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## TUD HIRES NEW GENERAL MANAGER, EDWIN R. PATTISON

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SONORA, CA: After an extensive and collaborative executive recruitment process, the Tuolumne Utilities District (TUD) Board of Directors has selected a new General Manager to lead the District.

Following a series of facilitated stakeholder meetings and interviews with a group of highly qualified candidates, the Board has selected Edwin R. Pattison of Modesto as the new General Manager for the District. Mr. Pattison currently serves as General Manager for Mountain House Community Services District since 2014. He has also served as City Manager for the City of Ione and Water Resources Manager for Calaveras County Water District. As General Manager for the Mountain House CSD, a full-service municipality facing significant growth, Mr. Pattison oversees the Public Safety, Public Works including water and wastewater, Parks and Recreation, Finance and Administration departments. Mr. Pattison has 30 years' experience in public agencies/utilities and has worked extensively in the foothill regions.

Starting in June of this year, the Board authorized a contract for Executive Recruitment Services of W. Brown Creative Partners and the facilitation services of Barber & Gonzales Consulting Group to help in the recruitment process of hiring a new General Manager for the District. Thomas Haglund, General Manager at that time, retired in June 2018.

"Mr. Pattison has the experience, creativity, talent and leadership qualities that the TUD Board, staff and our local partners were looking for to fill the General Manager position. The District is in a challenging time and we believe that Mr. Pattison is the best choice to lead the District in a positive direction. We are enthused and looking forward to working with Mr. Pattison on the difficult issues facing the District. He has extensive experience working in the foothills and is highly in tune with the issues that face the mountain counties," states Board President, Barbara Balen.

"I am looking forward to joining the TUD team and collaborating with the Board of Directors and stakeholders to define and implement a positive vision for the future. I am eager to begin working with the Board, staff and community in meeting the challenges facing the District," states Edwin Pattison. Mr. Pattison holds a Master of Public Administration degree from California State University, Stanislaus and Bachelor of Science degree from University of California, Davis.

Mr. Pattison will begin his role as TUD General Manager on November 26, 2018. Dave Andres, Interim General Manager, will remain working with the District as needed to be available to help with the transition.

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