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Note to editors: A digital photograph of Director Donald D. Galleano is available upon request.

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GALLEANO JOINS METROPOLITAN WATER BOARD, REPRESENTING WESTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

Third generation Riverside County wine grape grower and vintner Donald D. Galleano was seated today on the board of directors of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California.

He succeeds Thomas P. Evans, who had served as Western Municipal Water District's representative on the 37-member Metropolitan board since July 2009.

Galleano owns the Cantu-Galleano Ranch in Mira Loma, founded by his family in 1927 and listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The ranch is home to the Galleano Winery, a dry farming and completely organic operation.

A member of Western's Board of Directors since January 2005, Galleano currently serves as Western's board president. At Western, he represents the cities of Eastvale, Jurupa Valley and Norco and the communities of Mira Loma, Rubidoux and Glen Avon. Prior to joining Western's board, he served for nearly 25 years on the board of Jurupa Community Services District.

Born in Los Angeles, Galleano serves on the boards of directors of the Chino Basin Watermaster, the Los Angeles County Fair Association and the National Orange Show Foundation Board in San Bernardino, as well as chairs the Pacific Rim Wine Competition. The past president of the Western Riverside County Businessman's Association and the Jurupa Chamber of Commerce, he also has served on the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority.

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The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California is a cooperative of 26 cities and water agencies serving nearly 19 million people in six counties. The district imports water from the Colorado River and Northern California to supplement local supplies, and helps its members to develop increased water conservation, recycling, storage and other resource-management programs.