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GOVERNOR SCHWARZENEGGER'S STATE WATER BOARD APPOINTEES CONFIRMED

SACRAMENTO - Tam M. Doduc, Chairwoman, and Gerald D. Secundy, Vice Chair, were confirmed to the positions to which Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger appointed them on the State Water Resources Control Board yesterday by a vote of the State Senate.

"It was a great honor to be appointed to the Water Board by Governor Schwarzenegger," said Chairwoman Doduc. "I am also very grateful to the State Senate for approving both my appointment and that of Gerry Secundy. My goal during my term on the board is to achieve measurable improvements in water quality in California. I will also work to increase cooperation with the other departments in Cal/EPA; the regional water boards; along with the local, state and federal offices that regulate, move, use, affect and dispose of water."

"Water is our most precious resource," added Vice Chair Gerald D. Secundy. "It is not unlimited and must be treasured and used wisely. We must be smarter in capturing our storm water and recharging our aquifers and I plan to make sure the Water Board is a leader in these efforts and the other items I see as priorities."

In addition to being the first Asian-American to serve as Chair of the Water Board, Ms. Doduc fulfills the position of civil engineer on the board. Prior to her appointment to the State Water Board, Ms. Doduc served in a variety of capacities at the California Environmental Protection Agency, most recently as Deputy Secretary for Environmental Quality where she oversaw environmental justice and external scientific peer review activities. Doduc also served three years at the Air Resources Board and began her career in state government as a Water Resources Control Engineer at the State Water Board. A licensed civil engineer, Ms. Doduc earned a Bachelor of Science in BioEngineering from the University of California at Berkeley, and a Master of Science in Civil Engineering from California State University Sacramento. She also earned a Master of Business Administration from the University of California at Berkeley. Ms. Doduc is a very talented photographer with a number of impressive nature photos on display at the Cal EPA building.

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Gerald Secundy has built a career in both business and protecting the environment. Following a stint in the Peace Corps, where he directed a center for disadvantaged youth in Cuzco, Peru, Secundy went to work in the U.S. Department of Justice in the Land and Natural Resource Division. Secundy left Justice for a position with ARCO, "to work from within the company to better protect the environment," (as he told the State Senate Rules Committee) ending up as Vice President of Environment, Health and Safety and External Affairs for the Marketing and Refining Division. Secundy next served as executive director of Audubon, California. It was while serving as Executive Director of the California Environmental Dialogue that Secundy was invited by the Schwarzenegger Administration to join the State Water Board. Jerry Secundy graduated from Harvard College and Columbia Law School. Secundy serves as public member of the State Water Resources Control Board.

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

<http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/about/members.html>

The terms on the State Water Board for both Tam M. Doduc and Gerald D. Secundy run through January 2009.

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