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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Valerie Lord is Named as PCWA Director of Administrative Services

AUBURN -- The appointment of Valerie C. Lord to the position of Director of Administrative Services has been announced by Placer County Water Agency General Manager David A. Breninger.

Lord has worked with the water agency since 1998, serving for the past three years as Deputy Director of Administrative Services. She succeeds former director Michael Cooper, who retired. Her appointment is effective Sept. 1.

In her new position, Lord will serve as a key member of the PCWA senior management team, overseeing human resources, payroll and benefits, risk management and information systems. In addition, she will act in the capacity of assistant general manager and serve as acting general manager in the manager's absence.

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Lord has worked in law office administration and human resources for almost 20 years, including several years as a self-employed consultant. Prior to joining the water agency, she served as a management assistant in the office of the Allstate Insurance Co. legal counsel.

A native of Placer County and graduate of Placer High School in Auburn, Lord attended Sierra College, studied abroad in London and earned her bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Phoenix.

"It has been a pleasure to live and work in Placer County," said Lord. "My seven years with the agency have given me the opportunity for continued growth, challenges and exciting opportunities. The agency's employees are some of the finest I've had the privilege to work with. I look forward to many years of a positive and productive working relationship."

Lord lives in Auburn with her husband, Drew, a local printer; and their two daughters, Caitlin, 16, and Brooke, 8.

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