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## Annual VWD Board reorganization taps Shell for 2008 Board President

San Marcos, CA - Shortly after the regular Board meeting for Wednesday, Dec. 5, 2007, was called to order, Vallecitos Water District (VWD) Board Directors voted to move forward with their annual reorganization. Unanimously, they elected to pass the gavel to Tim Shell to serve as president and Trish Hannan vice president for 2008.

Accompanying the new leadership will be changes to the standing Committee assignments for each director. The president recommends each committee member for Board concurrence. The Committees represent another important aspect to operating the District.

President Shell, Division 1, was first elected to the Board in December 2004, with his current term expiring in 2008. Shell is a Registered Professional Engineer, earning experience in the water industry during his seven years of employment at the San Diego County Water Authority. He was raised in Harmony Grove - just outside San Marcos and Escondido - and attended local schools, including Escondido High School and Palomar College. He was a valedictorian at his high school, and he graduated Summa Cum Laude from San Diego State University with a bachelor's degree in civil engineering. He's also earned an MBA, with government-management emphasis, from CSU San Marcos. He is currently employed as a Principal Engineer with the City of Vista, where he was honored with the City Manager's Award of Excellence. Shell has served as a member of the District Finance/Investment and Public Awareness/Personnel/Policy Committees, District Representative to the California Association of Sanitation Agencies (CASA) and Western Coalition of Arid States (WESTCAS). Director Shell lives in the Escondido Country Club area with Kim, his wife of 17 years, daughter Arianna and son Joseph.

Vice President Hannan, Division 2, initially had a seat on the VWD Board from February 1997 to November 1998. She was later appointed in 1999 and first elected in 2002. Her current term expires in 2010. Hannan serves as a District Delegate to the Encina Wastewater Authority (EWA), Delegate to the Association of California Water Agencies Joint Powers Insurance Authority (ACWA/JPIA), and Secretary to the San Diego Section of the California Special District Association (CSDA). She also serves as president of the San Diego County Water Agencies Association (SDCWAA), Alternate to the National Water Resources Association (NWRA) and has served as a Special District Advisory Member of the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO). She is the past president of the local Boys & Girls Club, Soroptomist Club, and San Marcos Kiwanis and has been active in San Marcos for more than 25 years. Director Hannan is a retired local business owner, and lives in the west central part of the District with her husband Al.

Shell and Hannan are joined by Directors Betty Ferguson, Division 4, Darrell Gentry, Division 5, and Jim Poltl, Division 3, to form VWD's five-member board. They meet regularly the first and third Wednesday of the month. Open to the public, the board meetings start at 4 p.m. in the VWD Administrative, Operations, and Maintenance Facility, 201 Vallecitos de Oro, in San Marcos.

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*Vallecitos Water District is an independent, special district dedicated to providing water, wastewater and reclamation services to approximately 80,650 people in a 45-square-mile area that includes San Marcos; the community of Lake San Marcos; portions of Carlsbad, Escondido and Vista; and other surrounding unincorporated areas. The public is invited to board meetings, taking place at 4 p.m. the first and third Wednesday of each month at VWD's Administration, Maintenance, and Operations Facility - 201 Vallecitos de Oro, San Marcos.*