



CALAVERAS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

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Subject: CCWD Hires Experienced Engineer to Fill Manager of Water Resources Position

The Calaveras County Water District is pleased to announce Brad Arnold has been hired as the District's Water Resources Manager. His first day on the job was Monday June 15.

Arnold graduated from the Milwaukee School of Engineering (MSOE) in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, with a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering and minor in Business Management. He went on to earn two master's degrees, both from the University of California, Davis (UC Davis). His first was in Agricultural and Natural Resources Engineering and second in Civil & Environmental Engineering (Water Resources emphasis), the latter while working with the UC Davis Center for Watershed Sciences.

"I grew up in a rural Wisconsin town that is similar in many ways to the communities here in Calaveras, albeit without the surrounding beautiful mountains" Arnold said. "It's nice for me to get back to something less hectic than the Bay Area. I enjoy this work environment and Calaveras is a good cultural fit for me. I am committed to this community, its water resources, and look forward interacting with everyone and doing a lot of quality work here."

After first graduating from UC Davis in 2012, Arnold began water supply planning work for GEI Consultants (GEI), along with water supply analysis, Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) programmatic efforts, and groundwater studies. His next job was with the California Department of Water Resources (DWR), where he performed local outreach and technical assistance for groups in California's North-Central Region, mostly interacting with agencies participating in the IRWM and Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) programs. While at DWR, he also worked on statewide water supply and demand studies, data management tools and interacted frequently with water districts in the Sierra Nevada Foothills and Sacramento Valley. Over the past couple years, Arnold worked for the Santa Clara Valley Water District as a senior engineer and water supply planner.

Arnold decided to take the job at CCWD because he is eager to help managing a portion of the Sierra Nevada headwaters, which are important to water resources throughout the state. The District's General Manager, Michael Minkler, said that "CCWD's county-wide water resources planning responsibilities involve complex and fascinating issues that impact the future of the County. We are thrilled to have someone with Brad's background and enthusiasm on our team and I am confident he will have a lasting positive impact on our communities."

Outside of work, Arnold enjoys spending time with his wife, Emily, kayaking, hiking, travelling, exploring new places, and he may even be seen cheering on the Green Bay Packers.

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