

SAMPLE BALLOT AND INFORMATION PAMPHLET

CONSOLIDATED UNIFORM DISTRICT ELECTION LAW (UDEL) ELECTION



TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2009

IT'S QUICK — IT'S EASY
IT'S CONVENIENT
GET OUT OF LINE ON ELECTION DAY!
VOTE-BY-MAIL
OCTOBER 5 — OCTOBER 27
APPLICATION ON BACK

POLLING PLACE LOCATION ON
BACK COVER
POLLS OPEN
NOVEMBER 3, 2009
7:00 A.M. TO 8:00 P.M.

LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE
OCTOBER 19, 2009

REMINDER

*If You Have Not Mailed Your Voted Ballot Before Election Day It
May Be Dropped Off At Any Polling Place In The County Or At The
Registrar Of Voters Office By 8 P.M. On Election Day To Count.*

POSTMARK NOT ACCEPTED

AVISO IMPORTANTE

Una traducción en Español de esta Balota Ejemplar y Folleto de información al
Votante puede obtenerse en la oficina del Registro de Votantes Llame al
(951) 486-7200 o 1(800) 773-VOTE (8683)

2724 Gateway Drive, Riverside, CA 92507

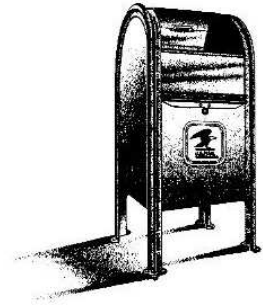
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REGISTRAR OF VOTERS



COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

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VOTE-BY-MAIL



Did You Know...

- Any voter can vote-by-mail
- You can opt to vote-by-mail once or chose to receive all future ballots by mail
- Vote-by-mail ballots are mailed to voters up to 29 days before Election Day
- A vote-by-mail voter can check online to see if the Registrar has received their ballot
- Vote-by-mail ballots can be returned by mail or at any polling place in the County
- The back of this pamphlet includes a vote-by-mail application



IMPORTANT NOTICES TO VOTERS



PUBLIC SERVICE HOURS

The Registrar of Voters office is **CLOSED EVERY FRIDAY.**
New hours of operation are Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

EARLY VOTING

Early voting will be available at the Registrar of Voters office, October 5 – November 2, Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; and Election Day, November 3, 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.





BARBARA DUNMORE
Registrar of Voters

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web site www.voteinfo.net

REGISTRAR OF VOTERS COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

Dear Riverside County Voter:

Your Consolidated Uniform District Election Law (UDEL) Election ballot may contain contests for school districts, community college districts, special districts, city offices and/or measures. Information in this Sample Ballot and Voter Information Pamphlet will assist you in making informed choices when marking your ballot. You may mark your selections on your sample ballot and take it with you to the polls for reference to easily and quickly complete your official ballot. Whether you go to the polls or use a vote-by-mail ballot, the paper ballot is the same. Additionally, one electronic accessible voting unit will be available at each polling location for any voter's use.

The additional information below is to ensure your ballot is counted promptly and accurately.



Polling Place

Your polling place is listed on the back cover of this pamphlet. Polling places will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Election Day, November 3rd.



Marking Your Ballot

Voter selections are indicated by connecting the arrow to the right of the candidate's name for whom you wish to vote or connecting the arrow to the right of YES or NO for a measure. Illustrated marking instructions are contained in this pamphlet and a demonstration is available on our website at www.voteinfo.net.

Can't make it to the polls?



Vote at the Registrar of Voters Office

You may obtain and cast your ballot at the Registrar of Voters Office at 2724 Gateway Drive in Riverside, Monday through Thursday beginning October 5th from 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and on Election Day, November 3rd from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.



Vote-by-Mail

An application for a vote-by-mail ballot is located on the back cover of this pamphlet. Vote-by-mail ballots may be voted and returned at your convenience but must reach the Registrar of Voters Office no later than the close of polls on Election Day (Postmark not accepted). For voter convenience, completed ballots can be dropped off inside the Registrar of Voters Office daily during business hours or 24 hours a day in the locked drop box outside our main entrance. **Ballots received after 8 p.m. on Election Day cannot be counted.**

Should you have any questions concerning this UDEL Election please use the contact information at the top of this letter to reach our office.

We look forward to counting your vote with your participation on November 3rd.

Sincerely,

Barbara Dunmore
Registrar of Voters

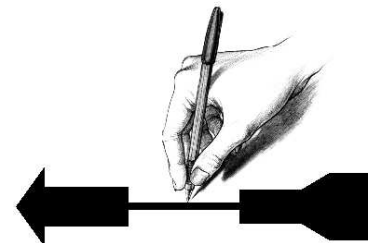
IMPORTANT NOTICE!!!

Please refer to the following instructions on how to properly complete your official ballot.

HOW TO MARK YOUR PAPER BALLOT

- ✓ Connect the head and tail of the arrow that points to your choice, like the example provided, also check both front and back of ballot for voting contests
- ✓ Use a black ball point pen. Do not use felt tip, red or gel ink
- ✓ One line connecting the arrow is preferred
- ✓ Vote for no more than the number of candidates allowed in each contest for the contest to be counted (e.g. vote for one, vote for no more than two, etc.)
- ✓ Please keep the ballot folded the same way as you received it

TO MARK YOUR VOTE DRAW A LINE



VOTE!!!

For a demonstration on marking your ballot
please visit our website at www.voteinfo.net



DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO IS NOT REGISTERED TO VOTE?

You can register to vote by:
Requesting a registration card to be mailed to you
OR

By filling out a registration card online, just print, sign and mail it to our office.

You can also check to see if you are registered by calling our office at

1-800-773-VOTE(8683)

OR

Visit our web site at www.voteinfo.net

SAMPLE BALLOT / BALOTA EJEMPLAR

CONSOLIDATED UDEL ELECTION / ELECCIÓN CONSOLIDADA DE UDEL

November 3, 2009 / 3 de noviembre de 2009

Mark your choices on your sample ballot, then refer to it when you vote / Marque sus opciones en su balota ejemplar y folleto de información, luego, refiérase a el cuando esté votando

SCHOOL / ESCOLAR	
BANNING UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT DISTRITO ESCOLAR UNIFICADO DE BANNING	
Governing Board Member Miembro Junta Gobernante	
Vote for no more than Two Vote por no más de Dos	
MELODIE REESE School Administrative Secretary Secretaria administrativa escolar	←
WENDELL D. BAINTE Retired Educator Educador jubilado	←
ALICE SILVERMAN Incumbent Titular	←
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	←
	←
CITY / CIUDAD	
CITY OF DESERT HOT SPRINGS CIUDAD DE DESERT HOT SPRINGS	
Mayor Alcalde	
Vote for One Vote por Uno	
YVONNE PARKS Mayor, Desert Hot Springs Alcalde de Desert Hot Springs	←
RUSSELL BETTS Councilman / Business Owner Concejal / Propietario de empresa	←
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CITY OF DESERT HOT SPRINGS CIUDAD DE DESERT HOT SPRINGS	
City Council Member Miembro del Concejo Municipal	
Vote for no more than Two Vote por no más de Dos	
JAN PYE Financial Analyst Analista financiera	←
ROBERT "BOBBY" BENTLEY Independent Paralegal / Businessman Asistente jurídico independiente / Empresario	←
TERRY SCHEURER City Commissioner / Businessman Comisionado municipal / Empresario	←
SCOTT MATAS Small Business Owner Propietario de pequeña empresa	←
RUSS MARTIN Retired Police Sergeant Sargento de policía jubilado	←
	←
	←
DISTRICT / DISTRITO	
DESERT WATER AGENCY AGENCIA DE AGUA DE DESERT	
Director Director	
Vote for no more than Three Vote por no más de Tres	
JAMES CIOFFI Appointed Incumbent Titular nombrado	←
PATRICIA "PAT" OYGAR Incumbent Titular	←
ARMANDO RANCANO Management Consultant Consultor de administración	←
RON STARRS Incumbent Titular	←
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SAMPLE BALLOT / BALOTA EJEMPLAR

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DISTRICT / DISTRITO	
MISSION SPRINGS WATER DISTRICT DISTRITO DE AGUA DE MISSION SPRINGS	
Director Director	
Vote for no more than Two Vote por no más de Dos	
DICK CROMWELL Small Business Owner Propietario de pequeña empresa	← ☐
NANCY S. WRIGHT Incumbent Titular	← ☐
RANDY DUNCAN Incumbent Titular	← ☐
JEFF BOWMAN Local Business Owner Propietario de empresa local	← ☐
	← ☐
	← ☐

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VOTER'S PAMPHLET INFORMATION SECTION

The following pages contain voter information applicable to your ballot which may include any/all of the following items:

- CANDIDATE STATEMENTS
- BALLOT MEASURES
- ANALYSES
- ARGUMENTS IN SUPPORT & IN OPPOSITION
- TEXT OF MEASURE(S)

This pamphlet section may not contain a complete list of candidates. A complete list of candidates appears on the Sample Ballot section of this pamphlet. Each candidate's statement in this pamphlet is volunteered by the candidate and is printed at the expense of the candidate unless otherwise determined by the governing body. Deposit amounts required for publication of candidate statements are listed in the candidate handbook at www.voteinfo.net.

Candidate statements represent the views of candidates and are not endorsed by the County of Riverside. Internet web site addresses included in candidate statements and arguments are provided by the authors. The County of Riverside assumes no liability for the accuracy or content of web sites listed therein.

Arguments in support of or in opposition to the proposed laws are opinions of the authors and are not endorsed by the County of Riverside.

The text, grammar, and spelling are as submitted by the authors.

POLLING PLACE REMINDER NO ELECTIONEERING!



All electioneering, voter solicitation, etc. is prohibited within 100 feet in any direction of the room where voters are casting ballots.

Avoid wearing or displaying campaign buttons, hats, t-shirts, and other political items.

CALIFORNIA ELECTIONS CODE §§18370, 18371

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER,
BANNING UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

WENDELL D. BANTER

AGE: 66

OCCUPATION: Retired Educator

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

I am a retired social studies teacher, having taught Junior High for 5 years and High School for 25 years in the Placentia-Yorba Linda Unified School District in Orange County. During that time I was a mentor teacher for 11 years and served as the WASC Self-Study Coordinator for Valencia High School during its state review. I have been married 49 years to Kathy and both of our children are teachers.

I have always been involved in the community. I served eight years on the Yorba Linda Parks Commission, am currently President of the Board of Habitat for Humanity of the San Geronio Pass Area, Treasurer of the Board of the Boys & Girls Clubs of the San Geronio Pass, and am a member of the Banning Parks and Recreation Committee.

My educational philosophy is centered on the belief that learning takes place in the classroom and that well trained and qualified teachers are the most important key to the success of students. I believe that I have the experience and energy to help the Banning Unified District be all that it can be and I look forward to the challenges.

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER,
BANNING UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

ALICE SILVERMAN

OCCUPATION: Incumbent

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

I have resided in Banning for more than 24 years. My husband, Larry and I have been married for over 38 years and we have three sons who all graduated from the Banning Unified School District. They have all completed their college degrees. We have one 2 year old grandson. My husband and I are currently Banning School Board Trustees.

My past community involvements include: Cub Scouts, Banning Playhouse Bowl, Soroptimists, Banning Unified school site councils, parent and booster organizations.

I have a BA degree in Sociology and I hold a lifetime teaching credential for community colleges where I have created curriculum and taught child development classes.

I am pleased with the school district's current direction. Our recent accomplishments include increasing API scores, beginning full day kindergarten, air conditioning and modernization of our school sites, completing Hoffer and Hemmerling's cafeteria/auditoriums, and beginning the process to construct additional classrooms and beautiful athletic fields and facilities at Banning High School.

I am committed to continuing this progress!!!! I promise to strive for every student's success. I ask for your support. Please VOTE FOR ALICE SILVERMAN!!!!!!

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
MAYOR,
CITY OF DESERT HOT SPRINGS**

YVONNE C. PARKS

OCCUPATION: Mayor

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

When you elected me Mayor two years ago, I pledged tough leadership and tough decisions to start solving our city's problems. I kept my pledge and cracked down on crime, gangs, and blight, renovated parks, fixing streets, balanced city budget.

Today we can be proud of our Police Chief and Police Dept. Property crime down 20%; violent crime down over 30%; increased police officers from 19 to 32; equipped police cars with computers; all officers with hand-held radios.

Two major gang and narcotics sweeps are eliminating dangerous criminals and drugs from our streets. Removing graffiti; cleaning up blight.

We tightened our belts to balance the 2009-10 budget. I'm fighting to keep local control of our tax dollars to benefit DHS residents.

I oppose Green Path North; destructive for DHS.

Paving 37 miles of streets, including new sidewalks, bike lanes; Wardman Park now a first-class baseball facility; Tedesco Park upgraded; improved Senior Center and Cabot's facilities.

A clinic and more doctors plan to locate in DHS 2009-10 to provide needed medical services for residents.

Endorsed by: many Desert Hot Springs residents, businesses, Sheriff Stan Sniff, District Attorney Rod Pacheco, Supervisor Marion Ashley.

I would appreciate your vote: Yvonne Parks Mayor.

www.MayorYvonneParks.com

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
MAYOR,
CITY OF DESERT HOT SPRINGS**

RUSSELL T. BETTS

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

Increasing tax burdens on city residents is not the answer to improving our city. New leadership will champion new and better solutions to the challenges we face. I'm pleased to have participated in the progress so far...crime is down, the city is cleaner and as I promised two years ago, residential streets are paved. But more work is needed.

Transforming our city as we move forward will require good business sense and sound judgment, not a career politician. Especially in these financially challenging times we must accomplish more and do it efficiently and differently.

My business experience in manufacturing and marketing is vital for the tasks ahead. That experience helped me find a new graffiti removal company for our city that is doing a far better job for less money. Our city is cleaner and more safe today compared to years past. This is a first step to attract new business and raise property values. This benefits everyone.

Obviously we need more. That's why I am running for Mayor. Responsible leadership is needed to provide good paying jobs for our working families. You can count on me, as your mayor, to best serve your interests. Learn more electrussellbetts.com

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
CITY COUNCIL MEMBER,
CITY OF DESERT HOT SPRINGS**

JAN PYE

AGE: 57

**OCCUPATION: Financial Analyst
EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:**

Being your public servant has been my first priority for my first 2-1/2 years as a Council member and through out this current term. Doing my homework on Council issues, staying focused on the facts, and weighing the fairness to all has guided my decisions for the betterment of our community.

During my hiatus from serving on the City Council I continued to be of service to our community by volunteering to serve on several boards and committee: Palm Springs Cemetery district, Regional Access Project foundation, DHS Public Safety Commission, DHS Citizens Finance Committee and others.

Prior to being appointed to the Council again in April I was asked, "Why are you still attending Council meetings?" My reply: "Because I never stopped caring for DHS."

My education includes a BS in Business Administration and a Master of accounting and Financial Management with Distinction as well as a current internship for acquiring my CPA certification. I am looking forward to continue applying this knowledge and my governance experience as your public servant.

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
CITY COUNCIL MEMBER,
CITY OF DESERT HOT SPRINGS**

ROBERT "BOBBY" BENTLEY

AGE: 41

**OCCUPATION: Independent Paralegal / Businessman
EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:**

The One Lower Taxes Candidate!

FACT: I have consistently opposed massive borrowing, enormous tax raises, and wasteful spending.

FACT: Limited government leads to a balanced budget.

FACT: Taxing too much, spending too much, and borrowing too much is wrong.

I have no interest in telling you how to live your life. I am here to protect the innocent. Strong against crime with deep respect for individual rights. Lower taxes. Business friendly. NO DEVELOPER MONEY! Corrupt developers are not MY friends! Crack down on corruption. A 32-year resident, my parents and grandparents lived here. I love Desert Hot Springs with all my heart. I am committed to actually improving Desert Hot Springs, not just our image.

Former Police Commissioner

Northwestern California University School of Law
Expert Rating Certified Professional in Economics & in Business Finance
Legal Education - California Redevelopment Law
Numerous Department of Homeland Security Certificates of Achievement
Member - American Legion & International High IQ Society
Disabled Cold War Veteran - Cold War Certificate of Recognition
ElectBentley.com & ILoveDHS.com & RobertBentleyLaw.com
Please vote Bentley for lower taxes, limited government, and individual rights. We must band together for protection. I am the one. Now is the time. It's your money. Now is the time to take a stand. Thank You.

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
CITY COUNCIL MEMBER,
CITY OF DESERT HOT SPRINGS**

TERRY SCHEURER

OCCUPATION: City Commissioner / Businessman

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

1st runner-up by 15 votes in 2007 Desert Hot Springs City Council race, with Desert Sun Newspaper Endorsement, after all candidate interviews.

For City of Desert Hot Springs; currently serving as a Commissioner leading to reduced crime, more police officers, & better enforcement; served as Sidewalk Task Force Chairman leading to sidewalk/street improvements, and served on the Economic Development Committee.

Additional, Palm Desert City Commission and Committee experience by serving as Chairman for Parks/Recreation Commission; Committees of Roads/Transportation, Arts/Culture, Schools/Education, Recreation, and 2010 Future Strategic Plan Member.

Naval-Air Veteran Former Financial Analyst, Computer Consultant, and Association Board President. Current local area Business Owner of HOA Management Firm and Retail Showroom.

Desert Hot Springs needs:

1. Transparency! Post all minutes online. Public meetings at 6-PM.
2. Efficiency! Send one Vs multiple to forums. No micro-managing.
3. Accountability! For un-safe building purchases. Conduct Code.

Campaign promises must be kept such as Updated General Plan, Master Park Plan, Downtown Redevelopment, Annexation to Freeway, Health Care Facility, more Public Safety, and Satellite COD Campus. Top priority is to increase the Economic Development ASAP.

Appreciate your valued vote to make promises happen.

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**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
CITY COUNCIL MEMBER,
CITY OF DESERT HOT SPRINGS**

SCOTT MATAS

AGE: 38

**OCCUPATION: Councilman, Volunteer Firefighter
EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:**

Your Councilman and 18-year Volunteer Firefighter, my #1 priority is Public Safety; to make Desert Hot Springs the safest community.

We now have a well-respected Police Chief and Department; cut property crime almost 25%; violent crime over 30%. Law enforcement crime sweeps are successfully taking gangs, drug dealers, criminals off streets. My vote: increased police on our streets, equipped squad cars with computers, police officers with hand-held radios, improved police and fire facilities, and Fire Department emergency response time.

Chairman, Police Ad Hoc Safety Committee, I'm working to cut parolees in DHS; tougher parolee tracking system; removing graffiti and blight; requiring county clean-up litter dumps surrounding DHS.

Spearheaded I-10 Palm Drive Overpass — construction starts by January, 2010.

Fighting for local control of DHS tax dollars; oppose Green Path North land grab.

Helped: AYSO and Little League obtain permanent access to city parks for games, activities.

Renovated: Wardman Park to top-line baseball facility; upgraded Tedesco Park, Senior Center, Cabot's Museum.

Repaired/paving: 37 miles of streets, bringing health clinic, doctors to DHS; increasing economic development, tourism.

My support: citizens, businesses, District Attorney Rod Pacheco, State Senator John Benoit, Supervisor Marion Ashley, former Palm Springs Police Chief Gary Jeandron. Thank you.

www.ScottMatas.com

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
CITY COUNCIL MEMBER,
CITY OF DESERT HOT SPRINGS**

RUSSELL WAYNE MARTIN

AGE: 62

**OCCUPATION: Police SGT (RET)
EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:**

When you go to the market or your children go outside to play, are you concerned for the safety of you and your family? Our city has taken positive steps to revitalize our downtown and recreational facilities but what good is a new downtown if your family doesn't feel safe shopping there? What good is a new park if it's unsafe for your children to play there? What we need on the city council is someone who has experience in dealing with law enforcement issues; someone who understands the needs of the police department and the public safety needs of the community. Russ Martin has 31 years experience in law enforcement and has received national recognition for his crime fighting service. He is a Public Safety Commissioner who has worked with our Police Chief in hiring much needed new police officers to patrol our streets. He served on two adhoc committees to address parolee proliferation and improve emergency fire services. Russ Martin understands the economic needs of our community go hand in hand with public safety. Russ Martin is the missing ingredient necessary for our future.

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
DIRECTOR,
DESERT WATER AGENCY**

JAMES CIOFFI

OCCUPATION: Appointed Incumbent
EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

I am committed to continue to serve as a Director of the Desert Water Agency. I am proud of the Agency's service to the community – a service that goes far beyond providing a safe, reliable water supply.

As your Desert Water Agency Director I will continue to insure the Agency is a productive, positive partner with the community, continuing its role in providing community needs, including:

- Affordable water rates and secure water supply
- Economic stability, and protection of water rights
- Progress in green energy
- More advances in recycled water and water conservation
- Public safety through a safe and reliable water supply

I have lived in Palm Springs for 52 years and started my own architectural practice over thirty years ago.

I have always been active in community and government, serving on numerous boards and committees including terms as chairman of the Palm Springs Planning Commission and Architectural Advisory Committee.

These years of public service taught me the value of listening and making important decisions that contribute to the vitality and prosperity of our community.

Consider experience and leadership and vote for Jim Cioffi for Desert Water Agency Board.

Cioffi4dwa.com

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
DIRECTOR,
DESERT WATER AGENCY**

PATRICIA "PAT" OYGAR

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

Water is complicated, especially with drought, a hobbled State Water Project, competing conservation programs and a statewide financial crisis.

I am proud of my 17-year record as a Desert Water Agency Director and believe my experience and re-election will help ensure safe affordable water and knowledgeable decisions on behalf of the ratepayers.

When I first ran, I outlined three goals: Expand the use of recycled water. Develop demonstration gardens to promote water-efficient landscaping. Secure new water sources.

Since then, all public golf courses, several private ones, Palm Springs High School, the Mid-Valley Parkway entrance and Demuth Park are using recycled water.

Demonstration gardens are at DWA headquarters, The Wellness Park, Palm Springs Art Museum and the Central Library.

As Board Water Conservation Chairman, I managed a multi-media education program and promoted low-cost controllers to reduce waste.

I am proud of the Cathedral City Cove sewer project, the Desert Hot Springs Mission Creek Recharge Ponds and aggressive pipe replacement, eradicating costly leaks.

My qualifications include service on the Regional Water Quality Board and a degree in Political Science and Public Service from UC Davis.

My hope is to continue representing you.

I respectfully ask for your vote on November 3.

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
DIRECTOR,
DESERT WATER AGENCY**

ARMANDO RANCANO

AGE: 60

OCCUPATION: Management Consultant
EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

I am running for Director of the Desert Water Board because we need fairness and transparency dealing with water issues.

Our water supply is at risk. Most of our water comes from the Colorado River. Continued draught and competition for water rights threaten our supply.

Water costs more to deliver than we pay. We should not be making up the difference with funds reserved for emergencies such as earthquake repairs.

Residents who conserve pay more than they should and subsidize heavy users. Often used to discourage waste are tiered rates but there are other alternatives to consider carefully.

Keeping water bills low will not be easy. Water pumps use a lot of electricity and energy prices are rising rapidly. Difficult decisions await us.

I want to bring my extensive experience to making those decisions. An Operations Executive and Environmental Advocate for 25 years, I serve on the Palm Springs Sustainability Commission and its water sub-committee.

I also initiated water conservation programs in my Palm Springs neighborhood and lead efforts to educate our residents.

Safeguarding our water supply and keeping rates as low as possible are my main priorities. Please vote for me for Director of the Desert Water Board.

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
DIRECTOR,
DESERT WATER AGENCY**

RON STARRS

AGE: 57

OCCUPATION: Incumbent
EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

It has been my privilege to serve as your Director for DWA since 1993. During that time the Board and Staff have made great progress towards insuring a reliable supply of safe pure water for all of us.

In addition to increasing our water supply through purchases and transfers, we have also sought to control the cost of water through programs such as building a multi-million dollar solar energy field at our Operations Center, treating all the waste water available for use on golf courses and parks, and providing "smart" irrigation controllers to customers at cost. These and other conservation programs have allowed us to continue to provide affordable water in a desert.

We are fortunate to have a reliable supply of water, yet it must be safeguarded. I am proud of the progress we have made towards protecting our water through innovative partnerships with customers, builders, and industry.

"Sustainability" and "green" lifestyles are now popular. However this is not a new concept at DWA – we have been actively protecting our most valuable natural resource for decades.

I thank you for your support, and I ask that you vote to re-elect me so that we can continue this important work.

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
DIRECTOR,
MISSION SPRINGS WATER DISTRICT**

DICK CROMWELL

AGE: 67

**OCCUPATION: Green Energy Specialist
EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:**

Our water is our City's priceless brand. Yet it has been too easy to look the other way as the population grows and our infrastructure ages and is poorly maintained. It is time to get serious about protecting our water. This concern is my primary reason for running for the Mission Springs Water District Board.

I have a long-range plan that will not burden the local residents and business community and I have the experience and background to get it done. Once we adopt a plan, we begin the task of seeking government grants. An infrastructure project, our water protection is what stimulus money should be supporting.

I am a pioneer in alternate fuels, a green energy specialist and advisor to clean energy/transportation industries and governments, a former DHS City Councilman and Planning Commissioner, former member of the PSUSD School Board, developed a hydrogen fuel training program with COD and founded the Clean Cities Coachella Valley Region and Desert Legal Foundation.

In all of the above, I have a proven record of leadership in problem solving and a proven record of hard work which developed consensus and led to action.

I ask for your vote on November 3.

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
DIRECTOR,
MISSION SPRINGS WATER DISTRICT**

NANCY S. WRIGHT

AGE: 58

**OCCUPATION: Business Owner
EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:**

I have represented the people of this district for 20 years, working with you and on your behalf to provide safe, clean, reliable and cost efficient water. With your vote I will continue my efforts to protect our hot and cold groundwater basins from overdraft and pollution.

Our water and sewer districts are financially sound and preparing for the future. I am committed to keeping rates as low as possible. Emergency and maintenance programs are in place.

Our water district has been awarded \$20 million in grants and is authorized for additional grants of \$35 million to offset costs and expand the sewer system.

I am the current President of the Board. I served seven years on the California Regional Water Quality Control Board. I represent the water board on the CVAG Energy and Environmental Resources Committee. Board member of: LAFCO (alternate), The Groundwater Foundation, Colorado River Citizens Forum, Desert Hot Springs Women's Club. I am proudly a founding member of the Desert Hot Springs Groundwater Guardian Teams.

When it comes to something as precious as our water, experience and dedication do make a difference.

Thank you for your support.

Nancy S. Wright

Still the Best Choice....For the Best Water

www.votewright4water.com

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
DIRECTOR,
MISSION SPRINGS WATER DISTRICT**

RANDY DUNCAN

AGE: 48

**OCCUPATION: Stock Broker
EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:**

My wife and I have lived here for more than 20 years, raised our family here and each own a local small business. This is home, and I want to make it a better place to live. I have served DHS as Rotary Club President, Planning Commissioner, Chamber of Commerce Treasurer, Boys and Girls Club Director and more. I served our Country as a Sergeant in the Marine Corps, earning an honorable discharge.

Water, whether hot or cold, is vitally important to us, but providing a high quality drinking water supply is becoming increasingly more complicated. During my term, I have traveled to DC and Sacramento helping obtain almost \$14,000,000 in grants and a \$35,000,000 federal authorization for infrastructure and sewers. I have listened and responded to your requests at Board meetings, spent countless hours with staff, and worked diligently to make MSWD a thriving district. The knowledge and experience I have gained is crucial to the district at this time. I will continue to secure millions in government funds, represent MSWD at state and federal levels, and be prudent in decisions affecting our coverage area. Thank you for your time and your vote.

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
DIRECTOR,
MISSION SPRINGS WATER DISTRICT**

JEFF BOWMAN

AGE: 54

**OCCUPATION: Local Business Owner
EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:**

MSWD needs new leadership:

- The district has not followed its own master plan for adequate water production.
- MSWD had \$21M in reserves in 2004. Today, it has only \$7M.
- Net operating income in 2005 was \$533K. Today there's a loss of \$3.3M. Reserves have been depleted each year since 2007 for general operating costs.
- Well #28, which supplies the Mission Lakes area, is contaminated with uranium and must be replaced.
- Almost 50% of the district is still waiting for sewers to protect our groundwater.
- Horton Wastewater Treatment Plant requires expansion to meet the needs of the community.

As the owner of a mineral-water resort with its own hot-water well, I am passionate about water. I understand the importance of water, its uses and conservation.

I am a community leader: chairman of the DHS Public Safety Commission and president of the Historical Society, and a member of the Coachella Valley's Visitors Authority management council.

Through progressive, responsible leadership, MSWD can have new wells; cost-efficient, ecologically sound wastewater treatment; and sewers to protect our groundwater. It's time for new, proactive leadership.

To learn more, go to www.JeffreyBowman.com.

United States® Census 2010

In 2010, the U.S. Census Bureau will issue the call for every resident of our nation to “Be Counted.”

Here are some reasons why the 2010 Census is important to you!

- Over \$300 billion are distributed to states, counties and cities based on the results of the census. That equals about \$1,000 per person per year until the next Census in 2020.
- Census data affects your voice in Congress by determining how many seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives.
- Census data is used to determine how many California Assembly and Senate seats will be in Riverside County.
- Census data is used to draw the district boundaries for the County Board of Supervisors, some City Council districts, Board of Education Districts, and other special districts.

Do your part to ensure Riverside County is accurately counted.

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- By mail. You may request a vote-by-mail ballot. Simply complete the application on the back cover of this pamphlet. The application must be mailed to reach the Registrar of Voters Office by the deadline given.
- Early Voting. You may vote at the Registrar of Voters office located at 2724 Gateway Drive, Riverside, October 5 - November 2, Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; and Election Day, November 3, 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- Curbside Voting on Election Day. If you are unable to enter the polling place due to a physical disability, you may request Curbside Voting at your assigned polling place. Upon arrival at the polling place, you will be allowed to vote in a location as near as possible to the entrance that is accessible to the physically disabled. If you require Curbside Voting, please call 1-877-663-9906 before going to your assigned polling place and/or when you arrive at the facility. An Election Officer will be contacted prior to your arrival to meet you at the curb.

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I hereby request a ballot for the Consolidated UDEL Election, November 3, 2009. ★ Por la presente solicito una balota para la Elección Consolidada del UDEL, 3 de noviembre de 2009.

PLEASE PRINT:

NAME AS REGISTERED Imprima el nombre como está registrado

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