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SLV Water District to host reception for former Board member Jim Nelson

The San Lorenzo Valley Water District invites the public to attend a reception in honor of former board member Jim Nelson on Thursday, July 26, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. at the District Board Room, 13067 Highway 9, Boulder Creek.

Director Nelson, who served on the Board for 12 years, resigned on June 7 to “spend more time in other areas of my life, including Camp Joy,” he said, referring to the small, organic family farm in Boulder Creek that he has run since 1971.

Before joining the Board in 2000, Director Nelson served on the Waterman Gap Citizen’s Advisory Committee, which advised the Board on the disposition of the District’s 1,200 acre forested property at the headwaters of the San Lorenzo River.

Director Nelson was re-elected three times during his service. During his watch, the District acquired the Felton water system from California-American Water in 2008, acquired the Malosky Creek property, and initiated the Education Grant Program.

He helped drive the District’s watershed planning process, including the ongoing restoration of the Olympia Watershed property. “I’ve done my part. Now it’s time for some new energy to step forward on the Board,” Nelson said.

According to the Board’s resolution of appreciation for Director Nelson, he was “dedicated to the proper management and protection of the District’s watershed property” and “truly deserving of special honors and the highest commendations for service to the District.”

At its July 5 regular meeting, the Board appointed Margaret Bruce, an 18-year resident of Boulder Creek, to fill Director Nelson’s seat until his term expires in December 2012.

A short film entitled “The Mono Lake Story” will be shown at the reception, at the request of Director Nelson. Refreshments will be served.

For more information, see the District website <http://www.slvwd.com>, or call 338-2153.