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Ventura Water General Manager announces retirement

Ventura, Calif. - After serving the City of Ventura for more than 23 years, Ventura Water General Manager Susan Rungren announces her retirement effective June 2022.

“Susan has guided Ventura Water’s helm towards improving our water and wastewater infrastructure as well as securing our local and regional water supply through projects and programs like the State Water Interconnection Project and the VenturaWaterPure Program,” said Mayor Sofia Rubalcava. “She brought a wealth of knowledge to our community and we wish her all the best in her retirement.”



Rungren began her career with the City of Ventura in 1999 as a Utilities Engineer. She then served as the Water Resource Manager for seven years before being appointed to Ventura Water Assistant General Manager in May 2018. In May 2019, Rungren was promoted to Ventura Water General Manager where she oversaw the City’s water and wastewater operations, while also spearheading multiple long-term water supply projects.

“It has been a pleasure and privilege to work alongside so many outstanding staff, public officials, and community members and I am deeply honored to have served the City of Ventura and Ventura Water for more than 20 years,” shared Ventura Water General Manager Susan Rungren. “I am extremely proud of Ventura Water’s continued core service delivery throughout the pandemic including implementing utility billing policies to help relieve customers with no water shut-offs and ensure continuous water and wastewater service.”



Upon Rungren’s departure, Assistant General Manager Gina Dorrington will be appointed as the General Manager. Dorrington has been in the water and wastewater industry for over 20 years and joined the City in 2014. She holds a Bachelor of Science in Soil Science from Cal Poly Pomona as well a myriad of certifications in water distribution, wastewater treatment, and environmental compliance.

“I am honored to be appointed and serve as the City’s General Manager for Ventura Water and excited to be part of expanding our water portfolio with projects and programs like State Water Interconnection and VenturaWaterPure,” said Gina Dorrington. “Our water and wastewater resources remain a critical component of our community and I am looking forward to helping secure our vital water supply.”

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