California Desalination Association Welcomes Lacy Carothers, California American Water Director of Engineering, to Executive Committee

Sacramento, Calif. (May 7, 2024) – The California Desalination Association (CalDesal) today announced the unanimous appointment of Lacy Carothers, PE, Director of Engineering for California American Water, to its Executive Committee.

Carothers brings a wealth of experience in the water industry to CalDesal, a statewide association comprised of leaders from public and private water agencies, non-profit organizations, and others committed to integrating desalination into California's sustainable water future.

“We’re all very excited to have Lacy join our Executive Committee,” said Glenn Farrel, Executive Director of CalDesal. “Her expertise and leadership will be invaluable as we continue to advocate for desalination as a key solution to California’s water challenges.”

Carothers is currently leading engineering efforts for California American Water’s Monterey Peninsula Water Supply Project, a comprehensive initiative designed to ensure a long-term, sustainable water supply for the Monterey Peninsula region. The project includes a state-of-the-art, 6.4 million gallon per day (MGD) desalination plant that is currently undergoing permitting, with construction anticipated to begin in October 2025.

With a growing population and a changing climate, California faces significant water supply challenges. CalDesal is dedicated to educating policymakers and the public about the benefits of desalination, a proven technology that can turn ocean or brackish water into a reliable source of drinking water.

As a member of the CalDesal Executive Committee, Carothers will play a key role in shaping the association's advocacy efforts and advancing policies that promote desalination development throughout California.

About American Water

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About California American Water

California American Water, a subsidiary of American Water (NYSE: AWK), provides high-quality and reliable water and wastewater services to approximately 700,000 people.

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