assistant / Jr. Civil Engineer. Flood Forecasting Branch,

March 1983 Division of Flood Management

Hydrologist responsible for California river flood forecasting; developed computer simulation models used to predict river stages and flows; developed data collection routines to be incorporated with the statewide microwave network of climate stations and river gauges.

AFFILIATIONS: Registered Professional Engineer, License C37147
Member: American Society of Civil Engineers