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Goleta Water District Board Vacancy - Applications Due on Thursday, February 17, 2011

The Goleta Water District's recruitment process for filling the Board of Directors seat vacated by Larry Mills will wind to a close later this week. The Board of Directors will appoint a replacement to serve the remaining 2-year portion of Director Mills' term, ending in December 2012. All interested individuals are encouraged to submit an application for consideration no later than Thursday, February 17, 2011. Applicants must be a registered voter, at least 18 years of age and reside within the boundaries of the Goleta Water District.

"We anticipate receiving applications from a number of highly qualified individuals," said Board of Directors President Bill Rosen. "Serving as a member of this Board is a way for someone to make a real difference by providing an essential service to their community. This is a unique opportunity, as the Goleta Water District is the largest special district in Santa Barbara County."

The District is governed by a 5-member Board of Directors, and provides water to a diverse population of approximately 85,000 customers, including agricultural, residential, commercial, industrial, and institutional accounts. The District's water system includes over 270 miles of pipelines, a water treatment plan, storage reservoirs, pumping facilities, active wells, a recycled water system, and connections with Lake Cachuma and the State Water Project. The estimated replacement value of the entire system is approximately \$700 million.

Applications are available online at www.goletawater.com and at the District's headquarters, located at 4699 Hollister Avenue, Goleta, 93110. Interested parties may call the District at 805-964-6761 for additional information.