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**Rob Roscoe Elected New Chair
Of Regional Water Authority**
Sacramento Suburban Official to Lead Regional Efforts in 2006

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – Sacramento Suburban Water District General Manager Rob Roscoe has been elected chair of the Regional Water Authority (RWA) Board of Directors for 2006. Joseph Dion, a member of the Citrus Heights Water District Board of Directors, has been elected vice chair.

Roscoe, who has served on the Authority's Executive Committee since 2002, has been general manager at Sacramento Suburban Water District since March 2003.

At RWA, Roscoe will help guide the Authority's efforts to continue implementation of an integrated regional water management program to enhance the region's water supply availability and reliability. The program encompasses an array of projects to support regional conjunctive use programs and promote water recycling, water use efficiency and other strategies to improve local water supply reliability.

Roscoe said he is pleased to lead an organization that is taking regional collaboration to new heights and laying the groundwork for a more reliable water supply for the region's growing communities. "RWA is really at the forefront when it comes to planning for the future and protecting surface water resources, including the American River. We are proving that addressing water needs on a regional scale is good for our ratepayers, good for our water resources and good for our environment."

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Dion, who will serve as RWA's vice chair for 2006, has been on the board of Citrus Heights Water District since 2000. He has served on the RWA Board since its inception in 2001.

In addition to Roscoe and Dion, the following local water leaders were elected to the 2006 RWA Executive Committee: Paul Selsky, Carmichael Water District; Ken Payne, City of Folsom; Derrick Whitehead, City of Roseville; Ane Deister, El Dorado Irrigation District; Robert Cook Jr., Fruitridge Vista Water Company; Pauline Roccucci, Placer County Water Agency; and Shauna Lorance, San Juan Water District.

RWA is a joint powers authority representing 22 water providers in the greater Sacramento area. Its primary mission is to help its members protect and enhance the reliability, availability, affordability and quality of water resources.

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