

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

March 12, 2024

FROM

DAWN ROWE, Chair and Third District Supervisor, Board of Supervisors

SUBJECT

Inland Empire Resource Conservation District Appointment in Lieu of Election

RECOMMENDATION(S)

1. Find that pursuant to the provisions of Public Resources Code Section 9314(b)(1), the Inland Empire Resource Conservation District's Board of Directors, by resolution, has requested that the Board of Supervisors appoint directors to their District Board as an alternative to the election of said directors.
2. Approve appointment of James Earsom in lieu of election, to the vacant position of Director for the Inland Empire Resource Conservation District.

(Presenter: Dawn Rowe, Chair and Third District Supervisor, 387-4855)

COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Operate in a Fiscally-Responsible and Business-Like Manner.

Ensure Development of a Well-Planned, Balanced, and Sustainable County.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Approval of this item will not result in the use of additional Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost) as this action is non-financial in nature.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

This item will provide for the appointment of James Earsom as Director effective March 12, 2024, ending at 12:00 PM on November 29, 2024, to serve the unexpired term of Patricia Reed. Ms. Reed was appointed pursuant to Section 9314 on December 15, 2020. As provided in Section 9316 of the Public Resources Code, in the case of a vacancy in the office of director appointed pursuant to Section 9314, the vacancy shall be filled, as provided in Section 9314, by appointment for the unexpired term by the Board of Supervisors of the principal county. In addition, because portions of the Inland Empire Resource Conservation District lie within Riverside County, the Riverside County Board of Supervisors was consulted regarding the appointment in accordance with the provisions of the California Public Resources Code.

An applicant recommended for appointment as a Director of a Resource Conservation District must be a registered voter in the State of California, and (1) reside within the district and either own real property in the district or have served for two years or more as an Associate Director providing advisory or other assistance to the District Directors, or (2) be a designated agent of a resident landowner within the district. On February 7, 2024, the Registrar of Voters verified Mr. Earsom is a registered voter within the State of California, and property ownership within the District was verified through the Assessor's Property Management System.

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On January 23, 2024, (Item No. 5), the Board of Supervisors directed the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to post a Notice of Vacancy for this position and invited applications from interested and qualified individuals. During the application period, one application was received and reviewed by representatives of the affected District.

As a result of this process, James Earsom is hereby recommended for appointment to the Board of Directors of the Inland Empire Resource Conservation District.

PROCUREMENT

N/A

REVIEW BY OTHERS

This item has been reviewed by Clerk of the Board of Supervisors (Lynna Monell, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, 387-3848) on February 7, 2024; County Counsel (Jolena Grider, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5455) on February 8, 2024; Finance (Stephanie Maldonado, Administrative Analyst, 387-4378) on February 14, 2024; and County Finance and Administration (Paloma Hernandez-Barker, Deputy Executive Officer, 387-5423) on February 26, 2024.

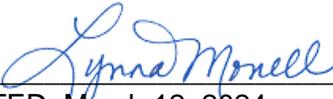
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Record of Action of the Board of Supervisors
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APPROVED (CONSENT CALENDAR)

Moved: Joe Baca, Jr. Seconded: Jesse Armendarez
Ayes: Col. Paul Cook (Ret.), Jesse Armendarez, Dawn Rowe, Curt Hagman, Joe Baca, Jr.

Lynna Monell, CLERK OF THE BOARD

BY  _____
DATED: March 12, 2024



cc: Inland Empire Resource Conservation District c/o Jennifer
Castillo
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