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Regional Water Authority Elects New Officers for 2012 *San Juan Water District Chair, Roseville Mayor Set to Guide Region*

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – Pamela Tobin, chair of the San Juan Water District Board of Directors, has been elected chair of the Regional Water Authority (RWA) Board of Directors for 2012. Pauline Roccucci, mayor of the City of Roseville, has been elected vice chair.

Tobin, who has been a member of RWA's board since 2005 and was elected to its Executive Committee in 2011, has served on San Juan Water District's board since 2004. She served two consecutive terms as chair of the Sacramento Groundwater Authority in 2007 and 2008.

As chair of RWA's board, Tobin will guide regional efforts to improve water supply reliability, enhance water quality and protect the health of the lower American River through the American River Basin Integrated Regional Water Management Plan. She will also help lead RWA's efforts to represent the region in key policy decisions affecting the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta.

“We know 2012 will be an important year for decisions at the statewide level that could affect water supplies for our region and the cost of delivering water to our customers,” Tobin said. “RWA has a key role to play in engaging in these issues and aggressively preserving our water rights for agriculture, business and residential needs now and for the future.”

Roccucci, who was elected RWA's vice chair for 2012, previously served on RWA's Executive Committee and was RWA chair in 2005. She served two terms as chair of the Placer County Water Agency and served previous stints as Roseville mayor and as a member

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of the Roseville City Council. She was elected to the city council again in 2008 and became mayor in 2010.

In addition to Tobin and Roccucci, the following local water leaders have been elected to the 2012 RWA Executive Committee: Bob Churchill, Citrus Heights Water District; Bill George, El Dorado Irrigation District; Ron Greenwood, Carmichael Water District; Rob Roscoe, Sacramento Suburban Water District; Debra Sedwick, Del Paso Manor Water District; Dan Sherry, City of Sacramento; and Andy Soulé, California American Water.

RWA is a joint powers authority representing 24 water providers and affiliated agencies in the greater Sacramento area. Its primary mission is to help its members protect and enhance the reliability, availability, affordability and quality of water resources.

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