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Elena Lee Reeder, First Woman and API to Serve as President of Reclamation District 1000

SACRAMENTO, CA – The Reclamation District 1000 Board of Trustees announced today that it has elected Elena Lee Reeder to lead the local Special District responsible for flood protection and public safety to residents, businesses, schools, and agriculture in the Natomas Basin.

She is the first woman and API to serve in this position for RD1000, which protects a region considered the most vulnerable area of the United States after New Orleans.

“I want to congratulate Elena on her election,” said Kevin King, General Manager, RD1000. “Our trustees unanimously selected her based on her leadership, commitment and dedication to the health and safety of the all those who live and work in the Natomas Basin.”

RD1000 is a special district created by the California State Legislature. It is governed by a seven-member Board of Trustees, elected or appointed every two years on a rotating basis. Three members represent parcel seats, and four represent assessment positions. Members serve four-year terms.

“I greatly appreciate the support for me to help lead the district during this pivotal time in our history,” Lee Reeder said. “It is an honor to help meet the challenges we face to upgrade our outdated infrastructure and improve the flood protection operations necessary for us to protect the health, safety, and economic wellbeing of our families and businesses in the Natomas Basin.”

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Reclamation District No. 1000 (RD1000) is a California Special District created in 1911. Its mission is flood protection for the Natomas Basin by providing for the public’s health and safety by operating and maintaining the levees and the District’s canals and pump stations in a safe, efficient and reliable manner. RD1000 maintains approximately 55,000 acres in Sacramento and Sutter counties.