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Coastside County Water District Announces New General Manager

At its November 10, 2026, meeting, the Board of Directors of the Coastside County Water District appointed Laura Hidas as the District's next General Manager. Ms. Hidas will assume the position on February 23, 2027, succeeding Mary Rogren, who is retiring after serving as the District's General Manager since 2019.

Laura currently serves as Director of Water Resources and is a member of the executive leadership team at the Alameda County Water District (ACWD), where she has built a 25-year career in progressively responsible leadership roles in water quality and treatment, water system operations, water supply planning and public affairs. She holds a Master of Science degree in Environmental Engineering from UC Berkeley and a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry from Stanford University. Laura is a licensed Professional Engineer (P.E.) and holds a T3 water treatment certification and a D4 water distribution certification.

Laura brings extensive experience in water utility management, strong technical expertise, and proven executive leadership. Her collaborative leadership approach and comprehensive understanding of water utility operations will serve the District well as it continues its commitment to providing reliable, high-quality water service to its customers.

Director David Dickson reflected on the recruitment process and welcomed the appointment, commenting:

"We started six months ago with a vision of the kind of person that we thought we needed to run this small yet complicated District, and I think we found the right person. I'm very pleased that Laura Hidas will be the next General Manager of the Coastside County Water District."

Coastside County Water District is an urban retail water supplier that provides potable water to the City of Half Moon Bay and a portion of the unincorporated area surrounding the city. It serves a population of 19,000 with approximately 8,000 water services. Coastside County Water District operates two drinking water treatment plants with 80 miles of distribution system pipeline and approximately 20 miles of raw water transmission pipeline. More information can be found on the District's website at https://coastsidewater.org/ .