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## Governor Brown's State Water Board Appointee Dorene D'Adamo Confirmed by State Senate

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Today, the State Senate voted to confirm Dorene D'Adamo as a member of the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), following the January 8 recommendation by the Senate Rules Committee that she serve on the board. On March 13, 2013, Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. appointed D'Adamo to the State Water Board.

The five member State Water Board is responsible for protecting all water quality and water supplies in California. The Board is also responsible for the allocation of surface water supplies for agricultural, public trust, and urban purposes throughout the state.

"It is an honor to be appointed by Governor Brown and confirmed by the Senate," D'Adamo said. "I am enthusiastic about serving on the board at this crucial period as our state faces tremendous challenges with water issues, including drought, water supply, impacts to fish and wildlife, groundwater overdraft and contaminated drinking water supplies. Oftentimes it is the challenge that presents opportunity, and we are truly at a point where we are seeing real opportunities with more holistic-integrated solutions.

"Water quality challenges can often be transformed into water supply solutions, such as with capture of storm water and recycled wastewater. Flood control problems can be looked at as water supply and improved groundwater management opportunities. I am committed to working with my fellow board members and all stakeholders toward developing more of these creative opportunities and to being fair and balanced in our decisions where consensus is not possible."

D'Adamo fills the position of the individual qualified in water quality issues and lives in Stanislaus County.

Prior to her appointment, D'Adamo has been senior policy advisor for Congressman Jim Costa since 2013. She was senior policy advisor for Congressman Dennis Cardoza from 2003 to 2012 and was legal counsel for Congressman Gary Condit from 1994 to 2003. D'Adamo was a visiting instructor at California State University, Stanislaus from 1992 to 1998 and an associate attorney at the Law Offices of Perry and Wildman from 1992 to 1994. She was a legislative director for Congressman Gary Condit from 1990 to 1991. D'Adamo was assistant legislative director at the California Department of the Youth Authority from 1988 to 1990 and legal





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counsel at the Assembly Committee on Public Safety from 1986 to 1988. She was legislative director for the Assembly Assistant Majority Leader from 1985 to 1986.

D'Adamo has served on the California Air Resources Board since 1999 and the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley since 2007. She earned a Juris Doctorate degree from the University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law.

For more information on State Water Resources Control Board members, go to:  
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