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**LVMWD Board Announces
David W. Pedersen
as District's New General Manager**

CALABASAS, CA January 3, 2013 – The Board of Directors of Las Virgenes Municipal Water District (LVMWD) has selected David W. Pedersen as the new General Manager for the District, effective January 14, 2013. He will assume the position that became available when John R. Mundy announced his plans to retire at the end of 2012.

Mr. Pedersen, 40, currently resides in Manhattan Beach with his wife and three children and most recently has been the Executive Director of Operations for Irvine Ranch Water District (IRWD) in Orange County, where he has worked since 2010. Prior to IRWD, he held a number of managerial positions with the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works.

A Civil Engineering graduate of UC Irvine in 1994, Mr. Pedersen earned his MBA degree from California State University, Long Beach in 2001 and he is a Registered Civil Engineer. He is a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, serves on the Scientific Advisory Board for the Association for Environmental Health & Sciences Foundation and is affiliated with the Association of California Water Agencies and the Water Environment Foundation.

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“I am very excited to be selected for the position by the Board,” Mr. Pedersen said. “I look forward to becoming familiar with every aspect of the communities served by the District, and managing the challenges the service area faces in terms of providing reliable water service and environmentally protective wastewater treatment in the Malibu Creek watershed.” Among his accomplishments at IRWD, he cites the implementation of operational efficiency measures which helped that agency achieve the lowest service rates among those in surrounding communities.

When Mr. Mundy announced his intent to retire, the LVMWD Board commenced an extensive search program to fill the General Manager’s position. After a series of interviews, Mr. Pedersen was selected from a highly qualified field of 125 applicants. In a related action, the Board named David R. Lippman, P.E. as interim General Manager until Mr. Pedersen arrives in mid-January. Mr. Lippman is the District’s Director of Facilities & Operations.

Las Virgenes Municipal Water District provides potable water, wastewater treatment, recycled water distribution and biosolids composting services for customers in Agoura Hills, Calabasas, Hidden Hills, Westlake Village and surrounding unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County.

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- See accompanying photo
- Mr. Pedersen will not be at LVMWD prior to January 14