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GOVERNOR SCHWARZENEGGER'S STATE WATER BOARD APPOINTEES CONFIRMED BY RULES COMMITTEE

SACRAMENTO – Arthur G. Baggett, Jr. and Frances Spivy-Weber of the State Water Resources Control Board were recommended Wednesday by the Senate Rules Committee for confirmation. Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger reappointed Mr. Baggett and appointed Ms Spivy-Weber to the State Water Board in February 2007.

The five-member State Water Resources Control 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 Schwarzenegger and to be recommended for confirmation by the Rules Committee for a third term on the State Water Board,” said Art Baggett. “I look forward to continuing to work with all parties to assure we protect, preserve and restore the critical and equitable uses of our water.”

“Water quality lies at the heart of making sure the State of California--its people and the environment--has the water it needs to thrive. I am fortunate to be able to serve on the Water Board and focus on the link between water quality and supply,” said Spivy-Weber.

Arthur G. Baggett, Jr., fills the position of the attorney and lives in El Portal. Prior to his first appointment to the Water Board, Baggett had a private law practice in Mariposa. Baggett's term expires in January 2011.

He holds a Master's Degree in Environmental Studies from Antioch College and a law degree from San Joaquin College of Law. He has served as the Board's Chair and is the past president of the Association of State and Interstate Water Pollution Control Administrators. He previously served two terms on the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors from 1987 to 1995, and is the former Chair of the Mariposa County Water Agency. Baggett is also a former Board Member of the Mountain Counties Water Association, and a past President of the Mariposa County Bar Association. As a scientist and teacher, Baggett served as a faculty member for the Yosemite Institute, the Sierra Institute, the

Yosemite Association, and Adjunct Faculty at Fresno State University in the Department of Chemistry.

Frances Spivy-Weber of Redondo Beach fills the public position on the State Water Board and served as the executive director of the Mono Lake Committee from 1997 until 2007. Spivy-Weber was appointed to a two-year term in February 2007 and her term ends in January 2009.

From 1983 to 1992, Weber served as the director of international programs for the National Audubon Society. She was a legislative assistant for the Animal Welfare Institute from 1978 to 1982. Weber was a member of the Bay-Delta Public Advisory Committee and co-chair of its Water Use Efficiency Committee. She also served as co-chair of the Southern California Water Dialogue and convener of the California Urban Water Conservation Council. She has served on many boards, including the Water Education Foundation, California Council of Land Trusts, and Clean Water Action/Clean Water Fund.

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